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**DAVENING SCHEDULE****Friday**Candle Lighting: 6:54 pm  
Mincha/Maariv: 6:55 pm**Shabbos Day**Shacharis: 8:30 am  
Mincha: 6:05 pm  
Maariv: 8:05 pm  
Shabbos is over after: 8:25 pm**Sunday**Shacharis: 8:00 am  
Mincha/Maariv: 6:45 pm**Monday-Friday**Shacharis: 6:30 am  
Mincha/Maariv: 6:45 pm**Next Shabbos- Ki Savo**Candle Lighting: 6:43 pm  
Friday Mincha: 6:45 pm**This Shabbos**

- 5:05: Rabbi Goldbrger's Shabbos shiur in Mesillas Yesharim.

**Nesivos Shalom Shiur**

Rabbi Goldberger has begun giving a shiur in Nesivos Shalom on "Rosh HaShanah" each night after Maariv for men. All men are invited and encouraged to join in.

**Agudah Scrip Program at TY**

Tiferes Yisroel is now participating in the Agudah Scrip Program. Scrip is available for purchase for \$1.25 each (Blue Scrip). \$1 goes to the meshulach, organization, or shul of your choice, and 25¢ finds its way back to Tiferes Yisroel. And when you put the scrip in the shul pushka, the entire \$1.25 goes to Tiferes Yisroel.

To place your scrip order now, or for more information, email scrip@tiferesyisroel.org.

Minimum purchase is 18 (\$22.50); maximum is 1,800 (\$2,250). Please pay by cash or check made out to Agudath Israel Charity Fund. Scrip will also be available for purchase at the TY Yard Sale this Sunday from 11am to 3pm. Thank you for supporting your shul.

**Yom Tov Seating**

Hillel asks, "If not now, when?" In less than three weeks the Yomim Nora'im will be upon us, and the time is now to place your order for Yom Tov seats. Priority seating time is past; the seat exchange and sign up for new seats is this Sunday, September 18. Non-member and Associate member seats will be assigned after September 25. Don't delay -- register online at [www.tiferesyisroel.org/high-holiday-seats-2016](http://www.tiferesyisroel.org/high-holiday-seats-2016). Because of the limited number of seats, the shul also requests full payment for seats along with your seating order. Please call Ari Blum at 410-358-5478 for any questions.

**TY Yard Sale**

The TY yard sale is scheduled for this Sunday from 11 am to 3 pm. If you would like to drop off your items early, you can store them in the Annex; if you need help getting in, contact Devorah Vidal 551-206-8691, or Dov Pear 443-255-7018. If you want to keep your items that don't sell, you should pick them up between 3 and 4 pm on Sunday; any items that are left will be donated to a local charity. Just in case we get rained out, we will have the yard sale on the following Sunday, September 25.

**Want to Be a "Minyanaire"?!** 

Want to impress your Creator? Looking for a way to increase your "spiritual equity"? Come join the TY minyan. We are looking for a few (10+) good men ages 13-120 to join our

daily minyan. Shacharis is at 6:30 am during the week, 8:30 am on Shabbos, and 8:00 am on Sundays. Mincha/Maariv begins 10 minutes before shkia; please check the seasonal davening schedule or the Lev Echad for exact times. Extra credit if you are one of the first ten in shul to daven.

**Upcoming TY Sisterhood Event**

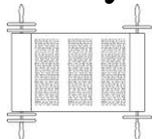
The TY Sisterhood presents an interactive CPR/FirstAid/AED workshop with Rachel Rosenstock, RN and CPR instructor for the American Red Cross. This informative, potentially life-saving, program will take place on November 20 from 11 am to 12:30 pm in the downstairs Simcha Hall. We are looking for a volunteer or two to coordinate "heart healthy" snacks. Please contact Rachel at [Irosenstockphoto@yahoo.com](mailto:Irosenstockphoto@yahoo.com) or 410-926-9315 to volunteer or to RSVP for the event. This program is for women and girls ages 10 and up.

