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A MESSAGE FROM YOUR PRESIDENT...

25 Tamuz, 5783
July 14, 2023



Vicki Lewis

I hope all of you are having a wonderful summer. Summer reminds me of family. **Rabbi Lewis** is studying and traveling in Israel and will be joined by **Jen and Eden**. We have been staying at the river, and traveling intermittently, visiting our children and grandchildren in Florida, Alabama, and Ohio. We have had cousins come visit from Atlanta and Detroit. We have a family vacation at the end of this month with four of our five kids and their families. We have the Bar Mitzvah of a cousin in Atlanta at the end of August, and Art's sister from Boston will be visiting over Labor Day weekend.



Growing up, my summers always included long car trips to Pittsburgh or Chicago to visit family. We would stay a couple of weeks, play with cousins, and really deepened relationships that continue to flourish today. I couldn't believe so many Jewish people lived in each neighborhood I visited.

Living in Birmingham, where the Jewish population was smaller, I had a different sense of belonging than in each of those larger cities. Synagogues and Shuls seemed to be everywhere and within walking distance in Chicago. Just the opposite of Birmingham, where there was one synagogue representing each branch of Judaism, similar to what exists in Chattanooga today; and churches were within walking distance everywhere in Birmingham.

I went to Jewish day camp at Michiana Shores, where numerous families had summer houses, and everyone around seemed to be Jewish. I went to Jewish day camp in Birmingham as well, and that continued to reinforce my love of being Jewish. Both camps created friendships that exist today.

Life was so different in the 1950's. Jews were not allowed to live in certain areas, so my friends and I lived relatively close to one another. High school sororities and fraternities did not allow Jewish members. I did not have non-Jewish friends. My parents did not have non-Jewish friends. Few, if any, teenagers dated non-Jews, and few married non-Jews.

That doesn't seem to be the case in today's world. So many of the changes are welcome. We have friends from many different walks of life and religious affiliations. Our world has expanded. However, I need my connection to Judaism, and I hope you do as well. I love the idea of questioning. I feel that our connection to our history continues, and I do not want that to end. I love that Rosh Hashanah brings back the Jewish memories of my parents, aunts and uncles and extended family getting together.

Here, in Chattanooga, I only have my husband, two daughters, and one grandson. But I do have my Mizpah family. And I think a congregational family is very special. I have developed close relationships with congregants of all generations. I thank you for recreating the feeling of family nearby. I believe we have a number of members who feel as I do.

So, as I finish my message, I hope you have a wonderful summer, filled with family and friends. And come see your Mizpah family at one of the many activities, services, and events coming up.

L'dor va dor!

From generation to generation!

Vicki

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

Pride Festival: Sunday, October 8, 2023 1 - 6 pm
Mizpah Social Action Booth
Details upcoming in future communications. Please stay tuned!

Music at Mizpah Concert: Sunday, November 5, 2023 3:00 pm

A MESSAGE FROM YOUR RABBI...

Welcome to August. This is the month that finds rabbis asking themselves as the High Holy Days approach, “Whatever shall I say?” However, I do believe what I will say is far less important than what you will say.

I do not say this to discount the value of the messages from the bimah, but the holidays do not exist for the rabbis. The holidays are for the people. At best, my words can stir a feeling, feed your knowledge, or inspire you toward a good path; every single one of us has a message. The challenge for the month of Elul - which begins the evening of August 17th and lasts until Rosh Hashanah on the 15th of September – is in our search for that message. And to be clear: the message I encourage us to find is not the one we will say to each other, the obligatory “L’shanah tovah” or even heartfelt confessions.

The message I am writing about is the source of all messages we will speak during the holidays: the message we need to say to ourselves. Before we can confess to friends and loved ones, or to God, we need first to confess to ourselves. The Prophet Jeremiah tells us (11:20) that “God tests our hearts and minds.” Here “heart” can be read as the truth we want to *believe*, but “mind” can be the truth we need to *know*. Therefore, we would do well to follow the Talmud’s advice (Baba Batra 60b), “Beautify yourself (with truth) before you can demand beauty (of truthfulness) from others.”

We all live with divides between heart and mind; unless we unify them, our confession - in Hebrew “*viduy*” or “self-knowledge” - will be lacking. Our tradition personifies the struggle with a powerful and familiar metaphor: the Pharaoh. When God tells Moses “Come to Pharaoh (Exodus 10:1)” rather than “Go to Pharaoh,” we learn that Pharaoh is the very powerful thing that stands between us and God.

