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FROM THE RABBI

No stranger to controversy surrounding the lyrics he writes and the political positions he takes, Kanye West's recent rants on twitter, filled with vicious and outrageous anti semitism has taught us the immense power of words. Kanye's right to free speech crumbled when the sentiments he expressed were so egregious and so hateful. Even supporters were shocked and dismayed. To those who criticized him for his words – including his ex-wife, Kim Kardashian - to the corporations who have severed their relationship with him, often at great financial loss, we owe a heartfelt thank you. See the articles linked below for more on the what was said, who criticized him and which companies severed their ties with him.

This week's Torah portion – Noach contains two well-known stories – one about the Flood which destroyed the world and the other about the Tower Builders. Words and language figure prominently in both stories. In the Tower Builder story, God multiplied languages spoken by people, because the "devarim achadim – singular, single language" spoken by everyone was apparently being used to hurt and oppress humans and threatened to undermine and destroy the ultimate goals of Creation. In the story of Noah, it is less the role of words but the role of refraining from words which is at the core of the story. Noah is criticized in Jewish tradition – in spite of his being singled out for salvation – for his silence. He is not depicted as saying anything that might have saved the world, or might have allowed a few more people onto the Ark. The ark is called the "teivah". In Hebrew, teivah also means word!

On Shabbat we will explore the role of words in the parsha and we will understand a more deeply the important lesson we must learn from Kanye West.

So...I hope to see you in shul!

Shabbat Shalom

Rabbi Chaitovsky.

INFORMATION AND INSPIRATION

<u>Kanye West and the Power of Words</u>, Elliot Mathias

<u>Why We Are Shelving Our Kanye West Documentary</u>, The Heads of MRC

<u>The Courage to Live with Uncertainty</u>, Rabbi Jonathan Sacks, zt"l

FRIDAY AND SHABBAT: OCTOBER 28-OCTOBER 29/CHESHVAN 3/4

Candle Lighting 5:43 PM
Kabbalat Shabbat with TDK 5:50 PM

Shabbat Morning Services:

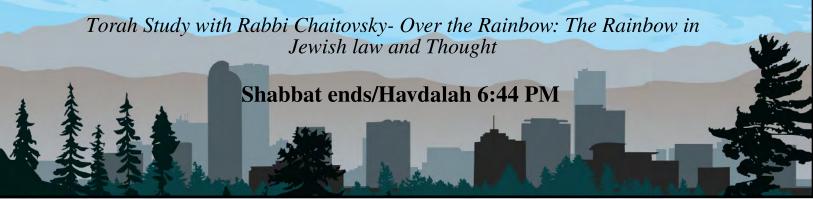
Chapel/Shaarei Simcha - 9:00 AM Main Sanctuary - 9:45 AM

Torah portion-Noach 6:9-11:32(AS 30)

Haftorah-Rani Akarah-Isaiah 54:1-54:10 (AS 1131)

Kiddush is co-sponsored by Andrew and Marla Tiktin in memory of Marla's mother, Diane Manning z"l on the anniversary of her Yahrzeit and by BMH-BJ.

Joint BMH-BJ/TDK Mincha in the Chapel at 5:45 PM



Minyan Next Week: Oct 30-Nov 4th

Sunday 8:30 AM

Monday and Thursday 6:30 AM

Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday 6:45 AM

Attendance helps guarantee a minyan for those saying kaddish and is a great mitzvah! Come for minyan and stay for a cup of coffee and pastry.

Sponsored this week by BMH-BJ







Refuah Sheleima/Speedy Recovery

Avraham Issur ben Chaya, Joe Bean (Yosef HaLevi ben Rachel),
Avraham ben Sara, Bracha bat Basha, Esther bat Chana, Linda Fox,
Jeff Geller, Linda Gornbein, Debbie Greenberg (Devorah Leah bat Ita
Liba), Elaine Greenberg, Francine Greenberg (Feige Esther bat Ita Liba),
Leib ben Chasha, Yitzchak ben Beile (Isaac Krajmalnik), Shraga Feivel ben
Sima (Fabian Krajmalnik), Sharon Kahn Miller (Sara Gibora bat Feigel),
Jeff and Miriam Miller, Mordechai Refael ben Perel, Barbara Oxman,
Harold Rosen (Chaim Fidel ben Fruma), Rivka Aviva bat Esther,
Ron Saliman, Lilian Schaeffer, Dr. William Silvers (Zev Shmuel
Ben Heleina), Kenneth Solovy, Jay Stark, Yaakov ben Rivka, Valerie Wolf,
Pam Zeldin

