

HIGH HOLIDAYS IN JERUSALEM

by Lenny Grosswasser

Rosh Hashanah in the Old City of Jerusalem. It brings to mind thoughts of shofar blowing everywhere, Jews davening (praying) at the Western Wall, and more. And most of these expectations were fulfilled for me this past Rosh Hashanah when I attended the Aleinu Program of Yeshivat Aish Hatorah. The program provided an apartment in the Old City for the holiday, and contained special explanations throughout the services which made davening much more enjoyable. As my first Rosh Hashanah spent in an Orthodox environment, I found the experience incredibly uplifting.

Walking back and forth from shul to my apartment I repeatedly heard shofars being blown from other shuls. And when I looked in, all these shuls were packed! In a tiny area of Jerusalem, there were thousands of Jews praying together. And somehow it seemed so appropriate that after services the streets were full of joyous people walking together on their way to special holiday meals. So different from the car ride my father and I used to take on our way home to a regular meal after Rosh Hashanah services at my family's Reform Temple.

Tashlich (symbolic casting away of sins) was another unique experience in Jerusalem. After a walk through the Arab quarter, where we were warned to stick together, we came to a body of water. Hundreds of other people were there with their Machzorim (holiday prayer books) saying Tashlich and emptying out their pockets. For those people without a Machzor there was always a helpful person ready to supply one.

As Rosh Hashanah came to a close, and Shabbat approached, I walked from the Old City back to my apartment in New Jerusalem. I heard the shofar countless times, I lit candles and said extra b'rachot (blessings), and I said "Shana Tova" so many times I almost forgotten how to say Happy New Year in English. My head was almost swimming from these experiences. But, on the hour walk home, I

realized that I felt a sense of joy and elation which I had never before experienced upon the New Year, and which carried me through the Shabbat and hopefully will last this whole year.

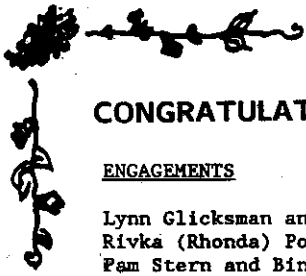
Before coming to Israel, when I thought of spending Yom Kippur here, I imagined my primary concern to be deciding which minyan to attend. Now that very well could have been the case, except that I was determined to spend at least one of the *chagim* (holidays) at my Yeshiva. And since I attended a woman's Yeshiva, the problem was not choosing a minyan, but rather gathering one together. This, however, was finally completed by the yeshiva three days before Yom Kippur.



Once the holiday began, I was very glad I had made the effort to remain at the Yeshiva, because the sense of community and closeness added an extra dimension to the holiday. After Kol Nidre (the Yom Kippur eve prayer) there wasn't much mingling, because most people wanted to make sure they were able to get up early for services the next day. Being in Jerusalem, however, a group of people did walk down to the Kotel (Western Wall), even though that entailed a nearly two hour round trip walk.

Davening on Yom Kippur was intense, but belonging to a community made the fast and the whole day a little easier. Whenever I got tired, I would look at my friends and classmates around me who were still davening, even though they were also tired, and somehow that endowed me with the extra strength to continue.

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BAR MITZVAH

Isaac Stansky

TZETCHEM L'SHALOM (To live or study in Israel)

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Reuven Kruger upon being ordained as a Rabbi

TODAH RABBAH (Thank You)

To Karen Wald and Andy Linder for their outstanding efforts on behalf of the LSS Dinner-Journal campaign
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 To "Rabbi" Joseph Schwarz for his inspiring leadership of the Beginners Service during the summer

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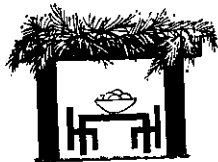
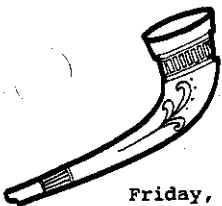
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 * **Beginners & Intermediate Dinner** *
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 * **Simchat Beit Hashoeva** *
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 * **Sept. 29th - 6:30 p.m., \$ 15** *
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 * **Beginners Luncheon** *
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 * **November 5th, \$ 10** *
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 * **Beginners Schmooze** *
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 * **Nov. 7th - 8:15 pm** *
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 * **Beginners Shabbaton** *
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 * **December 3rd** *
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 * **Reserve the dates** *
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 * **Details to follow** *
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"Repentance, prayer and charity can overcome an unfavorable judgment."

