

SHABBAT MATTERS

Friday, July 21 7:00 pm Mincha / Maariv Sanctuary 8:34 pm Candles (earliest 7:20 pm)	Shabbat, July 22 7:30 am Hashkama Minyan - Beit Midrash: Rabbi Bergman 8:10 am Chumash-Rashi: Melech Halberstadt Classroom 106 9:00 am Shacharit - Sanctuary: Rabbi Taylor 9:00 am Shacharit - Sisterhood Hall 9:30 am Shacharit - Beit Midrash 10-11 am Youth Programs - Snapology: Lower Level Social Halls (regular groups in the classrooms will not be taking place) Recite Shema before 9:39 am	11:15 am Kiddush* - Banquet Hall for Sanctuary and Sisterhood Minyanim 11:30 am Shiur with Prof. Novak - Beit Midrash Emunah Shabbat: Shiur with Rebecca Rotenberg Nadler - Banquet Hall 7:35 pm Pre-Mincha Shiur: Rabbi Taylor 8:20 pm Mincha - Sanctuary 8:40 pm Seudah Shlishit* - Sisterhood Hall: Rabbi Bergman 9:37 pm Maariv / Shabbat Ends *Pareve from dairy kitchen	Torah Reading: Devarim 1:1 - 3:22 Hertz P. 736 Stone P. 938	Haftorah: Yeshayahu 1:1 - 1:27 Hertz P. 750 Stone P. 1195
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TODAH RABAH to our sponsors: RABBI TAYLOR'S TORAH FOR YOUR LIFE:

Mardi & Haim Hirshberg in commemoration of the yahrzeit of Mardi's parents, Freda ^{2"} & Murray Cornish ^{2"}

REBBETZIN EMMA TAYLOR'S MEANINGFUL MOMENT:

Paula & Arnie Dubrow in commemoration of the yahrzeit of Paula's mother, Rae Chananie-Zuckerman z^r

Susan Young in commemoration of the yahrzeit of her father, Mordechai Mezei z"

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Arnie Closner in commemoration of the yahrzeit of his father, Samuel Joshua Closner ^{2"}

WEEKLY MATTERS:

Marcy Ages in commemoration of the yahrzeit of her sister, Sharon Goldberg z^{rl}

KIDDUSH:

Janice & Stephen Halpern in honour of the Brit of their grandson, Ori Mordechai Jemmie & Neil Silver (Calgary) in appreciation of the kindness extended to them during their stay

HASHKAMA KIDDUSH:

The Burger Family in loving memory of Ruth Brand z", aunt of Alan Burger, and mother of Estelle Brown and Hannah Rosenberg z", all of London, England, and also in loving memory of cousin John Hanauer z", a Kinder Transport child, of Kfar Saba, Israel

Wishing Benji & Devora Pister and Ira & Rachel Povitz mazal and brachot in their new homes

9:30 AM MINYAN KIDDUSH:

Sarah Brown & Steven Strauss in honour of Elijah's 5th birthday

The Lechtman Family in honour of Tamar's birthday and Nathan's 3rd birthday

CHUMASH DONATION:

Ala Gamulka and Family in commemoration of the yahrzeit of Ala's husband, Larry Gamulka z"

SIDDUR DONATION:

Ruth & les van Messel in commemoration of the yahrzeit of Ruth's mother, Jennie Promislow ^{z¬}

TISHA B'AV SCHEDULE

Wednesday, July 26 - Erev Tisha B'Av		8:30 am	Shacharit & Explanatory Kinot - Sanctuary
8:35 pm Mincha - Sanctuary & Zoom		11am-7pn	n Torah in Motion Tisha B'Av Program
8:47 pm	Fast Begins		Zoom (see details below)
	Followed by Maariv, Eicha & Kinot	2:30 pm	Early Mincha - Sanctuary & Zoom
	Sanctuary & Zoom	3:30 pm	BMZD Tishah b'Av: A Matter of Trust with
8:45 pm	(approx.) Women's Megillat Eicha Reading		Rabbi Torczyner - Zoom (see details below)
	Beit Midrash & Zoom (see details below)	8:15 pm	Mincha - Sanctuary & Zoom
Thursday, July 27 - Tisha B'Av		9:05 pm	Maariv - Sanctuary & Zoom
6:15 am	Gemara Shiur - Sanctuary & Zoom	9:28 pm	Fast Ends
7:00 am	Shacharit & Kinot - Sanctuary & Zoom		

