

Service Times

Masks are no longer required indoors for those fully vaccinated, and we are providing new seating choices for different personal comfort levels. Please see the [Safe Services Update](#) for details.

* Sign up to attend Shabbat services at Dortikvah.org/event/Join-Minvan.

Please register by Fridays at 5 pm.

Erev Shabbat

Friday, July 2 (Tammuz 22)

6:45 pm - *Mincha/ Kabbalat Shabbat/ Maariv

7:03 pm - Earliest Candle Lighting

8:13 pm - Late Candle Lighting

Shabbat

Saturday, July 3 (Tammuz 23)

9:00 am - *Shacharit

9:49 am - Latest preferable time to say Shema

7:45 pm - *Mincha

Seudah Shlishit

9:15 pm - Maariv/Havdallah

Kiddush Sponsor: The Paul Family

In memory of Mrs. Tamar Paul, Tamar Reizel bas Nassan v'Golda, whose Yahrtzeit is on Tammuz 26.

Upcoming Sponsors

7/10 - Joe & Edie Rubin

7/17 - Nathan & Linda Kirshstein

Classes

• **Daf Yomi with Rabbi Paul & Yoni Alon**
Sunday-Thursday 8:30 pm, **Phone Conference**.

• **Lunchtime Talmud with Rabbi Davies**

Off for the Summer.

contact info@dortikvah.org for more details.

Community Events & Programs

* **Synagogue Emanu-El Blood Drive - July 28th, 9:30 am**

Help save a life! Give blood. To make an appointment [click here](#) or visit Redcrossblood.org.

Refuah Shleima

To add or remove a name, contact charlessteinert@gmail.com.

Simcha ben Etle
Yael Bracha bat Pnina
Nechemiah ben Chanah
Yael Bracha bat Pnina
Rahel Tzvia bat Feigel Sara
Aron David ben Yudah Yisroel
Channah Penina bat Miriam Rochel
Nechama Chana bat Tziporah Rachel
Shlomo Yoel ben Miriam (Stanford Kirshtein)
Blumah Leah bat Yitzhak Dov (Rosalind Münster)

Hodel bat Raozel
Miriam bat Mazal
Esther bat Alitza
Moshe ben Esther
Chaim ben Pesha
Rina bat Gisya
Gana bat Gisya
Hank Legare
Talia bat Shoshana

Life Cycle

Birthdays

> Katherine Bielsky (7/8) > Gregory C Rothschild (7/9)

Contributions

We appreciate all donations! Contributions of \$10 or more are acknowledged here.

Donations to CDT can be made at DorTikvah.org or sent to
1645 Raoul Wallenberg Blvd. Charleston, SC 29407.

> Mitch & Irene Gilbert

- To the Ida Fisher Fund in memory of Bertha Hoffman

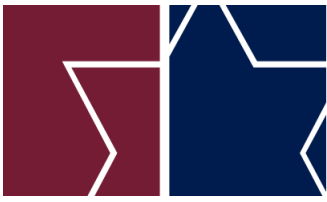
Davies Legacy

> Sharon & Michael Stricker

Announcements

> **Masks are no longer required** for services or indoor activities. We request that those *not* fully vaccinated continue to wear masks when indoors. [CLICK HERE](#) for our full zoning and mask protocols update, or see the Safe Services Update at Dortikvah.org/services.html.

> **2022 Blue Book:** If you need to update your address or contact information for the new Blue Book, please email shalom@kkbe.org.



Pinchas

(Numbers 25:10-30:1)

Social and Emotional Leadership

By Rabbi Dr. Mordechai Schiffman

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After processing the news that he will not be leading *Bnei Yisrael* into the land of Canaan due to his and Aharon's sin at Mei Meriva, Moshe turns to G-d and asks Him to appoint a successor. In his dialogue with G-d, Moshe addresses Him with a strange appellation – *Elokei HaRuchot* – G-d of Spirits. Two verses later, G-d tells Moshe to take Yehoshua, a man who has "*ruach*" and appoint him as the leader. The role of *ruach* is clearly essential in the narrative, but it is unclear exactly what it is and why it is so important.

Depending on the context, the term *ruach* can mean several things in Tanach, including wind, breath, spirit, feelings, or will. Rashi understands the term here as a reference to people's general personality. G-d is a G-d of *ruach*, meaning that the personality of every individual is revealed before Him. He should appoint a leader who will be able to tolerate each person based on his or her own inner makeup. Yehoshua is a man who has *ruach*, meaning he can conduct himself in a manner that would correspond to every individual. Rashi's description of the skills required to lead is striking on two fronts. The first, is the care and concern the leader must have for ALL of his or her followers. Rashi emphasizes the importance of understanding the innumerable differences between each individual and the duty to adapt accordingly. The leader doesn't just make policy for the masses and let some fall through the cracks. He or she needs to tend to everyone.

The second is the seeming parallel to the constructs of social and emotional intelligence. Broadly speaking, emotional intelligence incorporates the ability to read and manage emotions both in the self and others. Social intelligence encompasses verbal and listening skills, a depth of understanding of social situations, and the capacity to insert oneself effectively in those contexts. Rashi's description of *ruach* highlights the need to understand the depths of personality of the other and manage the self and others accordingly. Research in educational psychology as well as in industrial and organizational psychology demonstrates how important these skills are for leaders and educators -- but the question becomes, how does one attain these abilities?

One answer is that having this *ruach* is simply a gift from G-d. I either have it or I don't. All I can do is daven and hope that Hashem grants me these abilities. In fact, we find precedent for such a notion when Hashem took some of Moshe's *ruach* and placed it upon the elders until they absorbed it (Bemidbar 11:17). However, the Alshich points out, this is not the same procedure that happens with Yehoshua. Yehoshua apparently already had these traits so he did not need a Divine intervention to provide them. That's why, according to Abarbanel, G-d tells Moshe in reference to Yehoshua: "*kach lecha*" – you take – as if to say, don't turn to me to appoint him and make him ready for leadership. Yehoshua already has the skills because he spent years observing Moshe's behavior and modeling his own behavior accordingly.

Most of us in some form or another, whether at home, work, or school, take on a position of a leader. We learn from this narrative that we need to be a person of *ruach* – to care and tend to everyone we are guiding, and to attempt to understand their inner psychology using our emotional and social intelligence and deal with each one accordingly. The good news is that this is a skill that can be taught and learned, which makes it a worthwhile investment of our time and resources if we want to develop into more effective leaders.