

CONGREGATION TORAH OHR

MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT DAVE CHESLOW



I get letters...

I am happy to report that I still get lots of communication from members: emails, phone calls, texts, and personal conversations. Recently, two important issues have been raised. While these two matters are different, the basic cause is the same.

First, I've been asked why we have been repeating the need to burn the mortgage, and at the same time, we have kicked off the Sefer Torah project. Why are we always asking for money? It's no secret that debt is the enemy of all organizations; rising interest payments crowd out other ways to use our cash. The sooner we pay off the mortgage, the sooner we free up funds for more of the programs we all enjoy. The "Burn the Mortgage" campaign was designed to encourage broad participation among the membership. You can choose to pay \$500/year for three years or \$300/year for five years. Three hundred dollars per year works out to less than one dollar per day. Most of us would not miss one dollar a day. The Men's Club's Sefer Torah project was started in recognition of the fact that Torah Ohr is short Torah scrolls. When a Yom Tov occurs and multiple Minyanim are taking place, the Gabbaim need to be shifting Sifrei Torah from room to room, causing delays in the services and extra labor for our hardworking Gabbaim. You can participate with any one of multiple donation amounts. We all can be partners in the great Mitzvah of writing a Sefer Torah.

Someone left me a nasty, disrespectful and anonymous note complaining about the number of people who were attending the Shabbat Hashkama Minyan during the Yeshiva weeks. Usually, I ignore impolite comments and unsigned letters. In this case, however, I am writing about it here because this situation has been going on for as long as Mindle and I have been in Torah Ohr, I have given it much thought, and am looking for a solution. The Bet Midrash is tight for the group who daven there on Shabbat during the busy guest weeks. Even though we did expand our facility, we still have what Rabbi Teitz, Z"L called "nachasdi ke tzores." More people want to pray at 7:30 on Shabbat morning than can fit comfortably in the Bet Midrash. There is no other space to move this Tefilah: the upstairs social hall has the Nusach Sefard Minyan starting at 8:30, the Minyan in the main Shul also starts at 8:30, and the West Wing Minyan commences at 9:00. We have considered renovating the eastern part of the building by moving the offices upstairs and expanding the Bet Medrash. This idea was rejected because the expense would be large, and the administrative office, Rabbi Yasgur's study and my office all need to be convenient for members who need to conduct business with the office or meet with the Rabbi or me. Last Shabbat, the seating was slightly reconfigured and folding chairs were brought in. This plan seemed to work well. Let's hope this is the answer.

What is the common thread here? Torah Ohr, Baruch Hashem, is thriving, with new members joining almost every week. In the last twelve months we enrolled 80 new members! Our goal is to do the best possible job of working together to serve our wonderful community.

Keep those emails, texts, and phone calls coming. I look forward to seeing you at the Shul's Annual Dinner and the yearly meeting next month.

Shabbat Shalom,
Dave

Sisterhood invites you to join us for a Shabbat Mevorchim Kiddush
Immediately following the Main Sanctuary Shacharit
(please wait for Kiddush to be said in the Sanctuary)

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SHABBAT MEVORCHIM

SHABBAT TIMES

Candle Lighting

Earliest with bracha	4:47 pm
Standard	5:36 pm
Mishna Yomit	5:20 pm
Mincha/Kabbalat Shabbat/Ma'ariv	5:35 pm

SHABBAT

Shacharit—Beit Midrash	7:30 am
Shacharit—Main Sanctuary	8:30 am
Shacharit (Nusach Sefard)—Upstairs	8:30 am
Shacharit—West Wing Sanctuary	9:00 am
Latest Shema	9:50 am
Daf Yomi—Main Sanctuary	3:35 pm
Mishna Yomit—Main Sanctuary	4:35 pm
Rabbi's Shiur —Main Sanctuary	4:50 pm
Mincha in the Main Sanctuary followed by Seudah Shlisheet (Dvar Torah will be given by Rabbi Uri Greenspan)	5:20 pm
Ma'ariv—Main Sanctuary	6:25 pm
Shabbat ends	6:32 pm

This Shabbat is Shabbat Mevorchim.

Rosh Chodesh Shevat is on Monday, January 23. The new moon will make its first appearance on Saturday evening, 56 minutes and 10 chalakim after 11:00 pm Jerusalem time.