MONDAY, SEPT. 19 / י"ח תשרי
8. YOM KIPPUR WORKSHOPS
 Beginners/Intermediates
 Ms. Suri Kasirer 6:30-8 p.m. FREE

THURSDAY, SEPT. 29 / י"ח תשרי
 ד' דחול המועד סוכות
**12. Simchat Beit Hasho'evah:
 The Water Festival**
 Join Rabbi Ephraim Buchwald in reenacting the joyous ancient Temple ritual.
 Live music! Juggling! Entertainment! Food! Celebrat-
 ing!—and a talk on the Jewish idea of *Simchat*
 In the Sukkah 6:30-10 p.m.

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 * Rabbi Buchwald will be *
 * leading a two week tour *
 * of Israel in late *
 * October or early November *
 * to show support and *
 * solidarity during these *
 * trying times. *
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SCHEDULE OF SERVICES



Friday, September 2nd
 Kindle Shabbat Candles.....7:09 p.m.
 Mincha and Kabbalat Shabbat.....7:20 p.m.

Shabbat, September 3rd (KEETAVO)
 Shabbat Morning Services.....8:45 a.m.
 Talmud and Bible Classes.....6:10 p.m.
 Mincha.....7:10 p.m.
 Early Selichot10:15 p.m.
 Selichot Lecture by Rabbi Saul Berman..11:30 p.m.
 "On Being Self-Defeating in Teshuvah"
 Selichot Services.....12:30 a.m.
 Daily Mincha and Maariv.....7:10 p.m.

Sunday, September 4th
 Morning Services 7:15 and 8:30 a.m.

Monday September 5th
 Labor Day
 Selichot and Morning services..6:45 and 8:30 a.m.

Daily Selichot and Morning Services
 6:45 and 7:30 a.m.

Friday, September 9th
 Kindle Shabbat Candles.....6:58 p.m.
 Mincha and Kabbalat Shabbat.....7:10 p.m.

Shabbat, September 10th (NITZAVIM)
 Shabbat Morning Services.....8:45 a.m.
 Talmud and Bible Classes.....6:00 p.m.
 Mincha.....7:00 p.m.
 Daily Mincha and Maariv(Thursday only)..6:55 p.m.

Sunday, September 11th
 Eve of Rosh Hashana
 Selichot and Morning Services.....6 & 7:30 a.m.
 Kindle Rosh Hashana Candles.....6:54 p.m.
 Mincha and Kabbalat Rosh Hashana.....7:05 p.m.

Monday, September 12th
 Rosh Hashana Services.....7:45 a.m.
 Tashlich Walk.....6:00 p.m.
 Mincha.....7:05 p.m.
 KINDLE ROSH HASHANA CANDLES NOT BEFORE..7:53 P.M.

Tuesday, September 13th
 Rosh Hashana Services.....7:45 a.m.
 Daf Yomi.....5:55 p.m.
 Mincha.....6:55 p.m.

Wednesday, September 14th
 Fast of Gedalia
 Fast Begins.....5:23 a.m.
 Selichot and Morning services..6:40 and 7:15 a.m.
 Mincha.....6:45 p.m.
 Fast ends.....7:38 p.m.

Thursday, September 15th
 Selichot and Morning services..6:40 and 7:15 a.m.

Friday, September 16th
 Selichot and Morning Services..6:40 and 7:15 a.m.
 Kindle Shabbat Candles.....6:46 p.m.
 Mincha and Kabbalat Shabbat.....6:55 p.m.

Shabbat, September 17th (VAYELECH)
 Shabbat Shuva
 Shabbat Morning Services.....8:45 a.m.
 Mincha followed by Shabbat Shuva Discourse
 5:50 p.m.

On Kavanah in Prayer;"...We do not at
 anytime have proper Kavanah...."
 (Tosofot Berachot 17B)
 Daily Mincha and Maariv.....6:45 p.m.

Sunday, September 18th
 Selichot and Morning services..6:45 and 8:00 a.m.