**Mazel Tov to**

- Mordechai and Mori Goldberger on the birth of a baby boy. Mazel tov to the grandparents, Rabbi and Rebbetzin Goldberger, and Eric and Elaine Gerstenfeld, and to the great-grandmothers, Rebbetzin Ida Goldberger and Mrs. Zina Herman. May they be zoche l'hachniso bivriso shel Avraham Avinu bizmano ul'gadlo l'Torah l'chuppah ul'masim tovim. Shalom zachor tonight at 10 pm at the home of Eric and Elaine Gerstenfeld, 3707 W. Strathmore Avenue. The bris will be this Monday morning immediately following 6:30 am Shacharis in the main shul.
- Jared and Stephanie Ezra on the Bas Mitzvah of their daughter, Tali. May they be zoche l'gadla l'Torah l'chuppah ul'masim tovim.

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## The Weekly Parsha



### Parshas Ki Seitzei

By Rabbi A. Leib Scheinbaum

**"You shall surely send away the mother and take the young for yourself." (22:7)**

Arichas yamim, longevity, is the commonly cited reward for two mitzvos: Shiluach hakein, sending away the mother bird; and Kibbud Av V'Eim, honoring father and mother. The Midrash goes one step further, saying that the mitzvah of sending away the mother bird is the easiest mitzvah, while honoring one's parents is the "hardest of the hard." What are Chazal teaching us?

Horav Zev Weinberger, Shlita, gives a novel explanation. He cites the Ramban who explains that the reason one sends the mother bird away is to teach us to have compassion. The Ramban emphasizes that the mitzvah is not necessarily simply to demonstrate that Hashem has mercy on animals, but, rather, to teach us to be compassionate. One who is compassionate towards animals will certainly have mercy on humans. Compassion is a natural character trait for a human being. Indeed, one who is not compassionate is not acting in a human manner. This is why this is considered an easy mitzvah to fulfill.

Honoring parents has its source in the middah, character trait, of hakoras hatov, gratitude. Regrettably, this mitzvah goes against the grain of human nature. Expressing gratitude is not easy. Showing appreciation means that we owe somebody something. This is not easy for many people. The human ego likes to think it is beholden to no one. Hakoras hatov teaches us the opposite. Honoring one's parents is a difficult mitzvah to perform, since it is not a natural human character trait.

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## Weekly "What's Your Shailah?" with Rabbi Yehuda Leib Goldberger

**Question:** If I am accepting Shabbos early, do my wife and children need to accept Shabbos early as well?

**Answer:** The Shulchan Aruch rules that if most of a community accepts Shabbos early, the rest of the community automatically

accepts Shabbos along with them, even if they have no desire to do so. However, this applies only when there is one shul in the city and most of the community made an early minyan at shul. In a community with multiple shuls, there is no automatic acceptance of Shabbos for anyone who is not davening early. Also, this applies only to accepting Shabbos early, not ending Shabbos late. The Pri Megadim suggests that the same might apply within one household, i.e., if the head of the household has accepted Shabbos, everyone else in the house must accept Shabbos as well. However, he only makes this suggestion in the event that the head of the household has davened Maariv.

A mother's lighting of the Shabbos candles would certainly not obligate the rest of the household, as stated explicitly in the Rema. It is unclear whether or not the Pri Megadim is ruling conclusively on this matter or not. His opinion is also not cited by the Mishna Brura and other major Acharonim. Therefore, even if you are making early Shabbos, your wife and children would not be obligated to do so.

Although they are not obligated to accept Shabbos, there still is some dispute about whether they can do melacha for you. Usually, it is permitted for someone who has accepted Shabbos early to ask another Jew to do melacha for him, yet HaRav Moshe Feinstein, zt'l, has an interesting chiddush and states that a husband who has accepted Shabbos should not ask his wife to do melacha for him.

Additionally, the Mekor Chaim writes that his young children cannot do melacha, since the pasuk says that your children (בְּנֵי וּבָתֵּיךָ) may not do melacha. Some poskim are only stringent when the children are doing the melacha for the father (even if he didn't ask them to). Despite the opinion of these Acharonim, it seems that many people are lenient in this matter, probably due to the fact that the Shulchan Aruch and its major commentaries, along with the Mishna Brura, make no mention of these stringencies.