WEEKDAY TIMES

Earliest Davening: 5:58 am (Fri-Thurs)*

Earliest Tallit/Tefillin: 6:25 am (Fri-Thurs)*

Shacharit: 7:00 am—Beit Midrash,

7:30 am—Main Sanctuary,

(beginning 1/25) 8:00 am (Nusach Sefard)—West Wing Sanctuary**

8:30 am Upstairs Sanctuary

Daf Yomi: following the 7:30 am Minyan—Beit Midrash

Mishnah Yomit: 15 minutes before Mincha

Mincha/Ma'ariv: 5:40 pm—Main Sanctuary

Mishna Berurah: After Ma'ariv—Daf Room

Plag (Sun-Thurs): 4:48-4:51 pm

Shkiah: (Sun-Thurs): 5:56-5:59 pm

Daven Mincha prior to: 5:56 pm

Repeat Kriat Shema: after 6:35 pm*

(*Latest time during the week)

** (If the West Wing needs to be used for a Shul event or its preparation, there may be mornings when the Nusach Sefard minyan will not take place.)

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MESSAGE FROM THE RABBI

WHY TWO BLESSINGS?

Each weekday Amidah includes a middle section of thirteen requests. I was about to write “unique requests,” but I hesitated. The second request begins הַשִּׁיבֵנו אֲבוֹנוֹ לְתוֹרָתְךָ. Bring us back our Father; it concludes בְּרוּךְ אַתָּה ד' הַרוֹצֵה בְּתַשׁוּבָה Blessed are You HaShem who desires repentance. The following request asks HaShem to forgive us, beginning with the phrase אָבוֹנוֹ, אֲבוֹנוֹ. Forgive us, our Father. It concludes חֲנוּן הַמְרַבֵּה לְסִלַּח בְּרוּךְ אַתָּה ד', חֲנוּן הַמְרַבֵּה לְסִלַּח, Blessed are You HaShem Who pardons abundantly.

Why are these two blessings/requests and not a single blessing incorporating the process of Teshuva and the forgiveness it will help us achieve?

The Chafetz Chaim raises a question on our parasha. The answer proposed by the Chafetz Chaim will help us address the question on the Amidah. Here is the question: After HaShem instructed Moshe and Aharon to appear before Paroh and demand that the King send B'nai Yisrael out from Egypt, HaShem informs Moshe:

וְאֲנִי אֶקְשֶׁה אֶת־לֵב פַּרְעֹה
I will harden Paroh's heart.

The results of HaShem's actions to harden the heart of Paroh will cause the King to reject any notion of releasing the Jewish people. How can that be, asks the Chafetz Chaim. The gates of Teshuva are supposed to be open to all, even to repeat sinners, even for those whose sins are among the most serious.

The question can be flipped to create the answer. It is not easy to take the path of remorse for the transgressions which a person commits. The institution of Teshuva is a gift from HaShem; but, we need HaShem's help in order to enter the path of Teshuva and to stay the course. HaShem decides who is entitled to the Divine help needed. Some who transgress are blessed with HaShem's help to enter the road of Teshuva; some who transgress are denied entry. To repent is difficult; without HaShem's help, it is close to impossible.

While addressing a question on the parasha, the Chafetz Chaim has answered our question on the Amidah, as well. Before we can be forgiven for our transgressions, we must travel the road of Teshuva. Not an easy task. HaShem helps many, but not all. So, first we pray, הַשִּׁיבֵנו bring us back HaShem; get us on the road. I cannot succeed without Your help. After we succeed in our process of Teshuva, we ask, אָבוֹנוֹ, אֲבוֹנוֹ. Forgive us.

Rabbi Yochanan, in Tractate Berachot, teaches us the value of connecting the blessing of Redemption (Ga'al Yisrael) to the Amidah. What is the basis for this connection?

Rav Soloveitchik explained that the requests of the Amidah also bring redemption, personal redemption. There is much in our prayers which we do not yet fully understand. May the coming month of Shevat, the harbinger of nature's growth, promote our spiritual growth through a deeper focus on davening.

Shabbat Shalom,
Rabbi Benjamin S. Yasgur



Upcoming Classes & Speakers

Rabbis on Rotation

- **Rabbi David Jacobowitz**, Education Committee Co-Chair, is offering "**A Lens on Israel Via Film**" on Mondays, **January 16, 23, 30 at 10 am**, a series focusing on key issues in Israeli society. Each week, we will view a short, original and engaging Israeli film and discuss its theme, structure and implications. The films were created at the Maale Film School in Jerusalem, where students explore the intersection of Judaism and modern life. Maale's mission is to provide religious students with the tools and training to create meaningful films reflecting their lives and beliefs. Maale films are screened and win awards at film festivals world-wide. Our goal is to express and share our thoughts regarding each film's insights into religion, security, society and family in contemporary Israel.
- The four Mondays in February will feature **Rabbi Kenneth Greene** addressing the topic of "**Abortion in Light of the Overturning of Roe vs. Wade: Can Jewish Legal and Ethical Values Influence American Public Policy?**" After examining a number of reactions by various organizations and individuals representing the Orthodox community, we will examine Biblical and Rabbinic sources and discuss the positions taken by various later authorities, in an effort to understand that classical Judaism is neither all pro-choice nor entirely anti-abortion and that the legal decisions by individual states could impact the lives of many women.