A spiritual reading of this text directs us to be aware that we each have an “inner Pharaoh,” meaning that the only one who stands between us and ourselves is us. Rabbi Mordecai Finley tells about a time in rabbinical school when his class was challenged and asked, “why were they becoming rabbis?” After each student had answered, the wise teacher pointed out, “That’s what you tell others. I hope you don’t believe that is the whole answer.” What followed, as Finley recounts, was a very deep opening of the heart, including some hidden wounds, and a discovery that each one had personal hidden truths, and hidden motivations; each of their stories had much in common, including the joy and the pain. Rabbi Finley believes they came away better rabbis, and better people for pushing through the block that kept truth hidden even from themselves. They had to overcome their inner Pharaohs to find the right message.

A story is told of a great Chasidic master whose student had travelled a long way to see him. When asked why he was there, the student answered, “To find God.” The teacher responded, “You are wasting your time, for God is everywhere.” The despondent student asked, “Then why should I have come?” The master’s answer, “Simple. To find yourself.”

Let this be our goal in the coming days, approaching Elul, during Elul and into Selichot, and through the High Holy Days: to seek out the hidden truths. Let us defeat our inner Pharaohs and discover the message we need ourselves to know. We can celebrate ourselves when deserved and confess, even though our hearts may be hiding a truth. We can do this to make our *Teshuvah* (repentance) ring true, from the innermost source, and radiate throughout the world.

L’shalom,

Rabbi Lewis



Rabbi Craig Lewis



SHABBATERY LOTTERY

Friday, July 14, 2023

Thanks to the following Shabbatery Lottery hosts: **Susan and Brett Caminez, Marissa Street, Beth Thomas, Mike and Linda Spector, Richard Zachary and Ruth Longway, David and Paula Israel.**
A good time was clearly had by all!



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A MESSAGE FROM OUR TEMPLE ADMINISTRATOR



Editors note: Normally, Angela's message is included in the body of this Newsletter. Do to the length of her message this month and limited space, we choose to print it as this insert RZachary.

Challenges and Updates

Greetings Mizpah Members,

I wish to share some details of what goes on behind the scenes. Details count. I love details. The plaster damage is still there, and we found a new spot to be addressed. We have recently replaced the kitchen freezer. The cost is not in our budget. Mizpah is seeking generous donors to cover this expense (about \$3,000). Your support – any amount - will make a significant difference. These appliances pre-date me – fifteen years! The severe storms a few weeks ago caused flooding in the bathrooms and Feinstein Hall. We are optimistic the necessary repairs will keep this from happening again. At this point, we do not see any long-term damage.

Steve had surgery a few weeks ago (all good!) and was out for two weeks. **Granddaddy** came in and covered some of Steve's tasks and we hired a lawn service to manage the lawn. As he recovers, he is on "light duty". We send our best wishes to Steve for a swift and complete recovery. He is essential to keep Mizpah running and looking good.

I would like to share some highlights from my recent vacation. After dealing with a stomach bug, my family and I were able to enjoy a well-deserved break. During this time, I had the pleasure of reconnecting with an old friend, sharing a delightful lunch, and engaging in heartfelt conversations. The warmth of those encounters, along with the much-needed hugs, provided a rejuvenating experience.

Reflecting on the past year, we fondly remember our previous vacation, which coincided with the arrival of our grandson **Zaddik**. This year, our 14-month-old bundle of joy kept us on our toes, reminding us of the joys and challenges of parenthood and grandparenthood. Grandparenthood is so nice. Totally different than parenthood. I can't help but chuckle sometimes watching **Niki and Nathan** learn to manage being a parent. I said to my friend while at lunch, this child shows *them* the way. He said, "did you expect any different?" I thought for a second and said, "Well, sorta." He said, "Angela, you were a baby that had a baby. Niki is grown and it's her fist and she waited on him how long?" I took a big sigh and said, "Well, I never looked at it from those eyes." As the old saying goes, hindsight is 20/20. Niki is so smart and has taught Zaddik so much. I wish I could have been a fraction of the mother that she is. Nathan was an only child, who got whatever he wanted, whenever he wanted it, but he does not do that with Z. He is such a good dad. He is an active father, involved and participating.

In other news, we are thrilled to announce that our apartment renovation project has finally been completed. We are now actively searching for a responsible and caring tenant. This was a huge job; took us about fifty-six days! Weekdays after work, all weekends. I was so sick of painting and cleaning up paint brushes. And not just paint: sanding, drywall, tyle, cleaning. All of it. I give credit where credit goes: God is good and has blessed me in many, many ways: one is with a husband that can fix or address anything that we have ever been challenged with. Not that he always *wants* to, but he can. He is very smart on all hands-on stuff. If anyone says they need or "wonder if", I say I will ask Karl.

