

## SHABBAT MATTERS

### Friday, October 20

6:08 pm Candles  
(earliest 5:20 pm)  
6:15 pm Mincha /  
Maariv  
Sanctuary  
9:00 pm Women's  
Kumtitz  
Lower  
Level  
Social Hall

### Shabbat, October 21

7:30 am Hashkama Minyan - Beit Midrash  
8:10 am Chumash-Rashi: Melech Halberstadt  
Classroom 106  
9:00 am Shacharit - Sanctuary: Rabbi Taylor  
9:00 am Shacharit - Sisterhood: Rabbi Diamond  
9:30 am Shacharit - Beit Midrash: Rabbi Anstandig  
9:45 am Youth Programs - Classrooms  
9:45 am Teen Minyan - Lower Level Social Hall  
9:45 am Caffeine for the Soul: Rebbetzin Emma  
Taylor - Banquet Hall

### Recite Shema before 10:20 am

11:15 am Kiddush\* - Banquet Hall for both Sanctuary  
and Sisterhood minyanim  
11:30 am Shiur with Prof. Novak - Beit Midrash  
5:25 pm Pre-Mincha Shiur - Sanctuary:  
Rabbi Taylor  
5:55 pm Mincha - Sanctuary  
6:15 pm Seudah Shlishit\* - Banquet Hall:  
7:11 pm Maariv / Shabbat Ends  
\*Pareve from Dairy Kitchen

### Torah

**Reading:**  
*Bereshit*  
6:9 - 11:32  
Hertz P. 26  
Stone P. 30  
**Haftarah:**  
*Yeshayahu*  
54:1 - 55:5  
Hertz P. 41  
Stone P. 1131

## MAZAL TOV AND OTHER MEMBERS MATTERS

- Mazal Tov to **Jesse & Alexa Tepperman** on the birth of their daughter, **Sadie Beverly**. Excited brothers are **Billy** and **Dean**. Proud grandparents are Casey Tepperman and Noel & Andie Solomon. Elated great-grandmother is Rica Solomon.
- Mazal Tov to **Larry & Sarah Krauss** on the aufruf and the upcoming marriage of their son, **Noteh Krauss** to Alexandra Booth, daughter of Debbie and Howard Booth. Excited siblings, Hudi, Elisha and Aviya Krauss, and Mitchell Booth. Proud grandparents are Helen and Joseph Casse.

### TODAH RABAH to our sponsors:

#### KIDDUSH:

Jesse & Alexa Tepperman, Casey  
Tepperman, Noel & Andie Solomon in  
honour of the birth of their daughter and  
granddaughter, Sadie Beverly

Larry & Sarah Krauss in honour of the aufruf  
and the upcoming marriage of their son,  
Noteh

Ies & Ruth van Messel in commemoration of  
the yahrzeit of Ies's brother, Jacob van  
Messel <sup>z"l</sup>

#### HASHKAMA KIDDUSH:

Zvi Hazanovsky in honour of Bernie  
Kleinberg and Family

#### 9:30 AM MINYAN KIDDUSH:

Jesse & Alexa Tepperman, Casey  
Tepperman, Noel & Andie Solomon in  
honour of the birth of their daughter and  
granddaughter, Sadie Beverly

#### SEUDAH SHLISHIT:

David Socken & Gale Borison-Socken and  
Family in commemoration of the yahrzeit  
of Gale's mother, Sarah bat Betzalel  
haKohein <sup>z"l</sup> and David's father, Tzvi ben  
Yaakov HaKohein <sup>z"l</sup>; and in honour of  
Nadav Yaakov ben Sarah Chaya, an Israeli  
soldier (matched up through the Shmira  
Project)

#### PHILLIP WINTROB YOUTH FUND:

Erika Tannenbaum in commemoration of  
the yahrzeit of her father, Arnold Gottlieb <sup>z"l</sup>

Karen Pape in commemoration of the  
yahrzeit of her father, Kenneth John Pape <sup>z"l</sup>

#### CAFFEINE FOR THE SOUL:

Aimee & Jonathan Hass in commemoration  
of the yahrzeit of Aimee's father, Eugene  
Lewis Jurkowitz <sup>z"l</sup>

#### CHUMASH DONATION:

Marlene & Jack Brudner in commemoration  
of the yahrzeit of Marlene's mother,  
Florence Shainhouse <sup>z"l</sup>

## ISRAEL MATTERS

Am Yisrael has united, demonstrating our unwavering support for Israel during these challenging times. While our hearts go out to those on the front lines, the injured, and the families who have suffered losses, focus remains on those held hostage in Gaza. You may have observed the blue ribbons adorning the trees and railing in front of our building; these are meant to raise awareness about those in captivity. For more information, please visit <https://israelblueribbon.com/>.