Monday, September 19th
 Selichot and Morning Services..6:40 and 7:15 a.m.

Tuesday, September 20th
 Eve of Yom Kippur
 Selichot and Morning Services.....7 and 7:30 a.m.
 Mincha.....3:00 p.m.
 Kindle Memorial and Yom Kippur candles..6:39 p.m.
 Kol Nidre Services.....6:45 p.m.

Wednesday, September 21st
 Yom Kippur
 Main Sanctuary.....8:00 a.m.
 Auditorium.....9:00 a.m.
 Final shofar blast.....7:37 p.m.

Thursday, September 22nd
 Morning Services.....7:10 and 7:50 a.m.

Friday, September 23rd
 Morning services.....7:15 and 7:50 a.m.
 Kindle Shabbat Candles.....6:34 p.m.
 Mincha and Kabbalat Shabbat.....6:45 p.m.

Shabbat September 24th (HAAZINU)
 Shabbat Morning Services.....8:45 a.m.
 Talmud and Bible Classes.....5:35 p.m.
 Mincha.....6:35 p.m.
 Daily Mincha and Maariv(Wed.& Thurs.only)
 6:30 p.m.

Sunday, September 25th
 Eve of Sukkot
 Morning Services.....7:15 and 8:30 a.m.
 Kindle Yom Tov Candles.....6:31 p.m.
 Mincha and Kabbalat Yom Tov.....6:40 p.m.

Monday, September 26th
 Sukkot Morning Services.....8 and 8:45 a.m.
 Daf Yomi.....5:40 p.m.
 Mincha.....6:40 p.m.
 KINDLE YOM TOV CANDLES NOT BEFORE.....7:29 P.M.

Tuesday, September 27th
 Sukkot Morning Services.....8 and 8:45 a.m.
 Daf Yomi.....5:35 p.m.
 Mincha.....6:35 p.m.
 Daily Chol Hamoed Morning Services. 7 & 7:40 a.m.

Friday, September 30th
 Kindle Shabbat Candles.....6:22 p.m.
 Mincha and Kabbalat Shabbat.....6:30 p.m.

Shabbat, October 1st
 Shabbat Chol Hamoed Sukkot
 Morning Services.....8:45 a.m.
 Talmud and Bible classes.....5:20 p.m.
 Mincha.....6:20 p.m.
 Daily Mincha Maariv.....6:20 p.m.

Sunday, October 2nd
 Hoshana Rabba
 Morning Services.....6:30 and 8:00 a.m.
 Kindle Yom Tov Candles.....6:19 p.m.
 Mincha and Kabbalat Yom Tov.....6:30 p.m.

Monday, October 3rd
 Shemini Atzeret
 Morning Services
 including Yizkor Memorial services 8, 8:45
 and 9:30 a.m.

Daf Yomi.....5:25 p.m.
 Mincha.....6:25 p.m.
 KINDLE YOM TOV CANDLES NOT BEFORE.....7:17 p.m.

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למחשבות רבות

Thursday, October 4th
 Simchat Torah
 Yom Tov Morning Services.....8:00 a.m.
 Family Services (Bet Midrash).....9:00 a.m.
 Women's Tefillah Group.....9:00 a.m.
 Mincha followed by Seudah Shlisheet Neilat Hachag
 .6:15 p.m.

Friday, October 7th
 Kindle Shabbat candles.....6:11 p.m.
 Mincha and Kabbalat Shabbat.....6:20 p.m.

Saturday, October 8th (BERESHEET)
 Shabbat Morning Service.....8:45 a.m.
 Talmud and Bible Class.....5:10 p.m.
 Mincha.....5:50 p.m.
 followed by special Chatanim Seudah Shlisheet
 Daily Mincha & Maariv.....6:10 p.m.

Monday, October 10th
 Columbus Day
 Morning services.....7:10 & 7:50 a.m.

Tuesday-Wednesday
 October 11-12 Rosh Chodesh Cheshvan
 Morning services.....7 & 7:40 a.m.

Friday, October 14th
 Kindle Shabbat Candles.....6:00 p.m.
 Mincha and Kabbalat Shabbat.....6:10 p.m.

Shabbat, October 15th (Noach)
 Shabbat Morning Services.....8:45 a.m.
 Talmud and Bible Class.....5:00 a.m.
 Mincha6:00 p.m.
 Daily Mincha & Maariv.....6:00 p.m.

