~PUAH 2 (39)
(Pu'ah)[Hebrew, *pu- `ah'*]

·   A Hebrew midwife who, together with midwife Shiphrah, was commanded by Pharaoh to kill all male babies born to the Hebrews. However, because she feared God, she preserved the baby boys alive and was blessed by Yehowah with a family of her own.

·   Later on the king of Egypt said to the Hebrew midwives, the name of one of whom was Shiphrah and the name of the other **Puah**. (Exodus 1:15)

·   Yes, he went so far as to say; When you help the Hebrew women to give birth and you do see them on the stool for childbirth, if it is a son, you must also put it to death, but if it is a daughter, it must also live. (Exodus 1:16)

·   However, the midwives feared the true God, and they did not do as the king of Egypt had spoken to them, but they would preserve the male children alive. (Exodus 1:17)

·   In time the king of Egypt called the midwives and said to them; Why is it you have done this thing, in that you preserved the male children alive? (Exodus 1:18)

·   In turn the midwives said to Pharaoh; Because the Hebrew women are not like the Egyptian women. Because they are lively, they have already given birth before the midwife can come in to them. (Exodus 1:19)

·   So God dealt well with the midwives, and the people kept growing more numerous and becoming very mighty. (Exodus 1:20)

·   And it came about that because the midwives had feared the true God he later presented them with families. (Exodus 1:21)