As we emphasized last week, Shaarei Shomayim is directing financial assistance to the UJA Emergency Campaign. In addition to this, several other initiatives have been brought to our attention by our members. If you are interested in finding out more about these initiatives please contact [President@shomayim.org](mailto:President@shomayim.org), and we will provide you with a list. Please join the Jewish Community of Toronto for a gathering for **Tefillah and Tehillim**. It will be taking place on Sunday Oct. 22 at 5:40 pm at Bais Yaacov Elementary School - 15 Saranac Blvd.

## UPCOMING SHIURIM & PROGRAMS

Along with the services and programs in the shul building, weekday services and programs will continue on Zoom. Please email [info@shomayim.org](mailto:info@shomayim.org) for access information.

Wednesday, Oct 24, 7:30 pm - Your Mental Health in Times of Crisis. On Zoom. Drs. Leanne

- **Matlow, David Rosmarin & Barry Simon.**
- Mondays, 9:30 am - **Rabbi Taylor's Mishlei Shiur.** On Zoom.
- Mondays & Wednesdays, 1:00 pm - **Circle of Care Senior Exercise Class at Shaarei Shomayim.** To register contact Mila Robinson at [mrobinson@circleofcare.com](mailto:mrobinson@circleofcare.com).
- Monday, Oct. 23, 7:30 pm - **BMZD Medical Ethics and Halachah Series with Rabbi Mordechai Torczyner.** On Zoom. Register at <https://torontotorah.com/cme/>.
- Tuesdays, 10:30 am - **The Walkie Talkies.** Outdoors (if raining - Banquet Hall).
- Tuesday, Oct. 24, 2:00 pm - **The Posthumous Landscape III: Jewish Historical Sites in Ukraine Exhibit by Photographer David Kaufman.** Reuben & Helene Dennis Museum, Beth Tzedec, 1700 Bathurst St. Register at <https://www.shomayim.org/form/kaufman>.
- Tuesdays, 8:00 pm - **Rabbi Diamond's Parshat Hashavua Shiur.** On Zoom.
- Wednesdays, 9:00 pm - **Rabbi Taylor's Mishna Berura Shiur.** In person.
- Thursdays, 9:00 am - **Coffee Klatch with Rabbi Taylor.** On Zoom.
- Tuesday, Oct. 31, 1:00 pm - **Book Club: Tina Urman - "Hello Beautiful" by Ann Napolitano.** Register at <https://www.shomayim.org/form/bookcluboct23>.

## TORAH MATTERS:

DATE	DAVENING TIMES: IN PERSON & ZOOM	SHIURIM & PROGRAMS: IN PERSON AND / OR ZOOM
Sunday, October 22 / 7 Cheshvan	8:30 am Shacharit 6:05 pm Mincha / Maariv	7:45 am Masechet Me'ila Shiur (in person & Zoom)
Monday, October 23 / 8 Cheshvan	7:10 am Shacharit 6:05 pm Mincha / Maariv	6:30 am Masechet Me'ila Shiur (in person & Zoom) 9:30 am Rabbi Taylor's Mishlei Shiur (Zoom) 1:00 pm Circle of Care Senior Exercise Class
Tuesday, October 24 / 9 Cheshvan	7:15 am Shacharit 6:05 pm Mincha / Maariv	6:30 am Masechet Me'ila Shiur (in person & Zoom) 9:30 am Dr. Shoshana Zolty's Class (Zoom, by registration) 10:30 am Walkie Talkies (outdoors; if raining - Banquet Hall) 2:00 pm Jewish Historical Sites in Ukraine Exhibit, Beth Tzedec Museum (by registration) 8:00 pm Rabbi Diamond's Parshat Hashavua Shiur (Zoom)
Wednesday, October 25 / 10 Cheshvan	7:15 am Shacharit 6:05 pm Mincha / Maariv	6:30 am Masechet Me'ila Shiur (in person & Zoom) 1:00 pm Circle of Care Senior Exercise Class 9:00 pm Rabbi Taylor's Mishna Berura Shiur
Thursday, October 26 / 11 Cheshvan	7:10 am Shacharit 6:05 pm Mincha / Maariv	6:30 am Masechet Me'ila Shiur (in person & Zoom) 9:00 am Coffee Klatch with Rabbi Taylor (Zoom)
Friday, October 27 / 12 Cheshvan	7:15 am Shacharit 5:57 pm Candles (earliest 5:11 pm) 6:05 pm Mincha / Maariv	6:30 am Masechet Me'ila Shiur (in person & Zoom)