MAZAL TOV AND OTHER MEMBERS MATTERS

Mazal Tov to **Janice & Stephen Halpern** and Richard & Barbara Litt of New York on the Brit of their grandson, Ori Mordechai, born to Moshe & Danielle Halpern in Be'er Sheva. Excited siblings are Aya, Michael and Leora.

UPCOMING SHIURIM & PROGRAMS

Along with the services and programs in the shul building, weekday services and programs will continue on Zoom. To obtain the access information, please email info@shomayim.org.

- Shabbat, July 22, 5:00 pm Emunah Shabbat: Emunah Canada in partnership with Shaarei Shomayim present a Shiur and Dessert Reception with Rebecca Rotenberg Nadler. At Shaarei Shomayim.
- Monday, July 24, 9:30 am Megillat Eicha Series with Rabbi Bergman. On Zoom.
- Mondays, 1:45-3:30 pm beginning July 24 **Games Afternoon** in the Main Lobby. \$2 at the door. For registration and information please contact the shul office.
- Tuesdays, 10:30 am The Walkie Talkies with Rabbi Bergman. In person.
- Wednesday, July 26, 8:45 pm (approx.) **Women's Megillat Eicha Reading**. Beit Midrash and on Zoom.
- Thursday, July 27, 11:00 am-7:00 pm Torah in Motion Tisha B'Av Program: A day of learning and reflection on Zoom. For details and registration please go to https://torahinmotion.org/programs/e-tim-tisha-bav-2023.
- Thursday, July 27, 3:30 pm BMZD Tishah b'Av: A Matter of Trust with Rabbi Torczyner. On Zoom. Register at https://torontotorah.com/trust/.
- Shabbat, July 29 Rabbi Sammy Bergman and the Bergman Family Farewell Shabbat.
 To co sponsor the special farewell Kiddush and Seudah Shlishit please go to https://www.shomayim.org/form/bergmanfarewell.

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TORAH MATTERS:					
DATE	DAVENIN	IG TIMES: IN PERSON & ZOOM	SHIURIM	& PROGRAMS: IN PERSON AND / OR ZOOM	
Sunday, July 23 / 5 Av	8:30 am 7:00 pm	Shacharit Mincha / Maariv	7:45 am	Masechet Tamid Shiur (in person & Zoom)	
Monday, July 24 / 6 Av	7:10 am 7:00 pm	Shacharit Mincha / Maariv	6:30 am 9:30 am 1:00 pm	Masechet Tamid Shiur (in person & Zoom) Megillat Eicha Series with Rabbi Bergman (Zoom) Circle of Care Senior Exercise Class (in person)	
Tuesday, July 25 / 7 Av	7:15 am 7:00 pm	Shacharit Mincha / Maariv	6:30 am 10:30 am	Masechet Tamid Shiur (in person & Zoom) Walkie Talkies with Rabbi Bergman (in person)	
Wednesday, July 26 / 8 Av Erev Tisha B'Av - see full schedule on p. 1	7:15 am	Shacharit	6:30 am 1:00 pm	Masechet Tamid Shiur (in person & Zoom) Circle of Care Senior Exercise Class (in person)	
Thursday, July 27 / 9 Av Tisha B'Av - see full schedule on p. 1					
Friday, July 28 / 10 Av	7:15 am 7:00 pm 8:27 pm	Shacharit Mincha / Maariv Candles (earliest 7:14 pm)	6:30 am	Masechet Tamid Shiur (in person & Zoom)	

Kriyat Shema should be repeated after 9:36 pm this week.

