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Welcome to our Synagogue

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Parashat Vaera פרשת וארא
Shabbat January 16th 2021, ג' שבט תשפ"א / 3 Shvat 5781
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Shabbat Prayer Times

מנחה Minha	4:50 p.m.
הדלקת נרות Candle Lighting	4:48 p.m.
שחרית מנין החיד"א (ותיקין) Shaharit Ha'Hida Vatikim	6:50 a.m.
מנחה Minha	4:45 p.m.
שבע טוב Shabbat Ends	5:55 p.m.

Weekday Services at Medrash Torah Vehayim

שחרית Shaharit Sunday	
ותיקין Vatikim	7:05 a.m.
מקדימים Makdimim	8:00 a.m.
קבועים Kebuim	9:00 a.m.
שחרית Shaharit Weekdays	
ותיקין Vatikim	7:05 a.m.
מקדימים Makdimim	6:45 a.m.
קבועים Kebuim	8:15 a.m.
מנחה Minha	5:00 p.m.
ערבית Arbit	18 minutes after Sunset

Shabat Zemanim- Netz- נץ- 7:48 am, Keriat Shema- שקיעה- 9:32 am, Shekia- שקיעה- 5:08 pm

Mazal Tov

To: Mr. and Mrs. Joe and Nathalie Boussidan on the recent engagement of their son Shemuel Boussidan to Rachelle Obadia, daughter of Rabbi Yismach and Mrs. Serene Obadia of Flatbush, New York.

Proud Grandparents: Mr. and Mrs. Sam and Kelly Boussidan, Mr. and Mrs. Simon and Hortensia Farache Levy

To: Yael & Rafi Wiesen on the birth of a baby girl.

Proud Grand Parents: Mr. and Mrs. Ze'ev & Helene Saban, Dr Mark and Susan Wiesen

Proud Great Grand Mothers: Mrs. Messodi Ohayon, Mrs. Tzvi'a Wiesen and Mrs. Rivkah Remer

To: Jaclyn and Eric Landau on the birth of a baby boy

Proud Grand Parents: Mr. and Mrs. Elia and Adina Toby, Mr. and Mrs. Harvey and Miriam Landau

Proud Great Grandparents: Mr. and Mrs. Samuel and Alegria Toby

To: Isaac and Tiffany Nacson on the birth of a baby boy

Proud Grand Parents: Mr. and Mrs. Shabtai and Michelle Nacson and Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy and Kitty Halioua

Nahalot

Jack Benaim ז"ל 3 Shevat / Shabbat January 16th
Jack Buzaglo ז"ל, 4 Shevat / Sunday January 17th
Gimol Bendelac ז"ל, Ethel Korman ז"ל, Abraham Yaakov Delmar ז"ל 5 Shevat / Monday January 18th
Simcha Soudry ז"ל 7 Shevat / Wednesday January 20th
Isaac Cohen ז"ל, Menasse Benzaquen ז"ל 9 Shevat / Friday January 22nd

Nahalot for the following week

Sara Benarroch ז"ל, Joseph Amar ז"ל, Simon Serfaty ז"ל 10 Shevat / Shabbat January 23rd
Ayouch Azoulay ז"ל, Yaakov Cohen ז"ל 11 Shevat / Sunday January 24th
Nissim Dadoun ז"ל 12 Shevat / Monday January 25th
Abraham Bentolila ז"ל, Rabbi Shmuel Edery ז"ל, Mojluf Ruah ז"ל 13 Shevat / Tuesday January 26th
Ami Yakov Danieli ז"ל 14 Shevat / Wednesday January 27th
Victor Allal ז"ל 16 Shevat / Friday January 29th

Synagogue News

COVID-19 Restrictions Update

Given the new government of Ontario restrictions, the SKC and SKC office will be closed to all until February 11, 2021, except for prayer services. If you need to reach the office, please do so by e-mail at social@kehilacentre.com rather than telephone to ensure a timely response. Payments should be mailed to the synagogue or put in the drop-off box in the lobby.