Kriyat Shema should be repeated after 7:09 pm this week.

## PARSHA MATTERS - by Rabbi Jared Anstandig

### MOSHE OR NOACH?

Obviously, we are in no position to evaluate and compare Biblical Heroes. Both Noach and Moshe enjoyed a deep relationship with the divine that far exceeds our wildest dreams. Nonetheless, Rabbi Meir Simcha HaKohen Dvinsk (Parashat Noach, 24) explores the differences between these two individuals and highlights an important distinction.

He notes that there are two methods of serving Hashem:

מי שמיידח עצמו לעבודתו יתברך ומתבודד  
One who dedicates oneself to the service of God and isolates

יש מי שעוסק בצרכי צבור ומבטל עצמו בשביל הכלל  
And there is one who engages in the needs of the community and nullifies oneself for the group

One would think, the Meshech Chochma writes, that the one who isolates, who separates from the community and devotes all his or her time to God, surely would reach a higher level. Indeed, in many religions, the isolated monk represents the highest levels of piety and sanctity.

However, when we look to the Text of the Torah, we find the reverse. Moshe began his life being referred to as an "איש מצרי," an Egyptian man" (Shemot 2:19). Over time, as Moshe worked on behalf of Bnei Yisrael, he transformed himself into an "איש האלוקים," a man of God" (Devarim 33:1). Noach, on the other hand, began his life as an "איש צדיק" a righteous man" (Bereshit 6:9). But, through his isolation from the world and selfish focus on himself and building his ark, ultimately reduced himself to an "איש האדמה" a man of the earth" (Bereshit 9:20). The ideal, Meshech Chochma concludes, is to be like Moshe - to be of service to others, as opposed to oneself.

Of course, self-care is essential; one cannot pour from an empty vessel. There is an appropriate time and place for self-focus. Still, the Torah makes clear with its descriptions of Noach and Moshe that the greatest actions we can do are for the sake of others and for our community.

We are currently surrounded by initiatives that allow us to give of our time, energy, and resources, for the collective good of our community, on a local level and on a global one. May we be able to use our talents and abilities to serve others and, like Moshe, to achieve the appellation of "Men and Women of God."

### YOUTH and TEEN UPDATE | [rich@shomayim.org](mailto:rich@shomayim.org) LETTERS TO CHAYALIM - Soldiers in Israel

We ask that all Children and Teens write a letter to our *chayalim*. We have been told that these letters truly bring smiles to their faces. These can be drawings, letters of support, letters of love, photographs etc. We will forward them to Israel where they will be distributed to our brothers and sisters in the IDF. Please send either by WhatsApp to 647-278-2284 or by email: [rich@shomayim.org](mailto:rich@shomayim.org). Am Yisrael Chai!

#### Watch your email for details on these upcoming events:

Teen Girls Melaveh Malkah • Youth Floor Hockey League • High School Leadership Program • Family Learning Program • Youth Shabbat Lunch - Learn - Laugh • Teen Oneg • Toronto Marlies Game • Family Chess Project • LIGHT NIGHT - Chanukah Bingo Event • Family Dinner and Oneg.

To sponsor a Youth or Teen Program, please contact Rich.

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# Caffeine FOR THE SOUL

With Rebbetzin Emma Taylor

SHABBAT | OCT. 21, 2023

9:45 AM

Banquet Hall



Please join  
Rebbetzin  
Emma Taylor  
for coffee and  
inspiration on  
Shabbat,  
Oct. 21 in the  
Banquet Hall

Sponsored by Aimee Hass in commemoration of the  
yahrzeit of her father, Eugene Lewis Jurkowitz z"l

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# BOOK CLUB

We are pleased to announce our new Book Club!

