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**DAVENING SCHEDULE****Friday**Candle Lighting: 5:56 pm  
Mincha/Maariv: 6:00 pm**Shabbos Day**Shacharis: 8:30 am  
Mincha: 5:25 pm  
Maariv: 7:10 pm  
Shabbos is over after: 7:25 pm**Sunday**Shacharis: 8:00 am  
Mincha/Maariv: 5:50 pm**Monday – Friday**Shacharis: 6:35 am  
Mincha/Maariv: 5:50 pm**Next Shabbos – Noach**Candle Lighting: 5:47 pm  
Mincha/Maariv: 5:50 pm**This Shabbos**

- Shabbos Bereishis Kiddush in honor of Ari Blum following davening.
- Shalosh Seudos/Tseischem I'Shalom for Yocheved Garcia.

**Women's Tehillim**

The Women's Tehillim will resume this Sunday, October 27. All women invited.

**Sisterhood Coffee Concert**

Join the women of TY for the 5780 Sisterhood kick-off event, a Coffeehouse Concert featuring Rebbetzin Bracha Goldberger and her "Mother in Love" singing duets, accompanied by Shalomis Koffler Weinreb and Rina Bethea. Also featuring the Kol Zimrah Choir directed by Lisa Friedman. We will also be treated to original songs by Shalomis Koffler Weinreb along with kumsitz style singing. Come join us motsei Shabbos,

November 9, from 8 to 11 pm in the Simcha Hall for a night of music, friends, coffee, hot soup and pastries! Admission \$18; Sisterhood dues of \$25 are appreciated also.

**Used Book Sale**

Our used book sale is located upstairs outside the Bais Medrash. All proceeds go to the shul. Most titles are still \$5 or less. For more info, please contact Steve Schwarz at simchamelech@aol.com or call 410-446-8330.

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**Farewell to the Sukkah**

Now that we have reached the pinnacle of achdus through Sukkos and Simchas Torah... We are looking for a few good men (and women!) to help disassemble the shul sukkah this Sunday, October 27, at 10 am.

**Mazel Tov to**

- Ari and Caryn Blum on the marriage of their son, Asher, to Leeba Weiss. Mazel tov to Simcha and Bina Weiss, parents of the kallah. May they be zoche to build a bayis ne'eman b'Yisroel.

**New Shidduch Initiative**

A new Shidduch Initiative is being formed to promote shidduchim by uniting the shuls in Baltimore through networking and sharing information.

- Are you single and looking for your bashert?
- Do you know someone - your son, daughter, brother, sister, friend- who is single, divorced or widowed, and looking for their bashert?

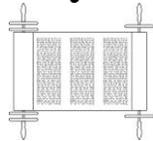
If so, and if you are interested in participating and being a part of this initiative, please contact our shul representative, Joyce Litzman, at litzman@litzfam.com or 404-329-8967.

Please join us this Sunday, October 27, from 1 to 4 pm here in the shul, for a men's "Meet and Greet" for men in shidduchim, ages 20 to 30; refreshments will be served. Please RSVP to Joyce Litzman, litzman@litzfam.com or 404-329-8967. Stay tuned for more upcoming events.

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Mazel tov!

## Weekly Parsha



### Parshas Bereishis

By Rabbi Olzer Alport

**“G-d said, ‘Let the waters teem with... living creature’s, and fowl that fly about over the earth across the expanse of the heavens’ (1:20)**

Throughout the generations, philosophers have debated the age-old question of which came first: the chicken or the egg? What does the Torah, which is the blueprint for the Creation and contains the answer to every question, have to say about this hotly contested issue?

On the fifth day of Creation, Hashem said, “Let the waters abound with swarming living creatures, and fowl that fly about over the earth across the expanse of the Heavens.” On the phrase meaning “living,” Rashi comments, “that it will be alive” – in the future tense. In the following verse (1:21), which relates the actual creation of the marine and bird life, the same expression which means “living” appears, but this time, Rashi comments, “that it is alive” – in the present tense.

