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Parshat Bo

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January 7-8, 2022

Executive Director President

NEW COVID ATTENDANCE GUIDELINES

In order to continue to keep each other safe and healthy, and to comply with New York City and State regulations, LSS requires that everyone (children and adult) wear a face mask, covering the wearer's mouth and nose, at all times in all areas indoors of LSS. In addition, we request that attendees be sensitive to the comfort and safety concerns of others at shul by respecting any social distancing desires of others. We thank you in advance!

SHABBAT SCHEDULE

Friday night:

4:27pm Shabbat Candle Lighting

4:30pm Mincha followed by Kabbalat Shabbat;

Location: Nathaniel Richman Cohen Sanctuary.

Following Maariv, Neirot Shabbat Shiur and Kiddush by Rabbanit Mindy Schwartz Zolty. Topic: 430 Years in Egypt: Diaspora as a State of Mind. Sponsored by Mordechai, Elana, Natalie, Michelle, Matt, Finn and Aron in commemoration of the yahrtzeit's of their parents, grandparents, and great-grandparents Aron and Aviva Beilis, Aharon Simcha ben Yitzhak and Mazala Aviva bat Menachem. Iris and Owen Cahn in commemoration of the vahrtzeit of their father Berndt Cahn.

4:45pm Sunset: Latest time to daven Mincha

5:16pm Repeat Shema

Shabbat:

7:45am Hashkama Minyan; Location: Belfer Beit Midrash.

Shiur by Rabbi Moshe Sokolow on third floor:

Hashkama Kiddush on The Spira Family Terrace

9:00am Chazzan Sherwood Goffin Memorial Minyan;

Location: Nathaniel Richman Cohen Sanctuary. Drasha before Musaf by Rabbi Shaul Robinson. Main Kiddush on the Spira Family Terrace.

9:30am Beginners Service led by Rabbi Ephraim Buchwald; Location: Ballroom. Beginners Kiddush to follow on the

Spira Family Terrace.

9:30am Terrace Minyan; Location: Spira Family Terrace

9:40am Latest Shema

9:45am Rabbi Herschel Cohen Memorial Minyan;

Location: Belfer Beit Midrash

9:45am Shabbat Groups; Location: Second Floor Classrooms

10:28am Latest Shacharit

2:45pm Beginners Mishna Chavura with Moshe Sheinwexler;

Location: Belfer Beit Midrash

3:45pm Louis & Rhoda Lazar Memorial Shiur by Assistant Rabbi Yoni

Zolty; Location: Nathaniel Richman Cohen Sanctuary.

Topic: Discussion of This Week's Haftara.

4:20pm Mincha: Location: Nathaniel Richman Cohen Sanctuary.

Followed by Seudah Shlishit on The Spira Family Terrace

4:46pm Sunset: daven Mincha

5:28pm Ma'ariv/Havdalah

5:38pm Zoom Havdalah (link in Electronic Echod)

NEIROT SHABBAT SHIUR AND KIDDUSH

Following Maariv on Friday night, January 14, join us for a shiur given by Assistant Rabbi Yoni Zolty followed by a hot kugel kiddush. If you are interested in sponsoring, please email info@lss.org.

MAZAL TOV

Ariella Kristal and Sam Clinton-Davis on the birth of a boy.

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

Ike Greenstein Hindi Silber

Cantor **WEEKDAY MINYAN INFORMATION**

Shacharit:

Sunday, January 9 @ 8:30am Monday, January 10—Friday, January 14 @ 7:30am

Mincha/Maariv:

Sunday, January 9 & Monday, January 10 @ 4:35pm Tuesday, January 11—Thursday, January 13 @ 4:40pm

PROGRAMS POSTPONED

Unfortunately, due to Israel travel restrictions, Rav Kahn's Scholar in Residence, which was planned for this Shabbat, is canceled. We look forward to welcoming the Ray to LSS as soon as possible.

Due to the low registration related to the recent surge in cases, the Babies & Brunch program, which was planned for January 9 is being postponed. We look forward to bringing this program to you at a later date.

Due to the current travel restrictions, the speaker for the film Black Honey is unable to make it to NY at this time. We look forward to scheduling a film soon.