PARSHA MATTERS - by Rabbi Sammy Bergman

SMALL ACT, BIG IMPACT

Good leadership requires taking responsibility for one's own actions. People hate to accept blame for the problems they actually helped to cause, let alone for harm they had nothing to do with. Yet at first glance, Moshe Rabbeinu, the paradigmatic Jewish leader, seems to unfairly blame the Jewish people for his unfortunate fate. In our Torah reading this week, Moshe recounts *Chait Hameraglim*, the sin of the scouts who slandered the Land of Israel, and the nation's lack of faith in Hashem's ability to bring them to the Promised Land. Strikingly, in that context Moshe says:

גַם־בִּיֹ הִתָאַנַף ה' בִּגַלַלְכֶם לֵאמֶר גַּם־אַתָּה לֹא־תָבַא שֶׁם:

Because of you Hashem was incensed with me too, saying: You shall not enter it either. (Devarim 1:37)

Moshe indicates with this statement that he was condemned to never enter the land of the Israel as part of the fallout of *Chait Hameraglim*. However, the Or HaChayim HaKadosh pointed out that we never see any evidence for Moshe's claim. Rather, Hashem tells Moshe numerous times that his behaviour at *Mei Merivah*, the episode at the waters of consternation, caused his unfortunate fate of dying in the desert. Why then does Moshe attribute his punishment to the episode of the spies? Why does he ascribe undeserved blame to the Jewish people?

The Or HaChayim suggests a creative, ambitious, and powerful answer. He strings together three statements of Chazal. First, he quotes the Gemara in Taanit 29a which states that Bnei Yisrael's egregious crying upon the report of the *meraglim* which took place on the 9th of Av established the day eternally as a day of crying, culminating in the destruction of our two *Batei Mikdashot*. Second, he quotes the Gemara in Sota 9a which states that if Moshe Rabbeinu had entered the land of Israel and built the Beit HaMikdash, the building would have been so powerful that no foreign nation could have destroyed it. Finally, he quotes the Midrash on Tehillim 79 which in reference to the destruction of the Beit HaMikdash begins with "*Mizmor*" connoting praise to Hashem. The Midrash explains that the Temple's destruction was praiseworthy in a sense because instead of annihilating the Jews entirely, Hashem poured at his wrath upon the wood and stones of the Temple.

Putting these three statements of the sages together, Or HaChayim explains that Moshe rightfully blamed the Jews' sinful nature on his inability to enter the Land of Israel. Due to the Jewish people's lack of faith during *Chait HaMeraglim*, Hashem understood that the Jews' sins in the future would deserve great punishment and that He needed the Beit HaMikdash to serve as the target of His wrath so that the Jewish nation would be spared destruction. However, Hashem also knew that if Moshe built the Beit HaMikdash, no nation could destroy it leaving the Jews themselves to bear the full brunt of the punishment. Therefore, from the time of the sin of the spies, Hashem already foresaw that Moshe could not have the opportunity to enter the land of Israel and build the Beit HaMikdash. Or HaChayim argues that the sin of *Mei Merivah* merely eliminated Moshe's opportunity to reverse Hashem's decree that the Beit HaMikdash would ultimately be destroyed.

Or HaChayim's approach highlights the incredible impact we can make. We never know the domino effect one small deed can cause. As we mourn on Tisha B'Av, we recount how according to the Gemara in Gittin 55b the devastating destruction stemmed from a number of much smaller decisions. But, let us also empower ourselves by considering the positive impact we can make even when we perform small mitzvot. We can never know the impact a smile, friendly hello, dvar Torah, or short prayer can have. Be'ezrat Hashem we can each take small steps to continue building the Beit HaMikdash brick by brick and see it descend from heaven speedily in our days.