On the sixth day of Creation, Hashem declared, “Let the Earth bring forth living creatures, each according to its kind: animals, creeping things, and beasts of the land.” Once again, this verse contains the identical phrase which means “living,” and Rashi comments, “that it is alive” – in the present tense. It is very uncharacteristic for Rashi to comment on the same phrase three times in a span of five verses. Further, it is not coincidental that Rashi switched the verb tenses between the verses. Why did he feel the need for these multiple comments, and what does this teach us?

Rav Yehoshua Leib Diskin explains that regarding Hashem’s command on the fifth day to create marine and bird life, His intention was for the waters to produce fish eggs that would yield fish, and bird eggs which would hatch and create birds. For this reason, Rashi stresses that they will be alive after they hatch. In the following verse, the Torah records that marine and bird life were actually created. In other words, the eggs hatched and produced the desired fish and bird species; for this reason, Rashi writes that they were alive, since this verse discusses their post-hatching state. On the sixth day, the Torah records the creation of land animals which aren’t hatched from eggs. They were initially created in their living states, and for this reason, Rashi refers to them as already being alive.

The mystics teach that there is nothing which is not alluded to in the Torah. Although the Maharil Diskin was coming to address a textual difficulty in Rashi’s commentary, his answer enables us to decisively resolve the philosophical dilemma by concluding that the egg was created before the chicken!

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## In the Beginning

The Torah begins with the verse: “In the beginning (בראשית) of G-d’s creating אֵת” (Bereishis 1:1). The word אֵת is used to connect the word “creating” with the words “the heaven and the earth.” It is brought down by Rabbi Michael Munk in his sefer, *The Wisdom in the Aleph-Beis*, that although the word אֵת has no definition, there is an amazing *remez* to be found in its placement in the verse: In the beginning, G-d created אֵת, א through ת, and with [the Aleph-Beis], He created the heavens and the earth (Ohr Torah). Rabbi Dov Ber, the Maggid of Mezritch, writes: “It is known in Kabbalistic literature that the letters of the Aleph-Beis were created first of all. Thereafter, by use of the letters, the Holy One, Blessed is He, created all the worlds”

We begin the study of the Torah with the realization that the Torah is not a history book, but the charter of Man’s mission in the universe. Thus, in his very first comment, Rashi cites Rav Yitzchak, who says that since the Torah is primarily a book of mitzvos, it should have begun with the commandment of Rosh Chodesh, “This month shall be for you the beginning of the months...” (Shemos 12:2), the first mitzvah that was addressed to the entirety of klal Yisroel. Rashi explains that the reason for the Torah’s narrative of Creation is to establish that G-d is the Sovereign of the universe: “He declared to His people the power of His works in order to give them the heritage of the nations” (Tehillim 111:6). If the nations accuse Israel of banditry for seizing the lands of the seven nations of Canaan, Israel can respond, “The entire universe belongs to G-d. He created it and granted it to whomever He deemed fit. It was His desire to give it [the Land] to them and then it was His desire to take it from them and give it to us” (Bereishis Rabbah 1:2).

The Ramban notes that one purpose of Sefer Bereishis is to teach the mission of mankind [through the story of Adam and Chava], which is to bring about the fulfillment of Creation by carrying out G-d’s commandment. Although they failed and were driven into exile, man’s mission did not change, only the conditions in which it would be carried out. G-d punished the transgressors, but did not discard them. They

could repent; indeed the concept of repentance was a prerequisite to man’s existence, because he could not have survived without it. Adam and Chava repented, as did the subsequent sinners Kayin and Lemech. This, too, is one of the major lessons of the story of Bereishis: Man may sin, but he can come back, and G-d allows him the opportunity to do so (Artscroll Stone Chumash). The Ramban maintains that this is why Sefer Bereishis is called the Book of Creation: The essence of creation is not primarily the story of mountains and valleys, of oceans and deserts, or even of human and animal life. Creation is the story of the birth of Israel, the Jewish Nation, the people that inherited the task of Adam and Chava. In this first Book of the Torah we trace Israel’s story from the life of Avraham and Sarah until their offspring develop into a family and then a nation (*ibid.*).