UPCOMING EVENTS

This Sunday, January 9th: Women's Tefillah Group: Chodesh Shevat shiur: 8:00pm. Title: Redeemer of the Redeemer: Batyah the Daughter of Pharaoh Meeting ID: 876 7503 8328 Passcode: 337759

Thursday, January 13th: Malida, a TuBishvat Celebration by the Bene Israel community of Indian Jews: 1:00pm. Join us for a virtual Seder Malida and ceremony, come and learn more about the Bene Israel Jewish Community from India their origins, customs and more. Via Zoom. Register at https://bit.ly/3pZ6Vws.

Shabbat, January 15th: Women's Tefillah Group: Shabbat Mincha: 4:00pm. Location: Belfer Beit Midrash.

Sunday, January 16th: Women's Tefillah Group: Virtual Tu B' Shevat Celebration: 7:30pm. Meeting ID: 811 9018 2621 Passcode: 647237. Shop now and have ready: Wine or Grape juice: You will need both Red and white. Plate 1: At least one fruit that has a shell on the outside: e.g., pomegranates, almonds, walnuts, orange etc. Plate 2: At least one fruit that has no outer shell but has an inner pit we don't eat: e.g., olives, dates, cherries etc. Plate 3: At least one fruit that has no shell or big pit: e.g., grapes, figs, apples, pears etc.

Shabbat, February 5th: 12:30pm: Beginners Luncheon. Cost: \$25. Register at https://www.lss.org/event/beginners-shabbat-luncheon---february-5-2022.html

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Hashkama Kiddush: Elissa and Robert Burnat in commemoration of the yahrtzeit of Robert's father, Binyamin ben Yaakov z"l and Robert's uncle Yisroel ben Shlomo Wruble z"l, both on 8 Shevat.

Friends of Dr. Golda Hudes in honor of her appointment as a full professor at Einstein College of Medicine.

Main Kiddush: Lisanne, Arthur and Gabrielle Lubitz in honor of the marriage of their daughter and sister Rachel Lubitz to Matanya Loewenthal of Denver, Colorado.

Milayna Subar and Jeffrey Schwartz in commemoration of the vahrtzeit of Milayna's mother, Ruthe Brown Subar a"h, Rachel bat Azriel Yaakov HaLevi.

Beginners Kiddush: Jesse Giles in honor of Rabbi Buchwald: teacher of Torah and father of many.

Seudah Shlishit: Available to be sponsored.

Would you like to sponsor a kiddush or Neirot Shabbat for future weeks? Email info@lss.org.

YOUTH AND MAGEN AVRAHAM TEEN DEPARTMENT

We take the safety and health of our members very seriously and will do whatever we can to prevent further spread of Covid-19. As a reminder to all parents, if children are at all symptomatic (cough, fever, runny nose, sore throat, GI symptoms, etc.), it is important that they stay home.

Important note: We ask families to continue to be vigilant about our health policies. Please support our efforts by sending your child to shul with a mask and reminding them of the importance of consistently keeping their masks on during groups.

Shabbat Youth Groups: 9:45am (Location: 2nd floor classrooms)

Youth Groups are back in full swing with davening, Torah & play.

Youth Directors: Romy and Avrahum Sanger Assistant Youth Director: Alexander Wildes

Friday, January 14th: Teen Tu Bshat Oneg: Join us for a fun Teen Oneg. We'll have card games, ping pong, food and more.

Motzei Shabbat, January 15th: Youth Movie Night: Come enjoy a movie at the shul for youth and families.

Sunday, February 16th: Meet-at-the-rink Ice Skating Event. We're joining up with WSIS and OZ to go ice skating. More details to follow.

Motzei Shabbat, February 5th: Teen Dave & Buster's Night: All teens of the UWS are welcome to join us for a fun night out at Dave & Buster's. We'll be leaving together from LSS.

WEEKLY LEARNING OPPORTUNITIES

Sunday:

 Sh'eilot and Tshuvot: 9:15am-10:15am led by Assistant Rabbi Yoni Zolty. Come and learn some classic and contemporary responsa Sunday mornings after Shacharit. In person and via Zoom. In person location: Belfer Beit Midrash. Meeting ID: 838 3061 9860 Passcode: 354153. Sponsors are welcome.