Talks will be held at 1:00-2:30 pm in the shul on:

Tuesday October 31 | Tina Urman

*Hello Beautiful* by Ann Napolitano

Wednesday November 15 | Dr. Harriet Morris

*Diary of Anne Frank* from a very different perspective

Thursday November 30 | Dr. Ruby Newman

*Jerusalem Beach* by Iddo Gefen

Tuesday March 5 | Ralph Wintrob

*The Tunnel* by A. B. Yehoshua

Tuesday April 2 | Dr. Janna Nadler

*Brotherless Night* by V. V. Ganeshanathan

Monday June 3 | Dr. Sara Horowitz

Book TBA

Cost per session:

Member \$10/person | Non-Member \$20/person

Register for the October 31 session at

<https://www.shomayim.org/form/bookcluboct23>

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## SCHOLAR IN RESIDENCE RABBI DR. B. BARRY LEVY

SHABBAT PARASHAT VA-YERA | NOVEMBER 4, 2023



Friday Night Shiur  
"Polygamy in Sefer Bereshit"

Shabbat Morning Post-Mussaf Drasha  
"A Traditionalist Confronts  
Contemporary Bible Criticism:  
A Close Look at Parashat Va-yera"

Pre-Mincha Shiur  
"More about the Parasha"

Seudah Shlishit Talk  
"Torah Study: A Quest for Relevance  
or Peshat?"

Rabbi Dr. B. Barry Levy began teaching Bible, Hebrew, and cognate subjects at Erna Michael College of Yeshiva University in 1969 at the age of 24. He received semicha from YU in 1971, and he completed his PhD at NYU in Ancient Near-Eastern Languages in 1974 with an analysis of a unique Vatican manuscript of the Palestinian Targum, Neofiti 1. As Ba'al Koreh he has memorized much of the Torah text. **Professor at McGill University from 1975 until retirement in 2017**, Levy taught more than 50 different courses in three faculties, chaired the Jewish Studies Department, was **Dean of the Religious Studies Faculty**, and **directed the Jewish Teacher Training Program**. He has lectured all over the world. Levy is the author of *Planets, Potions and Parchments*, *Fixing God's Torah: The Accuracy of the Bible Text in Jewish Law* and the forthcoming *Jewish Masters of the Sacred Page, a History of the Miqra'ot Gedolot*.



Rabbi Dr. Levy's detailed Resume

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The Nusbaum Family Medical Ethics and Halacha Program,  
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## MEDICAL ETHICS 5784

with Rabbi Mordechai Torczyner

On **ZOOM** at <http://tiny.cc/mtethics>

All classes are on Monday evenings, for 90 minutes

7:30 PM Monday Oct. 23, 2023

Ozempic, Wegovy and the  
New Wave of Weight Loss Treatments

7:30 PM Dec. 4, 2023

Halachic Dimensions of Dementia

7:30 PM Feb. 12, 2024

Managing Conflicts of Interest in Practice

8:00 PM April 8, 2024

Updating the Determination of the Moment of Death

7:00 PM June 24, 2024

Genetic Screening and Intervention

Registration at <https://torontotorah.com/cme> before each session.

Men and women welcome. No charge. Open to non-professionals.

No advanced Jewish knowledge needed.

Information: [info@torontotorah.com](mailto:info@torontotorah.com).

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# Yahrzeits

## DATE

## Yahrzeits Being Observed

Shabbat, October 21 / 6 Cheshvan	John D. Fienberg, father of Barry Fienberg and Stanley Fienberg Bess Fyman, mother of Dale Fyman	Jacob van Messel, brother of Ies van Messel
Sunday, October 22 / 7 Cheshvan	Samuel Hershenhorn, brother of Yetta Goodman Sorrell Koven, father of Randall Craig Nathan Krauss, father of Larry Krauss	Florence Shainhouse, mother of Marlene Brudner Frida Wachtel, mother of Susyn Smith
Monday, October 23 / 8 Cheshvan	Oscar Berger, father of Maryka Weisz John Craig, father of Randall Craig David Melvin Ellenzweig, father of Lonni Zeifman	Rita Jacobson, mother of Pam Rosmarin Aaron Lowenstein, father of Marjorie Gann Frances Slavens, mother of Eric Slavens and James Slavens
Tuesday, October 24 / 9 Cheshvan	Antje van Messel, mother of Ies van Messel	
Wednesday, October 25 / 10 Cheshvan	Menachem Mendel Malatzky, father of Aurelia Ostro Irene Tucker, mother of Michele Bieler	Benny Wine, father of Yetta Brenman
Thursday, October 26 / 11 Cheshvan	William Kleinert, father of Renee Solursh	Isaac Tward, father of Esther Petroff
Friday, October 27 / 12 Cheshvan	Arnold Gottlieb, father of Erika Tannenbaum Pearl Gould, mother of Ruth Podeswa	Kenneth John Pape, father of Karen Pape