Lastly, I would like to mention that Uncle Jr. continues to reside with us; every day presents unique challenges. Though demanding at times, it is a reminder in our daily interactions of the importance of compassion and patience. We strive to provide the best possible care and support for our loved ones, even during the most trying of circumstances.

May our prayers and actions continue to fill our Temple and lives with harmony, love, and the blessings of the divine.

Warm regards,
Angela Rickert,
Temple Administrator

MIZPAH HIGH HOLY DAYS 2023

Note:

This is our preliminary High Holy Days schedule for this year. We will publish updates and details as the holidays approach.

HHD 2023 SCHEDULE

Saturday, Sept. 9	Selichot	6:30 pm
Friday Sept. 15	Erev RH	7:30 pm
Saturday, Sept. 16	RH Morning services	10:00 am
Children's New Years's Celebration		10:00 am
Tashlich Hubert Frye Center		5:00 pm
Sunday, Sept. 17	<i>Kever Avot</i> service in Cemetery	2:00 pm
Sunday, Sept. 24	Kol Nidre Erev YK	7:30 pm
Monday, Sept 25 th :	Yom Kippur	
Morning services		10:00 am
Children's Service		10:00 am
Adult discussion session (library)		12:30 pm
Afternoon services		2:00 pm
Yizkor		4:00 pm
Closing Services		5:00 pm
Break-the-Fast to follow		

Upcoming:

Sukkot

Sukkah build

Sushi in the Sukkah

Simchat Torah (joint w/ BZ)

BIRTHDAYS

August 4

Earl Berkun
Cynthia Powell

August 6

Jenny Noblit

August 8

Lawrence
McDermott

August 9

Michelle Val
Mark Shapiro

August 10

Jill Keegan-Levine
Harold Shalett
Lori Shalett
James Brown

August 14

Finette Winer

August 15

Raymond Val
Paul Lefkoff

August 18

Henry Levi Newman
Dana Waxler

August 19

Dana Banks

August 20

Ellis Weitz
Robert Collins
Joanna Nash-

Presley

Bruce Shaw

August 21

John D. McCarley
Hope Flammer

August 23

Brandon Newman
Jon Cohen

Rachel Pohl

M.J. Levine

Deb Royal

August 25

Karen Bloch
Tillie Gayle
Birghenthal

August 26

Elena (Luz) Faracco

August 27

Beth Thomas

August 28

David Distefano
Elliana Bea Weiss

ANNIVERSARIES

August 1

Donald and Rachel Weir

August 2

Larry and Donnajeanne Ettkin

August 5

Raul and Wendy Beker
Tom Lyons and Debra Dubow

August 8

James Levine and Jill Keegan-Levine

August 12

Raymond and Val Michelle

August 14

John and Ellyn Brooks

August 15

Richard and Pam Schulman

August 21

Hyman and Susan Kaplan

August 23

Steve and Carol Cohn

August 25

Mike and Linda Spector

August 31

Warren Dropkin and Donna White-Dropkin

MIZPAH CONGREGATION YAHRZEITS - July 30– September 2

July 30 - August 5

Marilyn Wynn Weiss
Margarette Dodd
Jake Maurice
Edelstein
Daniel G. Levine
Harry H. Siegel
Ian Oikkacj
Patrick Pike
Josephine Russ
Marilyn Wynn Weiss
Joel Ginsberg
Al Jacobs
Charles Oates Rymer
Laura Clark
David Schaffer
Goldie Siskin
Matthew Perry
Sayde Pressman
Linda Bartlett Cohen

August 6-12

Neal Paul
Philip E. Price
Beverly Rice
Fredrik H. Vogel
Lillian Feinstein
Gus Garry
Sara Landau Wise
Sherrie Feintuch
Gerald Feintuch
Miriam Levine
Harry Wassman
Sylvia Wygoda
Jim Gran
Herbert St. Goar
Adele Zacharias
Effron
Abraham Allan Finkel
Maidelle Reisman
Jettie Rubenstein
Joel B. Langholtz
Rose M. Lefkoff
Claire Reingold
Isidor Cooper
Sura Goldfarb
Bennie Rothfeld
Hyman Stein
J. Harry Wertheimer

August 13-19

Shirley Reader
Edith R. Wassman
Al Gordon
Virginia Jordan
Jonathan Levine
Jake Blumberg
Samuel Harris
Irving Miles
Martha Pollack
Donald Becker
Leventhal
Flora Shaw
Marilyn Tepper
Sarah Goldberg
Morris Matzkin
Gertrude Price
Elizabeth Rose Adler
Doris Moore
Erv Price