Monday:

- A Gemara Class Bava Kama: Laws of Personal Injury led by Rabbi Robinson: 11:00am-12:00pm. Location: Nathaniel Richman Cohen Sanctuary. Repeated on Zoom Tuesday at 8:00pm.
- Chug Ivrit led by Harel Fenigstein Chadashot (News from Israel): 7:00pm-8:15pm. Available in person or via Zoom. Register at https://www.jotform.com/212903440529048

Tuesday:

- The Marilyn & Sam Isler, "Studies in the weekly Parsha" led by Rabbi Shaul Robinson: 10:30am–11:30am Meeting ID: 241022510. Dial In: 646 876 9923. Location: Nathaniel Richman Cohen Sanctuary
- Beit Midrash night, The M'lachim (Kings) Study Group led by Ron Platzer: 8:00pm. Meeting ID: 850 0937 1460 Password: 560900
- A Gemara Class Bava Kama: Laws of Personal Injury led by Rabbi Robinson: 8:00pm. Meeting ID: 858 4080 4793 Passcode: 931015

Wednesday

- Personalities in Rabbinic Literature led by Rabbanit Mindy Schwartz Zolty 12:00pm-1:00pm. Location: Nathaniel Richman Cohen Sanctuary. Topic: Akavyah ben Mahalalel: Dispute and Integrity in the Study Hall
- Chug Ivrit Safa Ivrit (Hebrew Language) led by Harel Fenigstein: 7:00pm-8:15pm. Available in person or via Zoom. Register at https://www.jotform.com/212903661753153

Thursday:

- Women's Talk Time: led by School Psychologist Ruth Moser Riemer: 11:30am-12:30pm. Meeting ID: 972 4054 8238 Password: 142533
- Jacob Adler Parsha Class: Explorations in the Weekly Parsha led by Rabbi Shaul Robinson: 7:00pm. Meeting ID: 912 657 888 In person location: Belfer Beit Midrash

YOUTH DVAR TORAH

By Romy Sanger

In Parshat Bo we read about the special instructions Bnei Yisrael received regarding preparing the Korban Pesach - one time instructions which characterized Pesach Mitzrayim. Among those one-time mitzvot was the commandment to paint their doorposts with the blood of the sacrifice. Hashem tells the Jewish people that this is to be a sign: (Shemot 12:13) וְהָיָה הַדָּם לְכֶם לְאֹת עַל הַבָּתִּים אֲשֶׁל אַתֶּם שָׁם וְרָאִיתִי אֶת הַדָּם וּפְּסַחְתִּי עֲלֵכֶם

The pasuk makes it seem like the blood is a sign for Hashem - to indicate which homes are Jewish and should be "passed over" in the plague of death for the firstborns. Yet why would Hashem need such a sign?

Rashi explains from the word לכם, for you, that "It is a sign for YOU, not for the others - place the blood on the inside of the frame." Rashi's words are based on the Mechilta, which teaches the following:

ר' יונתן אומר מבפנים אתה אומר מבפנים או אינו אלא מבחוץ ת"ל והיה הדם לכם לאות. לכם לאות לא לי ולא לאחרים לאות

R' Yochanan says: "From the inside" - why not from the outside? Hence the Torah teaches "And the blood shall be for you a sign" - for you a sign and not for Me and not for others a sign.

We might have thought otherwise that putting the blood of an Egyptian god, the lamb, on the doorpost could have served as the Jews' sign of their total commitment to Hashem and disregard for the Egyptian ways. Yet this Mechilta disagrees: it was explicitly not a sign for the Egyptians or for Hashem. The only way to understand the sign is really "for you" - the Jewish people saw the blood on each others' doorposts and drew strength during this dangerous time from the knowledge that the entire nation was united in their unwavering commitment to Hashem, despite fearing the impending wrath of the Egyptians.

QUESTIONS

- 1. How long did each plague last?
- 2. When did the Jewish people leave Egypt?
- 3. What did the locusts destroy?
- 4. What was the 10th and final plague?