### TODAH RABAH to our sponsors for Yahrzeit Commemorations:

Nicole & Jeff Toledano in commemoration of the yahrzeit of their adopted memory, Hena Kerp <sup>z"l</sup>

Michele Bieler in commemoration of the yahrzeit of her mother, Irene Tucker <sup>z"l</sup>

Stephen & Linda Offenheim in commemoration of the yahrzeit of Stephen's father, Harold Offenheim <sup>z"l</sup>

## Community Matters

- **Do you know a young woman who has been touched by cancer?** NCJWC Toronto is launching a new project to provide a social and recreational outlet for younger women (20+) who have been diagnosed with cancer and have been treated or are currently being treated. For more information contact [rgofine@ncjwctoronto.org](mailto:rgofine@ncjwctoronto.org).
- **NCSY Canada is looking for Post Yeshiva and Seminary students volunteers** who can be positive role models for Jewish Teens. Roles include leading small *chabura* groups during weekly learning program; being a mentor on Shabbatons; and leading summer trips to Israel and around North America. NCSY offers a variety of programs that are both co-ed and single gendered. Apply at <http://advisors.ncsy.org> or email Stella Osiel at [Osiels@ncsy.org](mailto:Osiels@ncsy.org).
- **ArtScroll Free Tehillim Download in order to facilitate meaningful prayers for Israel and the Chayalim.** Go to <https://www.artscroll.com/itehillim.html>.
- **Oct. 26, 7:30 pm - The Great Toronto Pink Challah Bake & Concert.** In honour of Breast Cancer Awareness Month. Register at <http://www.jewishtw.org/pinkchallah>. 83 Green Ln. Thornhill.

## Refuah Shleimah

Eliyahu ben Ryejah, Yehuda Yoseif ben Miriam Yocheved (Jerry Genesove), Eliyahu ben Ruth, Minah Tzurel bat Ita, Elyakum Zev ben Leeah, Moshe ben Malka, Yekutiel ben Sara, Ronitte Dvora bat Esther, Hinda Rivka bat Mindel Esther, Tova Rachel bat Elka Tema, Yehoshua Tzvi ben Sara, Baruch Bendit ben Chana Gittel, Elana Chana bat Gila Brynlah, Shaul Efraim ben Hendl, Leah Adi bat Miriam Gitel, Brachah bat Gitl, Eliyahu Yom Tov ben Leah, Aryeh ben Tzipporah, Israel Binyamin ben Telma, Yehuda ben Chana, Levi David ben Elisheva Leba, Aron Shimon ben Faigi Chana, Emily Yael bat Naomi Gittel, Tova Sara bat Chana Rivka, Devora Malka Raizel bat Rut Chana, Eliyahu ben Clara, Rivka bat Chana Hentcha, Rivka Tzippora bat Chana Gittel, Moshe Mordechai ben Basha, Mordechai Ron ben Rachel, Yosef ben Esther, Chaim Shmuel ben Dina, Shimon ben Esther, Rifka Malka bat Liba, Frimet Ita bat Feiga Perl, Davida Leiba bat Bracha Rut, Pesach Shlomoh ben Leah, Aharon Leib ben Tzipora, Adi bat Francis, Lieba Rivka bat Chaya Reizel, Roochel Beila bat Chaya, Neshama bat Luba, Malka Beila bat Golda, Tzvi Moshe ben Yeshaya, Yaakov Zvi ben Chaya Baila, Binyamin Uriel ben Sarah, Tzvi Mair Yisehar ben Sorola.

Rabbi Sam Taylor, Senior Rabbi

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Rabbi Chaim Freund, Chazzan

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