Friday, October 21
 Kindle Shabbat candles.....5:49 p.m.
 Mincha and Kabbalat Shabbat.....6:00 p.m.

Shabbat, October 22 (LECH-LECHA)
 Shabbat Morning Service.....8:45 a.m.
 Talmud and Bible Classes.....4:50 p.m.
 Mincha.....5:50 p.m.
 Daily Mincha and Maariv.....5:50 p.m.

Friday, October 28
 Kindles Shabbat candles.....5:40 p.m.
 Mincha and Kabbalat Shabbat.....5:50 p.m.

Shabbat, October 29 (VAYERA)
 Shabbat Morning Service.....8:45 a.m.
 Talmud and Bible Classes.....4:40 p.m.
 Mincha5:40 p.m.
 Please remember to turn your clocks back one hour
 for Eastern Standard Time.
 Daily Mincha and Maariv.....4:40 p.m.
 Maariv only Mon.-Thurs.....6:20 p.m.

Friday, November 4th
 Kindle Shabbat Candles.....4:31 p.m. est
 Mincha and Kabbalat Shabbat.....4:40 p.m.
 Shabbat, November 5 (CHAYEI SARA)
 Shabbat Morning Services.....8:45 a.m.
 Talmud and Bible Classes.....3:45 p.m.
 Mincha.....4:30 p.m.
 Daily Mincha and Maariv.....4:35 p.m.
 Maariv only Mon-Thurs.....6:20 p.m.

Tuesday, November 8th
 Election
 Morning services.....7:15 & 7:50 a.m.

Thursday, November 10
 Rosh Chodesh Kislev
 Morning Services.....7:00 & 7:40 a.m.

Friday, November 11
 Veterans Day
 Morning services.....7:15 & 7:50 a.m.
 Kindle Shabbat Candles.....4:24 p.m.
 Mincha and Kabbalat Shabbat.....4:35 p.m.

Shabbat, November 12 (TOLEDOTE)
 Shabbat Morning Services.....8:45 a.m.
 Talmud and Bible Classes.....3:40 p.m.
 Mincha4:25 p.m.
 Daily Mincha & Maariv.....4:30 p.m.
 Maariv only Mon-Thurs.....6:20 p.m.

Friday, November 18
 Kindle Shabbat candles.....4:18 p.m.
 Mincha and Kabbalat Shabbat.....4:30 p.m.

Shabbat, November 19 (VAYAYTZAY)
 Shabbat Morning service.....8:45 a.m.
 Talmud and Bible Class.....3:35 p.m.
 Mincha.....4:20 p.m.
 Daily Mincha and Maariv.....4:25 p.m.
 Maariv only Mon-Wed.....6:20 p.m.
 (No Maariv Only on Thanksgiving Day)

Thursday, Thanksgiving Day,
 November 24
 Morning Services.....7:10 and 8:30 a.m.

Friday, November 25
 Kindle Shabbat Candles.....4:14 p.m.
 Mincha and Kabbalat Shabbat.....4:25 p.m.

Shabbat, November 26 (VAYISHLACH)
 Shabbat Morning Services.....8:45 a.m.
 Talmud and Bible Classes.....3:30 p.m.
 Mincha4:15 p.m.
 Daily Mincha and Maariv.....4:25 p.m.
 Maariv only Mon-Thurs.....6:20 p.m.

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The end of the day was somber, yet spiritually uplifting. When the women formed a circle and danced to "Next Year in Jerusalem", it had an incredibly deep meaning for those of us who had just recently arrived in Jerusalem and did not know for how long we would be there, and indeed if we would even spend another Yom Kippur in Jerusalem.

All in all, I found the *chagim* in Jerusalem to be on a completely different level than the same holidays in the States. For the first time in my life, I personally saw hundreds of Jews participating in the holidays as they were,

meant to. Watching communities of people walk to and from shul, and help each other through the fast, gave me a clearer picture of what Judaism is all about. I don't know when, if ever, I will be able to spend the *chagim* in Jerusalem again, but I'm extremely grateful that I had this opportunity, and that I now have a reference point with which to compare future months of Elul.

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