Other Offerings of Interest

- On Monday **Feb. 6 at 1 pm**, **Second Generation of Century Village** and the **Men's Club of Congregation Torah Ohr** will sponsor a presentation about the film "**iMordecai**". A trailer of the film will be shown and we will meet the real Mordecai and his son Marvin Samel, who produced the film.

The award-winning film opens that week at the Shadowood theater. The heart-warming true story stars Academy Award-nominated and two-time Emmy-winning actor Judd Hirsch as Mordecai Samels and Academy Award-nominated actress Carol Kane as his wife, Fela, both survivors from Poland, who are now living in Miami. Their son, Marvin, played by Academy Award-nominated actor Sean Astin, is an ambitious cigar maker trying to support his own family while still being there for his aging parents. When Mordecai's ancient flip phone breaks, he starts to take lessons from Nina, a young employee of Ultratech. She tutors Mordecai on his new iPhone, opening him up to all kinds of novel experiences and adventures, which makes him feel like a kid again. An uplifting comedy and a love letter to the city of Miami, "iMordecai" urges us all to live the one life we have to the fullest. All are welcome for what promises to be a very exciting and interesting program.

- Also on **Monday, February 6 at 8 pm** we will be privileged to hear from **Douglas Altabef**, Chairman of the Board of **Im Tirtzu**. He will discuss, among other topics, the **new Israeli government** and **misperceptions** it has aroused.

Im Tirtzu is literally fighting for the Jewish soul of the State of Israel. It is **the largest grassroots Zionist movement in Israel today**. This non-profit group is courageously battling Israeli anti-Zionist organizations who are funded by foreign governments and the New Israel Fund. These organizations have been seeking to harm IDF soldiers and subvert Israeli policies and sovereignty. In addition, Im Tirtzu works closely with a variety of groups within Israeli society, including wounded IDF veterans and bereaved families. As people who are concerned about Israel and its future, it is important for us to show our support and learn about the work of Im Tirzu.



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UPCOMING PROGRAMS

Men's Club Book Review—Monday, 1/23, at 8:00 pm—In the Auditorium

Avi Frydman will review "Spies For No Country" by Matti Friedman

Daf Yomi Siyum for Masechet Nedarim—Tuesday 1/24, following the shiur—In the Beit Midrash

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Singles Mingles—Wednesday, 1/25, at 12:00 pm—In the Auditorium

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Congregation Torah Ohr Annual Dinner—Sunday, 2/5, at 5:00 pm—In the Simcha Hall

See you there! (Reservations are now closed)

Second Generation of Boca Raton & Men's Club—Monday, 2/6 at 1:00 pm—In the Main Sanctuary

Presentation on the film "iMordechai"

Im Tirtzu —Monday, 2/6 at 8:00 pm—In the Main Sanctuary

Discussion on the new Israeli Government

Men's Club Book Review—Monday, 2/13, at 8:00 pm—In the Auditorium

Marty Levine will review "The Gold of Exodus" by Howard Blum

Sisterhood Fashion Show—Wednesday, 2/15, at Noon—In the Auditorium

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The Hattie Thum Women's Tehillim Group meets Sundays at 9:15 am in the Daf Room.



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Monday, January 23rd at 9:00 am in the West Wing Sanctuary

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D'var Torah will be given by *Arlene Milgram*

Current Classes:

Mondays:

10:00 am—Rabbis On Rotation: — Rabbi David Jacobowitz "A Lens on Israel Via Film" - New Library

11:00 am—Robin Einbinder "Three Episodes in Shoftim" - Beit Midrash

Tuesdays:

11:15 am—Dave Cheslow "Women's Wisdom Series — Talmud for Women" - Beit Midrash

Wednesdays:

10:00 am—Marty Levine "Women in Tanach: The Good, The Bad, and The In-Between" - Beit Midrash

11:00 am—Rabbi Mordechai Eskovitz "The Good, The Bad, and The Amazing" - Beit Midrash

7:30 pm—Evening Beit Midrash: January 4 through 25— Rabbi Moshe Wolvovsky "Tanya in Three"

Thursdays:

10:00 am—Malka Morris "The Development of the Oral Law: 17th to 18th Centuries" - Beit Midrash

11:00 am—Rabbi Benjamin Yasgur "Parshat HaShavua Investigations (P.I.)" - Beit Midrash

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Thursday, February 16(?)