Classes This Week

Daily - Daf Yomi - Rabbi Fleischmann - 7:30 AM/60 minutes after Shabbat on Saturday night

WhatsApp Dial in number: 701-802-5213; Access code: 8622667 Online meeting ID: mfleischmann7)

Monday-Sefer haChinuch with Rabbi Stern 8 PM (Miller LIbrary)

Tueseday-Parsha Problems -Rabbi Chaitovsky 7:15 PM(zoom) will not meet on Nov 1st.

Wednesday-Devarim Verse by Verse Rabbi Chaitovsky 7:45 AM(zoom)

Click Here for Tues/Wed Zoom Link

Thursday - Ellyn Hutt - 11 AM (Zoom) - CLICK HERE

Practical Parsha - Shabbat morning at 10:30 AM with Sara Wolfe (Library)



Friday October 28, 2022 / 3 Cheshvan 5783

David R. Barocas, Dr. Robert S. Baum, Sylvia Bernstein, Lila Botnick, Dov Baer Buchalter, Ida Davis Goldberg, Helen Hait, Sarah Berkel Hammer, Leizer Molk, Avraham Preiss, Mark Vladimar Saks, Max Schiff, Leo Tepper, Abner Wagman

Shabbat October 29, 2022 / 4 Cheshvan 5783

Rose Boxer, Lillian Buchman, Sam B. Cohan, Harold Cohen, Lydia Geller, Sidney Golden, Frances Frada Karsh, Sadie Leiser, Izzie Levitt, Sarah Mandel, Ann Needler, Barnet Nemirow, Lena Pringle, Gertrude Schachet, Blumeh Steinberg, Frieda Toltz, Rowena Zelkind

Sunday October 30, 2022 / 5 Cheshvan 5783

Hershel Bolshoun, Rochelle Annette Conway, Ruth Dorman, Irving Isadore Flink,
Norman Gardenswartz, Morris Goldberg, Julius Halpern, Irving Isaacson, Sarah B. Kiesler,
Esther Korklin, Abraham Lenefsky, Leonid Lerman, Leah Lettes, Harold Leventhal,
Judith Bea Lichtenberg, Isaac Mellman, Fannie Perlman, Samuel Rosenberg,
Lynette Rubenstein, Louis Shapiro, Gizella Sink, Lena Smith, Morris (Moe) Snyder,
Jacob Solomon, Anna Sundell, Moe Viders, Sam Wolf

Monday October 31, 2022 / 6 Cheshvan 5783

Lorraine Baer, Aleksandra Baram, Don Bemel, Miryam Benowitz, Sigmund Blum, Abe Brown, Milton G. Cohen, Nellie Corash, Martin DeYoung, Lena Feldman, Katie Friedman, Morris D. Friedman, Ray Goldberg, Irving Greenspoon, Marvin Hayutin, Manny Kamen, Louis Katz, Florence Kippur, Nathan Margulies, Bela Neulander, Philip Shaiman, Ann Sholiton

Tuesday November 1, 2022 / 7 Cheshvan 5783

Ilse Blaugrund, Simche Meyer Bok, Theresa Ehrle, Norman Feingold, Benjamin Fine, Frieda Freed, Max Goldstein, Ben Greene, Lisabeth Gross, Fannie Kamensky, Leibe Kirkelis, Olga Klebanov, Murray Levy, Lillian Lewis, Joseph Lipp, Erik Madison, Marie Meier, Minnie Meyers, Selma Peltz, Norman Pluss, Bette E. Rashbaum, Sadie Scribner, Herbert Shecter, Max K. Sigman, Samuel Stein, Alice Stuhlbarg, Jehuda Szliowicz, Keneth Tedoff, Sam Veta, Ida Wiessenberger

