

## SCHEDULE

שבת קדש

Mincha & Candles Erev Shabbos	<b>5:15 PM</b>
Daf Yomi	<b>7:30 AM</b>
Shacharis-Followed by Kiddush	<b>8:30 AM</b>
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Mincha	2:15 PM
Mincha - Followed by Shalosh Seudos	5:15 PM
Maariv -	6:25 PM
Avos U'Banim	7:15 PM

### Weekday Minyanim & Shiurim

#### Sunday

Shacharis I	6:50 AM
Daf Yomi- By R' Teichman	7:30 AM
Shacharis II	8:30 AM
Mincha / Maariv	5:25 PM

#### Monday - Friday

Daf Yomi- By R' Teichman	5:45 AM
Shacharis: Monday, Thursday	6:40 AM
Tues., Wed., Fri	6:45 AM
Mincha (Mon-Fri)	1:45 PM
Daf Yomi -Take II (Mon-Thurs.)	9:00 PM
Maariv (Mon.-Th)	9:45 PM

### GROUND BREAKING THIS SUNDAY!!

*Rain, Snow, or Shine!!*

**UPDATE:** As we count down the moments to our groundbreaking ceremony we want to encourage everyone to brave the cold and make every effort to attend this special occasion. The event will take place in a walled tent and the program will be slightly abbreviated because 2810 Smith is not quite ready for the Shul to move in to, so the portion of the program involving dancing the Torahs to the new Shul location will not take place. So please joining us, it wont be the same without you! FYI, Although its not 100% confirmed, there is a strong likelihood that by next Shabbos we will be Davening in 2810 Smith and construction will be underway!!

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## RABBI'S MESSAGE

### The Men in White Coats

Having just returned from a whirlwind tour of the Holy Land, in addition to the usual jet lag that tends to dampen the adrenalin high of a trip of this sort, there is also the inevitable "reality check" that sets in.

We were privileged to nourish our souls and spirits as we heard warm words of encouragement and guidance from the inspired Tolna Rebbe; HaRav Yitzchok Scheiner, the venerable Rosh Ha Yeshiva of Kamintez Yeshiva in Yerushalayim; HaRav Asher Weiss, the brilliant Gaon, author and educator; Rabbi Moti Berger, the masterful presenter of Aish HaTorah fame, among others.

We walked on the very mountains our ancestors in the time of the Patriarchs and the Prophets traversed, as our tour guide emotionally and dramatically read the appropriate verses suited to each historical site, vividly reenacting the thrilling moments of our remarkable history and destiny.

We alighted upon retrieved Jewish property, deep in the Moslem quarter that now houses a thriving Yeshiva that was literally dug out with the students own hands. It is ironically situated directly above the teeming Arab *shuk* right beneath our feet, and looks out upon the Temple Mount, directly opposite where the Holy of Holies stood. We cried over the anguish of the loss of our Temple but we laughed that the prophecy of return was panning out right before our eyes.

We visited the famed Zilberman Cheder where children happily attend school 364 days a year! We were blown away by the exuberance and joy these children displayed as they recited with the *taamim* verses from Tanach effortlessly and *mishnayos* randomly. We also noticed a Down syndrome child integrated comfortably into one of the classes, exhibiting the same joy his classmates displayed.

After observing this exalted level of spirituality one tends to feel inconsequential and inferior. This feeling often leads to a sense of defeatism and subsequent apathy.

How does one transform inspiration into purposeful action when our lives see so far removed from these spiritual giants?

At the end of our portion after the Torah concludes with the details of the Priestly vestments, we are told about the seven day Inauguration ritual that would conclude on the eighth day with the consecration of Aharon and his sons as Kohanim to serve exclusively in the Tabernacle and Temple.

Strangely though, we are taught that during these seven days of Inauguration only Moshe served and only upon the eighth day did Aharon assume his full role. Additionally we are told that each day Moshe assembled and subsequently disassembled the Tabernacle. It was only on the eighth day that the Tabernacle was erected permanently.

The Talmud (ע"י ל"א. תענית י"א) records a discussion among the inhabitants of the town of Ginzak and Rabbi Akiva. They inquired of Rabbi Akiva, that as Moshe was not a Kohen and thus not permitted to wear the Priestly vestments, what then did he do while performing the service during these seven days?

The Talmud reports that they initially asked two other questions as well.

Firstly, if someone finds oneself unintentionally "fasting", not having eaten from the onset of the day yet, can one spontaneously continue to fast the rest of the day for the sake of fasting, and recite the special prayer of Aneinu that is inserted on a fast days?

Secondly, they posed the following question: Is a jug that has been used to store wine of non-Jews forbidden for usage?

In each of the inquiries Rabbi Akiva was seemingly baffled and didn't respond. He entered the Study Hall and presented the issues to the local scholars. They responded to the first issue that a spontaneous fast is indeed a valid one. To the second matter they answered that the jug is permitted for use after twelve months. As far as to what Moshe wore, they replied that Moshe wore a white linen robe, and Rabbi Kahana added that it was a garment without a hem.

Is there a connection between these random questions? Was Rabbi Akiva unable to answer on his own?

Perhaps the people of Ginzak found themselves in a similar predicament.

They wondered can one spontaneously change effectively? Can one, after living life without thought, transform that into something meaningful?

As a jug of wine that has absorbed the prohibited wine of the non-Jews, can a people who have been exposed to negative influences rid themselves of impurity?

How was Moshe, who was shunned from serving as a Priest because of his reluctance and hesitance to accept the role of leading the Jews out of Egypt, able to serve in the Tabernacle?

What they were really wanted to know, (because as far as Moshe was concerned it was irrelevant since what Moshe wore was already done never to be repeated,) was how could they who were simple folk achieve what they were unworthy of?

By going to the local Study Hall, Rabbi Akiva sought to teach them that the answer lies in their own backyard. Yes, one can suddenly change. Yes, one can slough off the impurities one has been exposed to.

The lesson of the inauguration of the Tabernacle with Moshe's serving was instructive.

Even a simple white, uncolorful garment, can serve with dignity. The lack of a hem indicates something unfinished and incomplete. A person doesn't necessarily have to be a Rebbe, a Rosh Ha Yeshiva, a Rav or Scholar to achieve greatness.

One merely has to try. One has to set himself fully to that which he is capable of.

Perhaps the lack of hem also symbolizes the need and acknowledgement to improve and finish off our garment.

What we must take away from our encounters with greatness is the notion that if each one of us devotes ourselves fully to that which we can do, we too will experience the thrill of "serving" G-d, in the Tabernacle of our lives.

Moshe constructed and deconstructed daily the Tabernacle.

This teaches us that the long history of our great nation's success is contingent on realizing that it is in the accumulation of our continuing to push ourselves to the task at hand, even when at times it is disrupted by failures.

No one ever became great overnight nor without having stumbled. We can all rebuild ourselves.

May we succeed in being inspired to greatness and never faltering or being discouraged in the conquest of that goal!

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**Murray Friedman on the Yartzheit**  
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**And to his parents**  
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