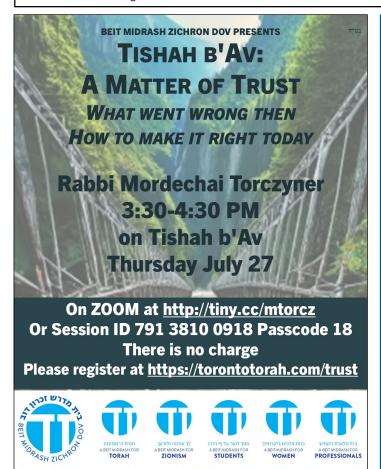
We are looking for HOME HOSTS from September 15 to 26 and CHAG MEAL HOSTS for CHAZZAN SHAI ABRAMSON AND HIS CHOIR. If you are interested in being a host, please contact Nicole at nicole@shomayim.org.



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CONDOLENCES

- Our sincere condolences to **Milla Tenenbaum**, David Tenenbaum, Leah Tenenbaum, Sally Tenenbaum-Rubin & Wolf Rubin, Rebecca Tenenbaum and families, on the loss of their husband, father, father-in-law and grandfather, **Mendel Tenenbaum** ^{z^vl}.
- Our sincere condolences to **Gilbert (Shayna) Miller**, Liza Miller, Brenda Miller Nahornick and families, on the loss of their mother, mother-in-law and grandmother, Sandra Miller ^{z"}!.
- Our sincere condolences to Ellen Spigelman, Todd Greenbloom, Michael Greenbloom & Elise Yanover, Susan Greenbloom and families, on the loss of their mother, mother-in-law, grandmother and great-grandmother, Bessie Greenbloom z^{*i}.

YAHRZEITS		
DATE	YAHRZEITS BEING OBSERVED	
Shabbat, July 22 / 4 Av	Sidney Bubb, father of Janis Ackerman Adele Friedman, mother of Louis Friedman David Gould, father of Ruth Podeswa	Samuel Maierovitz, father of Mendy Maierovitz Samuel Simmonds, father of Kitty Wintrob
Sunday, July 23 / 5 Av	Sharon Goldberg, sister of Marcy Ages Sandra Lato, sister of Elaine Platt and Joel Umansky	Lawrence Wynne, brother of Jack Weingust
Monday, July 24 / 6 Av	Nellie Lichaa, sister of Tito Massouda Mordechai Mezei, father of Susan Young	Sylvia Novak, mother of David Novak Passie Simmonds, mother of Kitty Wintrob
Tuesday, July 25 / 7 Av	David Buckstein, father of Michael Buckstein Harry Eklove, father of Arthur Eklove Larry Gamulka, husband of Ala Gamulka	Elisabeth Herskovits, mother of Cathy Hollinger Isadore Kaplan, father of Sheila Lazar
Wednesday, July 26 / 8 Av	Richard Bieler, husband of Michele Bieler	Jennie Promislow, mother of Miriam Katzin and Ruth van Messel
Thursday, July 27 / 9 Av	Benjamin Tennent, father of Edna Tennent	
Friday, July 28 / 10 Av	Samuel Joshua Closner, father of Arnie Closner	Freda Cornish, mother of Mardi Hirshberg

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Louis & Elly Friedman in commemoration of the yahrzeit of Louis's mother, Adele Friedman ^{z*1}

Tito & Viviane Massouda in commemoration of the yahrzeit of Tito's sister, Nellie Lichaa z"

Agnes Herczeg in commemoration of the yahrzeit of her husband, George Herczeg^{z*1} Michele Bieler in commemoration of the yahrzeit of her husband, Richard Bieler 2"

COMMUNITY MATTERS

- Thursday, Oct. 19, 7:30 pm The Association for the Soldiers of Israel-Canada & Canadian Zionist Cultural Association present **75 Years** of the IDF: An Evening Honouring the Soldiers of the IDF & Families. Meridian Arts Centre, 5040 Yonge St. Hosted by Tsahi Halevi, star of Fauda. Co-Chairs: Claire Glowinsky and Adina Toby. For tickets contact 416-783-3053, or events@asicanada.org.
- Oct. 23-30 Canadian Hadassah WIZO's Journey 4 Impact to Israel. Experience challenges with a purpose, create social impact and economic independence for women entrepreneurs. Register at https://chw.ca/journey-4-impact/.

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