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Esther Friedman ה'ע, sister of **Shifra Colman** from **Tamar & Gerald Goldfisher**
her mother, *Devorah bat Reuven Chaim* ה'ע from **Sylvia Gutis**
his mother, *Pesha Brina bat Yosef* ה'ע from **Norman & Joan Menseh**
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For the Refuah Shelayma of
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In Memory Of
his mother, *Nechama bat Avram Dovid* ה'ע from **Abraham & Beatrice Ainspan**
her mother, *Rochel bat Yaakov* ה'ע from **Beatrice & Abraham Ainspan**

LIBRARY FUND

In Honor Of
the birth of **Phyllis & Neil Nissel's** great-grandson from **Marcia Brauner**

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In Memory Of
his father, *Shalom ben Shaul Perach* ה'ע from **David & Seena Miodownik**
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her mother, *Gittel bat Yaacov* ה'ע from **Anne Rudoler**

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The person who found Sally's gold earring from **Sally & Mendy Klein**

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In Honor Of
Mike Poretsky's special birthday from **Annette Guida**

In Memory Of
her parents, *Miasha bat Moshe* ה'ע and *Aharon ben Yankel* ה'ע from **Leona & Walter Friedrichs**
her husband *בן יונתן ע'ה* from **Barbara Galandauer**
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his sister, *Yita bat Bezalel* ה'ע from **Harvey & Leonore Greenberg**
her father, *Yaakov Yosef ben Avrohom* ה'ע from **Leonore & Harvey Greenberg**
Esther Friedman ה'ע, sister of **Shifra Colman** from **Ruth & Gideon Losinski**

On the Occasion of

Harvey's 80th birthday from **Leonore & Harvey Greenberg**
her granddaughter's wedding from **Terri Farkas**
their grandson's 16th birthday from **Marcia & Gary Schrager**
Richard Werden and Sophia Hletko's birthdays from **Bea Werden**

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In Memory Of

Bella Dolinsky (*Baila bat Shraga Feivel* ה'ע) from **Wendy & Jay Goldberg**
his mother, *Henya Rochel bat Shlomo* ה'ע from **Gary & Toby Greenstein**
their friend, Ben Stern (*Binyamin ben Avraham Mordechai* ה'ע) from **Judith & Herbert Jeremias**
Bella Dolinsky (*Baila bat Shraga Feivel* ה'ע) from **Judith & Herbert Jeremias**
Esther Friedman ה'ע, sister of **Shifra Colman** from **Judith & Herbert Jeremias**
his stepfather, *Nachman ben Yitzchok HaCohan* ה'ע from **Dr. Jack & Sheila Prince**
Esther Friedman ה'ע, sister of **Shifra Colman** from **Sheryle & Ted Spar**

DEDICATION OPPORTUNITIES

Donations made to ANY of our Shul's funds (including, but not limited to: Baby Gemach, Bikur Cholim, Chevra Kadisha, Expansion, Library Fund, Shiva Committee, Seudah Shlisheet Fund, Tomchei Yisrael, Torah Fund, and the Rabbi's Chesed Fund) are listed in The Monthly Bulletin.

Dedications may be made for occasions such as: thanking someone, in appreciation, in celebration, in honor, in memory, or for a Refuah Shelaymah.

Forms are available on our website (under printable forms) and in the Shul lobby—or [click here](#) to print.



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Sisterhood Happenings

by **Andrea Dolny, Shoshanna Kimmel & Giselle Lazerowitz**

Sisterhood Co-Presidents

As Sisterhood's new Presidium, we are very excited about the new and fresh projects we have up our sleeves. We hope that you will feel the same.

The Sisterhood paid-up membership and installation event, which was chaired by **Karen Moskowitz**, was a huge success. With almost 200 women in attendance, everyone was thrilled with the opportunity to socialize with friends as well as to be able to partake in the beautiful buffet that Karen coordinated with her many volunteers.

When you entered the simcha hall and gazed your eyes on how lovely the tables were set up, you got the feeling that you were entering the ballroom of a five star hotel. After a fitting farewell to our past Presidents and introductions to our new officers, we heard a very informative presentation on organizing ourselves by Rachel Sicherman. Our resident florist, **Sarah Katz**, created a beautiful floral arrangement that she generously donated to be auctioned off that afternoon. Thank you again, to all those who made this afternoon such a great success.