*-Rabbi Yehuda Leib*

## Fighting the Ultimate Enemy

Ki Seitzei begins with, "When you will go out to war against your enemies, and Hashem, your G-d, will deliver him into your hand..." (Devarim 21:10). Rashi describes, "When you will go to war" as an optional war; that is, wars other than those such as the war of the conquest of Eretz Canaan and the war against Amalek. Those wars are not optional, but rather fulfillments of G-d's commandments.

But this pasuk can also refer to a Jew's ongoing war with his yetzer hara. This war within each and every one of us is a constant struggle; the yetzer hara is a most ferocious enemy who never relents. He should never be

underestimated -- he is a master of disguise, and knows how to mask illusions as reality, how to rationalize evil as good.

As we conclude the second week of Elul, we must strengthen our resolve and prepare a strategy to defeat this enemy. This is a time for deep introspection, and it's entirely up to each individual to determine what needs to be done to prepare ourselves for the Yomim Nora'im. As Hillel asks, "If I am not for myself, who will be for me? And if I am (only) for myself, what am I? And if not now, when?" (Avos 1:14). R' Yonah interprets this Mishnah as "expressing the advantage of self-motivation over external inducement or coercion." If one is not properly motivated, no outsider can bring him to his maximum potential. Not to say that people cannot be motivated by others, but true change can only come from within. He adds that "if I am only for myself, what am I?" is a consequence of man's intrinsic inclination for evil, and offers the following parable: "A king told his sharecroppers that anything over thirty bushels was theirs to keep -- but they were able to produce only five bushels. When the king questioned the small yield, they countered, 'We worked diligently, but the field is inferior and can only yield five bushels.' Similarly, man, inhibited spiritually by his yetzer hara, has a limited spiritual capability. Even with his free choice, his accomplishments will never attain the level his duties demand. Nevertheless, G-d rewards man for his efforts in combating these built-in limitations." R' Yonah concludes with, "Do not put off your spiritual pursuits for tomorrow on the assumption that you will have time then. You may find yourself as busy tomorrow as today. Furthermore, the spiritual progress you could have experienced today is irretrievable" (Artscroll Pirkei Avos Treasury). Bottom line: when it comes to mitzvah performance and teshuvah, one should never put off until tomorrow what he can accomplish today.

The Ramchal describes the objective of the war against the yetzer hara: "Man serves G-d by observing all His commandments, and the root purpose of this service is to make man always conscious of G-d, and to turn him in His direction. The guiding principle is that man must realize that G-d created him only so that he could have the opportunity to draw himself 'close' to his Creator, but this 'closeness' becomes possible only if man overcomes his Evil Inclination, consciously deciding to subjugate himself to his Creator, and fulfill His commands. Man must reverse his inclination towards the physical, conquering his mundane tendencies, but he will be able to do so only if he manages all of his affairs only for the sake of attaining this goal, having no desire for anything else" (Derech Hashem 1:4:6).

The Ramchal then identifies the ultimate weapon that Hashem gave us to fight the yetzer hara and successfully achieve our purpose in

this world: "G-d granted us one particular means which can bring man close to Him more than anything else. This is the study of His Revealed Torah...Through its reading and comprehension, man not only earns excellence and perfection for himself, but he also elevates and perfects the entire fabric of Creation. This is particularly true in the case of the study of the Torah" (ibid. 1:4:9).

We should strive to learn Torah with holiness and purity; to learn *b'simcha*, *b'yirah*, *b'ahava* and *l'smah*, and with the proper kavana of fulfilling G-d's will, as we ask Him in the bracha of *Ahava Rabba* to "instill in our hearts to understand and elucidate, to listen, learn, teach, safeguard, perform and fulfill all the words of Your Torah's teaching with love." The true goal is to learn Torah in order to live a Torah life, not merely for intellectual prowess.

R' Noach Weinberg writes: "The shofar is blowing; you are moving closer to *Yom HaDin*, the Day of Judgment. You are at war. The enemy is at the gate. Now is the time to fight the great battle against the *yetzer hara*." May we all be zoche to successfully overcome our *yetzer hara*, and continue growing in our Torah learning, refining our *middos*, and improving our *avodas Hashem*. Teshuva and change must come from within, and now is the time to develop a battle plan. The *yetzer hara* is a most formidable enemy, and we must overcome his daily attempts to bring us down and transgress the Torah. Its Elul - if not now, when? A gutten Shabbos.