Wednesday November 2, 2022 / 8 Cheshvan 5783

Jessie Agron, Gloria Balgley, Lawrence Bernstein, Stephen A. Brandt, Mary Brooks, Lottie Cohen, Morris Cohen, Anthony Cook, Lena Felsen, Rudy Fishbach, Enta Giverz, David Greenstein, Max Herz, Goldie Kaplan, Rina Kleyman, Ethel Krakover, Hyman Paul Miller, Arnold Moss, Ben A. Radetsky, Alexander Raphael, Donald "Don" Rosen, Rebecca Settle, Suzanne Fraitag Shapiro, Ethel Shraiberg, Mark Shraiberg, Hyman Sicker, Elsa Towbin, Inna Tsiporkina, Blanche Weiss, Dorothy Zipes

Thursday November 3, 2022 / 9 Cheshvan 5783

Larry Bernstein, Lillian Camins, Ida Charney, Sam Davis, Flora Dulberg, David Friedman, Ronnie Frosch, David Hyman Goldberg, Marilyn Goldberg, Yetta Greenberg, Stanley Hailpern, Samuel Aaron Kaminsky, Gerald Kessel, Ida Kramer, Arnold Lash, Israel Lehrer, Phil Levine, Jack Levy, Else Lier, Harry Mermelstein, Hym Rehabi, Sharon Siegel, Philip S. Sobel, Fan Tarlie, Max Toplitzky



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or by appointment by calling 303-951-8238

Fumba

Tuesdays, 2:15 pm in the BMH-BJ Gallery

Join Sara Wolfe for a women's, high energy Zumba class

email Sara at: swolfe@theje.com for

registration details and payment information

Ditch the workout, join the party

CHAVURAH PROGRAMS

Would you like to join a Chavurah???

Meet other members of BMH/BJ and make new friends. If you are interested, please contact Elaine Feldman @elainefeldman@comcast.net or call Elaine at 720-324-8861. She is gathering names and there will be a get together at the Feldman house in November.



Mount Nebo Memorial Park and Cemetery is conducting it's annual gift campaign and fundraiser. To donate on-line visit info@mountnebocemetery.com. By mail, Mount Nebo Memorial Park, attention Jay A. Siegel, Administrator, 560 South Monaco Parkway, Denver, Colorado 80224. Questions or for general information contact Jay at 303-951-8236. Mount Nebo is a Colorado non-profit and any gifts are fully tax-deductible



October 2022

Dear Congregants and Friends of BMH-BJ,

We have heard from so many of you as to how much you enjoyed the High Holy Days services this year, both in person and online, finding them fulfilling and inspirational. It was wonderful hosting four minyanim from three diverse congregations, as well as offering classes and workshops on each day of Rosh Hashana and Yom Kippur. Our building was full of people and filled with a palpable and vibrant energy.

We wish to ask you to please consider participating in the BMH-BJ High Holy Day Appeal. Your kindness is truly appreciated. The future depends on you--your participation, your ideas, your heart and yes, your financial support. Your contribution to BMH-BJ High Holy Day Appeal will ensure the continuation of our synagogue for generations to come.

Every contribution makes a difference. We appreciate your past support and know you share the passion for our Congregational family. The Colorado Child Care Contribution Credit is still available for any donation of \$450 or more. Please consult your tax advisor.

Please send in your pledge card when you receive it in the mail, call us at 303-388-4203 or donate on our website under the donate page type High Holy Day Appeal 2022.

Wishing you a wonderful New Year.

Rabbi Chaitovsky

Cantor Martin Goldstein

Jerry Rotenberg

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President -BMH-BJ

Executive Director

YOUNG PROFESSIONALS

Communication Lunch



- Featuring a discussion on proper communication in all relationships, with Rabbi Leban
- Vegetarian Chili Bar
- \$12 a person
- Saturday December 1012:30 pm in Fisher Hal
- **9** 560 S Monaco Pkwy, Denver, CO 80224

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