The Sisterhood's next program is our annual fashion show which has always been a very successful social event. On February 15 at high noon 12:00pm, our ladies will be transformed into high fashion models displaying beautiful outfits from Sondro's. A delicious lunch will also be served as well as offering amazing raffles. So please make sure you get your paid reservation in by February 8th. This promises to be an exciting event, so don't miss this wonderful afternoon. The cost is \$40 for sisterhood members and \$50 for non-members.

Please keep in mind that the Shabbos Mevorchim Kiddush sponsored by the Sisterhood in our Shul lobby after davening is in need of committed volunteers. We need men and women to enable these kiddushim to continue. Your help is greatly needed and appreciated!!!

It's never too late to join the fun.

Looking forward to seeing you soon,

Andrea Dolny, Shoshanna Kimmel & Giselle Lazerowitz

We continue to sell beautiful **tribute cards**. These are all-occasion cards that have ample room inside for you to write a personal note. Please support our Sisterhood by buying these versatile cards to wish your friends and family Mazel Tov, to honor others, or to send condolences.

Cards come in packs of **3 for only \$10/pack**. Purchase them in the Shul Office during regular business hours.



Men's Club Update

by Dave Love

Men's Club President



Our monthly Book Reviews under the chairmanship of **Sam Colman** continue with increased interest and enthusiasm for which we thank our presenters. Our next presentation will be this coming Monday, January 23rd, when **Avi Frydman** will discuss "Spies for No Country" which promises to be most interesting. Please save the date and join us for a most entertaining evening. On February 13th, **Marty Levine** will discuss "The Gold of Exodus." The presentation by **Helen Garfinkel** of "A Fortress in Brooklyn: Race, Real Estate and the Making of Hasidic Williamsburg," which was cancelled at the last minute, is now rescheduled for Monday, February 20th. On February 27th, **Mira Sennett** will discuss "The Bridal Canopy" as well as "Journey to the End of the Millenia".

We have sold out the 45 tickets we secured for the TEAM ISRAEL exhibition baseball game against the MIAMI MARLINS for what promises to be a great game. If anyone is still interested, please contact Dave Love to be placed on the waiting list. The game is March 8th at 6:30pm at Roger Dean Stadium in Jupiter.

Arrangements are underway for the ordering of wine for Pesach and we hope to have the price list out by mid-February.

As we plan ahead, in as much as the first Seder this year will be on a Wednesday evening, we hope to have sufficient interest in a Shabbos Hagadol catered meal program in the ballroom, Friday, March 31st & Shabbos, April 1st.

The campaign, under the chairmanship of **Martin Fisch**, to write our own Sefer Torah is well underway with the Sofer having already completed Sefer Shemos. The campaign is designed for 100% participation with individual dedications available starting at \$100. Please contact Martin Fisch directly at 917-613-5148 to indicate your interest, be it for a Sefer, Parsha, Aliya, Word, Letter, Special Reading, etc. Remember we all have an obligation to "write" our own Sefer Torah. Let this be yours.

Once again, we encourage everyone to purchase GIFT CARDS. As we have stated hundreds of times, we all shop at AROMA, GROVE, GLICKS, or eat at CENTURY GRILL. By your use of the CARD, we receive 10% from the vendor; so please purchase and use the gift cards! They are available in \$50 & \$100 denominations.



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For more information,

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OFFICIAL NOTICE OF CONGREGATION TORAH OHR'S ANNUAL MEETING & BOARD ELECTION

The Annual Meeting and Shul Election will be held on Sunday morning, February 19th. Refreshments will be served at 10:30am and the meeting will begin at 11:00am. The meeting will include a report by each of our Shul's Committee Chairmen as well as election of the 2023-24 Board of Directors. The Shul's proposed slate for Board of Directors will be published in advance of the meeting, in accordance with our By-laws.

Paragraph IX(d) of the Shul's Bylaws provides the procedure for any nominations by petition, as follows: Nominations by petition of members in good standing, signed by at least thirty (30) members in good standing, may be submitted to the President (David Cheslow) and Chair of the Nominating Committee (Allan Mosak) not less than fifteen (15) days prior to the February Annual Meeting (i.e., by February 4th). If petitions are received and the signatures are verified as those of members in good standing (up-to-date on their dues and Capital Repair Fund), then a closed ballot election will be held at the Annual Meeting and the procedures will be publicized.

PLEASE NOTE: In order to attend the meeting and/or vote, the By-laws state that a member must be in good standing, which means that all those who want to cast a vote must be current in their financial obligations to the Shul.



Annual Meeting

February 19, 2023
refreshments at 10:30am
meeting begins at 11:00am

Presentation of Budget and
Committee Reports
Election of Board of Directors

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