It’s true that the stories of the Avos and Imahos establish who we are as Jewish people and from where we come, but the lessons in Sefer Bereishis are much deeper than that. In a similar vein with Rashi and the Ramban, the Nesivos Shalom suggests another facet of the Torah’s beginning with Sefer Bereishis: To teach a Jew how to refine his *middos*. He states that the prerequisite for a Jew to receive [learn] the Torah is character refinement. Before we are able to learn Torah, we must first define ourselves as the descendants of Avraham, Yitzchak and Yaakov, and align our *middos* with theirs. Although we do not find any specific *pasukim* relating to the development of good *middos*, when we read Sefer Bereishis we learn from the actions of our Avos and Imahos the proper *derech* for a Jew to travel.

From Avraham we learn the *middah* of *chesed*: loving-kindness, compassion and tolerance. Avraham’s life was dedicated to caring about others. Avraham davened with sincere *kavannah* to save the cities of Sodom and Amorrh, despite their wickedness. Even though he was still recovering from his *bris milah*, he ran out with *zerizus* in the heat of the day to serve the weary travelers. He selflessly fought five kings in order to rescue his nephew Lot. Yitzchak teaches us *gevurah*: strength, discipline and judgement. By the Akeidah, Yitzchak was “bound to the altar,” which symbolized the restraint he showed throughout his life. He consolidated the spiritual work that Avraham had begun, but unlike his father, who focused on the outside world, Yitzchak focused on perfecting himself. Yaakov represents the *middah* of *tiferes*: harmony, truth and completion. Yaakov combined the behaviors of Avraham and Yitzchak to create his own unique relationship with G-d and the world. His entire life was filled with trials and tribulations, yet his faith in G-d and quest for truth never wavered.

It is for this reason that every Jew is charged with asking the question, “When will my deeds

reach the level of the deeds of the Avos?" As Rabbi Goldberger so eloquently put it on Simchas Torah, in the name of his rebbe, HaRav Shlomo Twerski z"tl, not to "reach" the level of the Avos, but to "touch" it. Surely we could not possibly reach their levels of *tzidkus*, nor could we expect to refine our *middos* to that degree, but as the Rabbi suggests, we should always strive to attain a higher level of spiritual growth and awareness. Not to be on the level of the Avos, but to be the best "Reb Zusha" that we can be.

The Ramban adds that even after reading how the world and its central character, Man, came into being, we still do not understand the secret or even the process of Creation. Rather, the work of Creation is a deep mystery that can be comprehended only through the tradition transmitted by G-d to Moshe. Sefer Bereishis teaches us the story of not only the creation of the world, but the creation of the Jewish Nation through the Avos and Imahos. Avraham, Yitzchak and Yaakov were not only survivors, but they thrived in everything that they did. Their ability to endure and overcome any and all hardships has proved over time to be the "spiritual DNA" for Jewish survival. May we all be zoche to emulate our Avos and Imahos, to refine our middos, and fulfill the mission for which Adam and Chava were created. A gutten Shabbos.

*-Lev Avraham Rosenstock*

### Koidenover Rebbe in Baltimore

The Koidenover Rebbe will be visiting our community from Bnei Brak for Shabbos Parshas Noach. There will be an inspirational Friday night tish at 9 pm at Mercaz Torah

u'Tefilah (R'Eichenstein), and a shalosh seudos at the Agudah of Greenspring at 5:20 pm. The Rebbe will also be available by appointment for private consultations and brachos. To schedule an appointment to meet with the Rebbe or for more info about his schedule, please call/text R' Shlomo Slatkin at 443-570-7598, or email office@koidenov.org.

### Shul Pushka Challenge

All donations toward the Pushka Challenge can be made in one of four easy ways:

- Drop off your pushka change, cash, or check in the secure locked mailbox at 3310 W. Strathmore Avenue.
- Make a donation online and select "Pushka Challenge" with your payment.
- Mail a check with "Pushka Challenge" in the memo line to Congregation Tiferes Yisroel, 6201 Park Heights Avenue, Baltimore, MD 21215, or you may drop it off in our secure mailbox on the front porch of the shul.
- Call or email Reb Shlomo Goldberger at 410-358-4456 or smzg82@gmail.com to arrange a special pickup.