Prayer Restrictions and Registration

With the recently announced York Region restrictions on synagogues we have moved to a registration system for all minyanim. You must register in advance to attend Tefila services at SKC. If you need help registering or do not have a computer, please call Sully in the office at 905-669-7654 x200 for help. People who do not register, will not be allowed to pray in the building. We would like to remind everyone that masks are mandatory from the moment that you step into the building and should not be removed or lowered while you are praying. If you cannot wear a mask, we recommend that you pray at home. We also ask that everyone respect social distancing restrictions at all times in order to minimize any risks and preserve safety. Please do not congregate in the building or in front of the building after Tefila. Not only does this increase the risk to all but people have reported our congregants to the authorities because of this.

Weekly Shiurim

Monday - Mishle/Proverbs (men and women all ages)
Tuesday - Halacha (university-aged boys)
Wednesday - Parashat HaShavua (Post-Seminary Girls)
Thursday - Parashat HaShavua (men and women all ages)
All classes at 8:00pm.
Sunday - Gemara Masechet Sotah 7:15am
Link <https://global.gotomeeting.com/join/450150709>

Weekly Shiur by Zachary Benatar

Join us weekly for inspirational words of wisdom on Judaism by

Zachary Benatar. Only half an hour weekly. Gain a deeper understanding of the world through Hashem's eyes. We look forward to having men and women tune in.

Every Monday at 2:45 p.m.

<https://us04web.zoom.us/j/75974587379?pwd=bDVheFZRnHuckVITE1NynBxa2R6QT09>. Meeting ID is 759 7458 7379
Passcode 12345

Torah Bites By Rabbi Kadoch

Parashat Vaera - פרשת וארא

Vaera 5776 - Naming after the wicked

Have you ever wondered why we come across names in our holy books of people who the source of their name is actually evil? One of the most famous Rabbis of the time of the Mishna was none other than Rabbi Yishmael- "Yishmael" the father of Islam who oppresses us until this day. Would anyone in our right mind call one of their children "Hitler", Or "Stalin"(may their name be erased)? Never! In this week's Parasha we are introduced to one of the descendants of Shimon, the son of Yaakov. His name is "Shaul ben HaKena'anite". This man, according to Yonatan ben Uziel was the infamous Zimri ben Salu; the individual who sinned with the Midyanite princess and caused countless of other Jews to worship the Ba'al Peor idol. He is called "Shaul" because he "lent himself" להשאיל sin.

There is a halacha that states that one may not call a person by the name of a rasha; as the pasuk in Mishle says ושם רשעים ירקב "And the name of the wicked will become rotten" (10:7). If this is so, how is the famous Shaul HaMelech, the first king of Israel called by this name? Although he was called Shaul, his monarchy was "lent" to him temporarily, his father should have not called him that name given that there was once a horrible person named ששאלו בן הכנענית who made many Jews sin! I present you with two answers by Rabbi

Aharon Shmuel Assad, the Head of the Bet Din in Szerdaherly, Romania.

1. If there was also a righteous person with that same name, one would be allowed to call a person with that name even though there was a person who was wicked that possessed the same name. In the case of Shaul, we find this name previously in the end of Parashat Vayishlach. There, we are introduced to 7 kings that ruled parts of the world who were very righteous. They kept the 7 Noahide laws in their entirety. The name of one of these Kings was ששאלו מרהובות הנהר. In addition to that, since the essence of the name is good, then we don't pay attention to the fact that there is a wicked person with the same name. This would explain why people in the time of the Mishna were called Yishmael (God will hear) or Eliezer (My God is my help).
2. Since the prohibition to call a person by the name of a wicked individual stems from the aforementioned pasuk of שם רשעים ירקב, that would mean that only from the moment that pasuk was written, does the prohibition apply i.e. Shlomo HaMelech. However, any generation which preceded Shlomo, did not have this prohibition in effect. Since Shaul HaMelech was before Shlomo, he would have been allowed to be called after ששאלו בן הכנענית since the prohibition did not take effect yet.

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