Shabbos Mevarchim Chodesh Tammuz
Rosh Chodesh will be Wednesday & Thursday

“The land we crossed to scout it out is a land that devours its inhabitants.” Bamidbar 13:32

G-d showed tremendous mercy to the spies. He made sure that a number of the Canaanites should die just as the meraglim were passing through the land. Instead of casting suspicious glances at the Jewish scouting party, the inhabitants would be just attending funerals. Wherever they went the spies saw huge crowds attending funerals, with hardly any traffic on the roads. These were ideal conditions for a scouting party, but the spies in their mind saw a completely different picture. They saw a terrible land where sickness prevails, a land which devours its people. They begin a slander campaign against the holy land and the rest is history.
Because of the spies’ slander against the land of Israel the Jewish people had to wander in the desert for forty years. How could the spies get it so wrong? The Steipler Gaon explains that from here we see a truism in life that people see what they want to see and hear what they want to hear. Many times, it’s our own personal agenda which causes us to see something a certain way. This is why you can have situations where people ask the same question to a great Rabbi for Halachic guidance and 5 people walk away with five different answers – because we hear what we want to hear. The spies came into the land subconsciously looking for something to criticize because of their own personal interest. They feared they would lose their political status in the land and therefore interpreted the large funerals as a land which devours its inhabitants. Had they surveyed the situation objectively they would have realized this was a temporary phenomenon orchestrated by G-d for their benefit.

Sefer: Rabbi Frand on the Parasha

Wishing you an inspiring Shabbos!
Rabbi Moshe Gruenstein

Yahrzeit Plaques Available

If you are interested in purchasing a permanent satin brass Yahrzeit Plaque for a dearly departed loved one on our beautiful automated Yahrzeit memorial displays in our main sanctuary, please contact David Herman or the Young Israel office. To order a plaque online, please use the website www.yiplaques.com.

Governor DeSantis signed the 2019-2020 state budget last Friday, including a record $2.5 million for Jewish day school security. Teach Florida thanks our elected officials for making our children’s safety a priority in a time of increased security threats. To become an advocate for your child email teachflorida@teachcoalition.org.

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- Mondays at 10:30AM – Ladies Tehillim Group in the Beis Midrash.
- Sunday after 8:00AM minyan, Monday-Friday after 7:00AM minyan – Daf Yomi with Rabbi Aryeh Citron.
- Save the date: Monday, December 2, 2019 – Violins of Hope – a premiere concert featuring an extraordinary collection of violins belonging to Jews during the Holocaust.

Congregational Family and Shul News

- Mazal Tov to Miriam & Heshie Greenblatt on the marriage of their granddaughter Tzipporah to Shai Hittman. Mazal Tov to parents Elie & Chani Greenblatt of Jerusalem, and Yerucham & Avigail Hittman of Betar.
- Mazal Tov to Rabbi and Mrs. Aryeh Citron on the occasion of their son Shragi receiving Smicha.
- Mazal Tov to Ruth & Irwin Shapiro upon the birth of a great-grandson, born to Sara & Josh Jay who are the children of Debbie & Dr. Ezra Feuer.

Refuah Sheleimah

- We wish refuah sheleimah to Allen Packer.

The Refuah Fund provides meals for families that are experiencing an illness or sitting Shiva. Please donate directly to the Young Israel indicating on your check, or alternative payment, that it is specifically for the Refuah Fund. Special thanks to Susan Gluck and Susan Packer for establishing and continuing this very important mitzvah. Thanks to everyone who already contributed to the Refuah fund!
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Eruv Bal Harbour

The Eruv in Bal Harbour includes the inner (western) walking path only. The pier at Haulover Cut is not included. We would like to emphasize that every Erev Shabbos, individuals should call the Eruv Hotline to make sure that the Eruv is operational prior to carrying on Shabbos. The number is 305-866-ERUV (3788). The Eruv message is recorded approximately two hours prior to Candle Lighting. Miami Beach Eruv web page: www.miamibeacheruv.com

Shabbat Dinner

During the winter months, Shabbat Dinners are available for purchase at local area restaurants such as Kosh and Backyard BBQ, both on Harding Ave. Please contact the restaurants directly for reservations, cost and availability.

Kiddush and Seudah Shlishit

Every Shabbos, the Young Israel has a beautiful Kiddush after Mussaf, as well as a Seudah Shlishit between Mincha and Maariv. Please join us!

If you are interested in sponsoring Kiddush or Seudah Shlishis, please contact Yakira at (305) 866-0203 or Max Dekelbaum (240) 832-5054

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