August 20-26

Jo Ann Richelson
Estelle Bailis
Dora Esbinsky
Jennie Gottlieb
Fred Landsman
Seymour Milder
Isadore Shapiro
Edna Greene
Wolensky
Pavel Yakovlevitc
Belinsky
Solomon Black
Beatrice-Marcovitch
Black
Emanuel J. Harris
Floyd Kaplan
Hyman Goldman
Gloria Landsman
Blanche Rogoff
Stan Nash
Maurice Poss
Maurice Richelson
Julius Schwartz
Jane Ginsberg
Esther Green
John Hoodenpyle
Lorraine Block
Leventhal
Mollie Miller
Philip Soroko
Milton Tabakin
Sam Alexander
Isadore H. Goelman

Wesley Dillon Grant
Walter Grygorcewicz
Harry Mackler
Helen Miles Cohen
Alan A. Morris
Reuben Simon
Sara Simon Slaughter

August 27- September 2

Phyllis Bell
Simon Lasky
Jennie Miller
Jerry Bentley
Bettye Ingle Harrison
Leo J. Koplan
Dorothy Rose Wise
Lily Segil Shapiro
Isaac Shapiro
Bernard Tepper
Annabelle Rubenstein
Miriam Edelstein
Effron
Morris Louis Levine
Seymour Lorberbaum
Eric Richelson
Deborah Horowitz

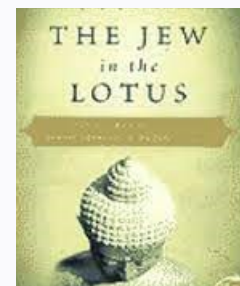
CONDOLENCES TO...

...**Sean Odineal** and his wife **Riki** and their daughter, **Rosemary** on the June 29th death of Sean's uncle, **Kenneth Odineal**, in McMinnville. May his Memory Be for a Blessing.

...**Ronni and Chaim Charyn**, on the recent death of their long-time friend, **Robin Leanne Edwards**. May her Memory Be for a Blessing.

MIZPAH BOOK CLUB

Mizpah Book Club will next meet on Sunday, September 10th at 10:30 am at the home of **Deb Dubow / Tom Lyons**. We are reading **The Jew in the Lotus** by Roger Kamenetz. Contact **Amy** at amyjcohen@gmail.com if you would like to join this literary group! "A group of eight Jewish leaders goes to India for a week of discussions in order to teach the Tibetan spiritual leader what the Jewish tradition has learned about religious self-preservation. Jewish poet Kamenetz comes along for the ride and on the way learns about the richness of his own Jewish identity by hearing about its similarities to Tibetan Buddhism."





Family Shabbat in the Garden

SAVE THE DATE: Fri, Sept 1 at 6:00 PM



NEW INFORMATION!

Children's High Holy Day Services

Sat, Sept 16 at 10:00 AM—RH

Mon, Sept 25 at 10:00 AM—YK

High Holy Day Children's Services will run concurrently to sanctuary services on Rosh Hashanah morning (Sat, Sept 16) and Yom Kippur morning (Mon, Sept 25). These services are appropriate for children from toddlers to pre-B'nei Mitzvah.

Parents dropping off children younger than Pre-K (toddlers and younger): You must reach out to Susan Caminez through email (Education@mizpahcongregation.org) to ensure proper coverage is arranged. Parents are welcome to attend with their children. The morning will include a short interactive service, a snack, and craft activities.

PLEASE RSVP

To ensure we have enough materials and enough hands to help, please RSVP!

Thank you in advance for your help!
education@mizpahcongregation.org

JOIN THE 2nd Annual 30-DAY *Elul Challenge*

Sat, Aug 19 from 5:30-7:30 PM

Feinstein Hall

All ages are invited to a soulful evening exploring Elul - the last month of the Jewish year. We'll create a 30-day Challenge which will help guide us in an interactive, thoughtful way as we prepare ourselves for the High Holy Days. We'll craft, nosh and end with Havdallah.

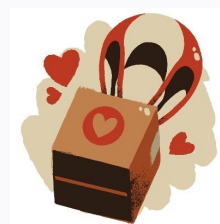
Let us know you plan to attend by
emailing: education@mizpahcongregation.org



At Mizpah Congregation, rising 3rd graders are eligible to start learning Hebrew in preparation for B'nei Mitzvah. Sign up now to register your student **before August 15!** MHS starts Sept 13 with our first monthly meetup!