### Coming Up

- **November 2:** Kiddush sponsored by Rabbi Elie and Esther Levi in honor of their new daughter, Tova Meira.
- **November 9:** The TY Sisterhood will host its opening event for 5780, a Coffeehouse Concert, downstairs in the TY Simcha Hall. Doors will open at 8 pm; concert will begin at 8:30. Please obtain tickets from the shul website under **Events**.

- **November 16:** Bar Mitzvah of Rachamim Schor. Kiddush sponsored by his parents, Shlomo and Miriam Schor

### Agudah Scrip Program at TY

Tiferes Yisroel is currently participating in the Agudah Scrip Program. Scrip is available for purchase for \$1.25 each (Blue Scrip). Please place your scrip order now by going to the shul website's Events page, or by emailing scrip@tiferesyisroel.org. Please pay by cash or check made out to Agudath Israel Charity Fund. Thank you for supporting your shul.

### Yizkor Donations

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### Yahrzeits

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

Eleanor LeViigne, Esther Freda bas Zalman a"h, 27 Tishrei, aunt of Shoshana Shamberg  
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### Community

- **October 27:** The Baltimore Holocaust Survivors and Descendants Group will have their next meeting from 2 to 4 pm in the Park Heights JCC. "Lives Lost: Lives Found: Baltimore's German Jewish Refugees 1933-1945," presented by Ilene Dackman-Alon, Director, Learning and Visitor Experience, Jewish Museum of Maryland. For more information, contact Felicia at 443-759-5556 or hgraber@earthlink.net. The event is free of charge; dietary laws are observed.
- **October 29:** Ariella Zeitlin and Andrea Grinberg perform for women at the Ari Fuld Building behind the Storch home. Show begins at 8 pm; \$15. Sponsorships are \$100 with two preferred seats -- contact Glenna Ross at glenny.ross@verizon.net.
- **October 30:** Chana presents: "Voices, Words, Courage and Strength to End Domestic Violence." An inspiring event

### **PUSHKA CAMPAIGN**

Sign up by emailing 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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featuring a survivor story and silent auction of client art. Honoring Nancy Aiken, PhD, 6 pm at Suburban Club. To help sponsor this event, contact Chana at 410-234-0030.

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- Raizy Cohen, Raiselle bas Sarah
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**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.



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## TY SHIURIM SCHEDULE

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

### Sunday:

9:10-9:55 am: Men's Gemara Chagigah shiur given by Rabbi Goldberger following Shacharis.

10:00-10:45 am: Women's Tehillim for cholim with Rebbetzin Bracha in the Annex.

8:00 pm: Women's Navi shiur with Rabbi Goldberger is currently on hiatus.

### Monday:

After Maariv: Rambam's Sefer Zemanim with Jay Taffel.

### Tuesday:

After Maariv: Chassidus and Chassidic stories (Malchus Shlomo) with Rabbi Goldberger.

### Wednesday:

7:00 pm: Rabbeinu Bachya with Jay Taffel.

### Thursday:

8:30-8:50 pm: Men's "Parsha Preview"

### Daily (Monday-Friday):

5:45 am: Every morning before Shacharis, a chabura for strengthening Hebrew reading with Nesivos Shalom.

7:40 am: Every morning following davening - Dvar Halacha by Rabbi Goldberger and Rabbi Yehuda Leib Goldberger. With fresh hot coffee!

**\*Men's Beis Medrash, Monday-Thursday nights, from 8:15-9 pm**

### Shabbos:

After davening Friday night: Sidduro Shel Shabbos, with Nossi Gross.

Boys' Beis Medrash learning after krias haTorah, upstairs Beis Medrash with Itchy Weingot.

After Mussaf on Shabbos morning: Sidduro Shel Shabbos, with Nossi Gross.

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