*-Lev Avraham Rosenstock*

### Join Rebbetzin Bracha

Jump start your week by joining Rebbetzin Bracha at our women's Tehillim group,

meeting Sundays, 10 am, in the Nancy Taffel Annex. All women are invited and encouraged to attend.

### Shidduch Center Event

The Shidduch Center of Baltimore will be hosting a Melaveh Malka for young women ages 24-29, this Motzei Shabbos, September 17, at 9 pm at the home of Ahron and Debbie Gibber, 6718 Westbrook Road. A beautiful evening has been planned featuring uplifting words of insight and inspiration for Rosh Hashana from Mrs. Devora Meira Ringo, along with a dairy and parve buffet from the Milk and Honey Bistro. There is no cost to attend; RSVPs are greatly appreciated in order to properly prepare the venue. Please RSVP to [events@shidduchcenter.org](mailto:events@shidduchcenter.org) or 443-955-9887.

### JobKatif's Vision of Chesed

In previous years, JobKatif has been busy integrating the significant majority of displaced former residents of Gush Katif into a productive workplace. This year, JobKatif has branched out into four new avenues of chesed: **Ahotenu:** A revolutionary nursing program for young Ethiopian men and women, enabling them to enter a five-year academic nursing program at Hebrew University's School of Nursing. **Ta'asuchayil:** a unique employment program coordinated with the IDF designed to help impoverished soldiers find work during their service. **Ta'asukati:** individualized mentoring for the chronically unemployed. **Habyodem:** an innovative social business, offering employment-rehabilitation program for people dealing with mental illness.

Please join us in supporting JobKatif in these exciting new initiatives, and send your

generous contributions to: Shomrei Emunah Israel Fund, 6221 Greenspring Avenue, Baltimore, MD 21209, or you may go to [www.shomreiemunah.org/payment.php](http://www.shomreiemunah.org/payment.php)- select "Israel Fund, Job Katif" in the type of donation.

### Coming Up

- **September 18:** First (in 25 years!) TY Yard Sale from 11 am to 3 pm. Everyone is invited to bring your no longer wanted, but sellable, items to Tiferes Yisroel between 9 and 10 am to be included in the sale; all profits will go to the shul.

### Yahrzeit Donations

- In memory of Harold Lipsitz, by Emily Lipsitz
- In memory of Ilene Kahn, by Emily Lipsitz

### Community

- **September 19:** Etz Chaim presents "Charlie Harary LIVE in Baltimore!" Please join us in welcoming Charlie Harary to Baltimore as he delivers inspiring words on Rosh Hashana - "Who Do You Want to Be?" The presentation will be at 8:00 pm at Bnai Jacob Shaarei Zion. Tickets are \$10 in advance, \$15 at the door. Open to men and women. Buy tickets online at [www.etzchaimusa.org](http://www.etzchaimusa.org) or pickup at Etz Chaim, 3702 Fords Lane. For more info: [info@etzchaimusa.org](mailto:info@etzchaimusa.org) or 410-764-1553.
- **September 21:** N'shei Agudath Israel presents Rabbi Heinemann's "Annual Teshuva Drasha," promptly at 8:15 pm at the Agudah of Park Heights. This is open to all members of the community, and there is no charge.
- **November 13:** The CJE is excited to announce its "Becoming a Big Kid" conference at the Park Heights JCC. Geared towards parents of children ages 3-5 to help them transition from the "little kid" world of preschool to the "big kid" world of kindergarten and beyond. The conference will include workshops and expert panels focusing on helping you help your children. For more information, please contact [azimbalist@cjbaltimore.org](mailto:azimbalist@cjbaltimore.org).

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- Emunah Friedman, Emunah L'Or bas Nachas
- Mordecai Zev Margolese, Mordecai Zev ben Rivka Rochel

### Yahrzeits

Giving tzedakah in the name of the departed has the power to elevate their soul. When you give

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Sign up by emailing [shlomhuva@aol.com](mailto:shlomhuva@aol.com). The pushka challenge is to put whatever amount of money one is able into a pushka every day or as often as possible. The recommended amount is only 36 cents a day.