Don't Forget! Annual College Care Package Signup!

Do you have a student in college? Mizpah sends out college care packages throughout the year to our Mizpah members who are off at school. Now's the time to sign up! **SIGN UP BY AUGUST 15**



MIZPAH FUNDS: YOUR DONATIONS ARE GREATLY APPRECIATED!

Donations received by the 15th of prior month \$18 - "chai" - minimum donation

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In Memory of Steve Coulter

M.J. Levine

HIGH HOLY DAYS TORAH READERS

For Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur, we engage Mizpah members as volunteer Torah and Haftarah readers. There are fifteen (15) distinct and separate readings. We are favored each year with members who read or chant a portion. Each year, we need new and additional readers. If you - or someone you know - wish to participate, please contact me. Each portion of Torah consists of a few lines. You will have full access to Rabbi Lewis or anyone else to practice. Rabbi Lewis will be there on the bimah to back you up.



There are few greater honors for a Jew than to read Torah, especially on solemn days as our High Holy Days.

Richard Zachary, Chair
HHD Committee
ZacharyRA@gmail.com
423-322-3332

MAZAL TOV TO...

...the following Mizpah Board members who completed their terms in office: **Steve Cohn** and **Jacque Nodell**, and as Committee Chair, **Debra Dubow**. Their service and dedication is appreciated.

...**Tom Lyons**, husband of **Debra Dubow**, from the Center for Innovation and Entrepreneurship (CIE) at UT-Chattanooga. At the recent Accreditation Council for Entrepreneurial and Engaged Universities' global Triple E Awards ceremony in Barcelona, Tom's CIE team placed third overall in the Innovation and Entrepreneurship Team of the Year category - focusing on university programs that involve and benefit students and the local community.



...**Tracy Wimberly**, recently appointed as the Program Director as well as an advisor and instructor for Georgia Northern Technical College in the Early Childhood Care and Education program. Also, Tracy is officially engaged to marry **Robert Kellett**!

MIZPAH ANNUAL GIVING CAMPAIGN REPORT

"G-d will provide for those who support the overhead!"

Mizpah Congregation remains a Free Will dues model and considers your giving as a Charitable Philanthropic Act. Many thanks to those who have sent in their pledge forms for 2023-2024 FY already! (120 members at this point)

Our annual Operating Fund goes back into the LIFE of the Congregation. Heat and air allow us to be a gathering place. This fund supports our much-needed staff, including Rabbi Lewis. This fund also supports safety and security for all of us.

If you have not already sent your pledge form for FY 23-24, please do so. If you have, many, many thanks!

The Annual Giving committee will get together August 28th for phone banking to those we have not heard from. If you have misplaced your pledge form, feel free to call the Temple Office (423-267-9771) and Angie will be happy to accept your pledge.

Our end of the calendar year outreach will take place on December 18, 2023. Phone banking will occur as needed.

Many thanks again for your support in our congregational financial success.

Bev Coulter

VP of Annual Giving
Committee members



MIZPAH HIGH HOLY DAYS

Singers Wanted!

Mizpah's volunteer choir is recruiting new singers to join us for the High Holy Days. Rehearsals begin on August 3 and will take place every Thursday from 5:00 to 6:30 PM through Yom Kippur. The choir will sing for Erev and Morning services for both Rosh Hashana and Yom Kippur, as well as Afternoon, Yizkor, and N'ilah services on Yom Kippur. Choir members are welcome to sing as many or as few of those services as they wish. If you're interested in singing, please contact choir director Marianna Allen at marianna@musicbymarianna.com (email) or (423) 432-0980 (call/text) for more information. All song sheets will be available from Marianna to download via email .



TIME TO MEET ANOTHER NEW MEMBER!

Erica and Brandon Newman, along with their children **Lydia** (7) and **Henry** (9) recently joined Mizpah Congregation. Erica, originally from Boston, moved in 2008 - with her cats - to Chattanooga. She met Brandon, a native Chattanooga, and they married in 2011. Brandon works for Daikin (housing construction materials), out of Texas. Erica works for a hearing aid company out of Washington State. The Newmans enjoy kayaking, mountain biking and pickle ball. They are very devoted to their three cats! Lydia and Henry have attended Machanooga for several years, and the family is very active in the Chattanooga Jewish community. Being an interfaith family, they feel that joining Mizpah will give their family the opportunity to build Jewish traditions and relationships in a welcoming and accepting environment.



Join me in welcoming the Newmans to Mizpah Congregation!

Paula Israel, Membership



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