~MALLUCHI (28) (Mal'lu-chi)

- A priestly family whose representative served in the days of High Priest Joiakim, and in the days of Ezra and Governor Nehemiah.
- And in the days of Joiakim there happened to be priests, the heads of the paternal houses, for Seraiah, Meraiah, for Jeremiah, Hananiah. (Nehemiah 12:12)
- For Malluchi, Jonathan, for Shebaniah, Joseph. (Nehemiah 12:14)
- These were in the days of Joiakim the son of Jozadak and in the days of Nehemiah the governor and Ezra the priest, the copyist. (Nehemiah 12:26)
- The name Malluchi is in the Masoretic text with the kere, or marginal notation, that it should be read as, Melicu, which latter form is found in the King James Version.
- The Greek Septuagint reads, Malluch, which some scholars think was the original form. These scholars suggest, but there is no way of proving it, that the adding of *i yohdh* in Hebrew at the end of the name came about when the first letter of the following word was unintentionally repeated in manuscript copying