Killing of firstborn Egyptians

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DVAR TORAH

Parshat Bo* January 7-8, 2022 Written by: Lori Jacobowitz

Dedicated to the upcoming Shevat Yahrzeits of my mother, Winnie Jacobowitz, a"h, my Aunt Miriam Watkin a"h, and my Great-Aunt Etta Greenfield Bodoff, a"h.

Parshat Bo has a numerical value of 3 (Bet = 2, Aleph =1), signaling the three last plagues that Hashem inflicts upon Egypt. Moshe is told to "bo" (go) unto Paroh to tell him what else awaits Egypt. The Lubavitcher Rebbe said that "bo" also means come with me, and Hashem accompanies Moshe on his journey to Paroh to deliver a personal message.

Why are these final three plagues necessary?

Hashem said, "I will bring one more plague upon Paroh and upon Mitzrayim, after which he will release you from here." Here, Hashem is telling us that Egypt needed to experience all the ten plagues. Paroh's advisers had said to him "Do you not know that Mitzrayim is ruined?" But Hashem strengthened Paroh's resolve, hardened his heart, and he did not release the Israelites.

In Parshat Bo, we focus on the destruction of the Egyptians as a people, and on the Israelites gaining freedom as a people. Just as the Israelites endured years of slavery, it is now the Egyptians who are being subjugated. Through these final plagues, the Egyptians lose their freedom; they are now enslaved inside their own bodies and paralyzed with fear. The locusts destroy all the food that is left in Egypt so the Egyptians endure starvation. Midrash Rabbah states that because the Egyptians had made the Israelites sow wheat and barley, Hashem brought the locusts to devour all that the Israelites had sown for the Egyptians.

During the plague of darkness, the Egyptians were paralyzed as they could neither see nor move. The Midrash Rabbah says that it was a darkness that could be felt, with substance. Rabbi Nehemiah said it came from the darkness of Gehinnom.

With the final plague, the Egyptians' greatest fears materialized. Their brethren are dying all around them and they don't know who amongst them will be next.

It was not only the lives of the Egyptians that were lost, but their possessions as well. Hashem told each Israelite to ask for gold and silver utensils, and then made the Egyptians look favorably upon them. In this way, the Israelites were able to take the wealth that the Egyptians had accumulated. Rav Kook said that in order to neutralize the attraction of Egypt, it was necessary to impoverish the country so there would be no temptation to go back to this idolatrous land.

The plagues for the Egyptians were miracles for the Israelites. They had to see these open miracles in order to lose their slave mentality and transition to freedom.

Rabbi Benjamin Yudin, commenting on the Steipler's sefer, Chayei Olam, speaks about the need for open miracles at that time, when the Israelites needed a direct connection to Hashem. However, the presence of such miracles diminishes the free will of man. Having witnessed open miracles, man is expected to be more accountable. Even small transgressions are treated more seriously. The first mitzvah given to the Israelites on the eve of their freedom was the sanctification of the moon and the setting of the calendar. While a slave has no sense of time, a free people is always cognizant of time. The Israelites would later have a full calendar of holidays to observe.

We no longer live in an age of open miracles; they are now cloaked in nature. However, miracles are still around us. We just have to look a little harder and we can see Hashem's greatness in all we do. May we all experience our own personal miracles in all that we individually yearn for and for all of Klal Yisroel.

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DVAR TORAH

The next Shabbatot available to write a Dvar Torah are: Tetzaveh 2/12, Ki Tisa 2/19, Vayakhel 2/26 & Pekudei 3/5 If interested, please email Bill Greenbaum at dvar@lss.org.

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Women's Tefillah Group Presents: Chodesh Shevat Shiur With Rabbanit Mindy Schwartz Zolty



Redeemer of the Redeemer: Batyah the Daughter of Pharaoh

SUNDAY. JANUARY 9TH 8:00PM

> Join via Zoom Meeting ID: 876 7503 8328 Passcode: 337759

Men and women welcome To sponsor this shiur email info@lss.org

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Shabbat January 15th 4:00 pm

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Thursday January 13, 1pm

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Sunday, January 16th 7:30pm





Open to both men and women

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