When your pushka is full, please empty it into a ziplock bag marked with your name, and drop it into our locked mailbox at 3310 W. Strathmore Avenue. If it is difficult for you to drop it off, please contact Shlomo and Ahuva Goldberger at 410-358-4456 to arrange a pickup

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charity on behalf of your loved one, consider giving to Tiferes Yisroel. And may the soul of your loved one be bound in the bond of life, together with the souls of Avraham, Yitzchak and Yaakov; Sarah, Rivka, Rachel and Leah; and together with the other righteous men and women in Gan Eden.

Joseph Fooks, Yosef M'chael ben Aharon a"h, 15 Elul, father of Risha Saperstein

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**No Peanuts!** The shul is peanut-free. In consideration of our members with peanut allergies, please refrain from bringing peanut products into the shul.

**Fragrances.** In consideration of our members and guests who are allergic to fragrances, or who are sensitive enough that they are unable to daven, we ask that you wear your fragrances and hairspray as lightly as possible so that other people are not aware of it.



**Joblink.** Joblink provides job seekers, recruiters and employers with valuable information regarding employment opportunities and career information.

If you are looking for a job or know of one at your office, please contact our shul liaison, David Sawilowsky at 804-350-2117, or Marthe Vidaver at Joblink at [marthe@joblink.com](mailto:marthe@joblink.com) or 410-602-8700.



**Mitzvah Cards.** For \$18, you get four cards that you can mail out yourself. For \$10, we will send the card out for you, and your donation will be announced in the Lev Echad.

To purchase mitzvah cards please contact Glenna Ross at [mitzvahcards@tiferesysroel.org](mailto:mitzvahcards@tiferesysroel.org).



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**Sponsorships.** To arrange your sponsorship, email [levechad@tiferesysroel.org](mailto:levechad@tiferesysroel.org). Please send your donation to Congregation Tiferes Yisroel, 6201 Park Heights Avenue, Baltimore, MD 21215.

To sponsor Shemen Lamaor for a month or the Lev Echad or Camp Shabbos for a week, the donation is \$36. To sponsor Father/Son Learning for a week, the donation is \$90. Half-sponsorships are also available for \$45.

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Siddur \$50

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## TY SHIURIM SCHEDULE

(Unless otherwise noted, all shiurim are for MEN.)

### Sunday:

- 9:10-9:55 am: Men's Gemara Taanis shiur given by Rabbi Goldberger following Shacharis.
- 10-10:45 am: Women's Tehillim gathering for cholim (Nancy Taffel Annex).
- 9-9:45 pm: Weekly Avodah Chabura, given by Reb Shuki Nissan. Each week the chaburah will have a new topic of focus and discussion, from the writings of the Meor Einayim.

### Monday:

- 7:00-8:00 pm: The Rambam's Mishneh Torah, Hilchos Shabbos given by Jay Taffel. Upstairs Beis Midrash.
- After Maariv: Chassidus, 20-minute shiur given by Rabbi Goldberger.

### Tuesday:

- 9:00 pm: Rabbi Yehuda Leib Goldberger's women's halacha shiur on the laws of washing one's hands and tefila.

### Wednesday:

- After Maariv: Chassidus, 20-minute shiur given by Rabbi Goldberger.
- One hour before Mincha: Gemara Horayos, given by Jay Taffel. Upstairs Beis Midrash.

### Thursday Night:

- Reb Shlomo Goldberger's shiur in Sefer Yaaros Dvash will be on hiatus until further notice.

### Daily (Monday-Friday):

- Every morning before Shacharis — a chabura for strengthening Hebrew reading with Nesivos Shalom. With fresh hot coffee!
- Monday through Thursday between Mincha and Maariv: Rabbi Goldberger, 5 minutes of Hilchos Tefillah.
- Sunday through Thursday evening after Mincha/Maariv - Rabbi Goldberger will give a 20-minute shiur in Nesivos Shalom on Rosh Hashana.

### Shabbos:

- 8:00-8:30 am: Mishnayos Chabura. Nezikin

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*Good Shabbos!*



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