

Rabbi Menachem Goldberger

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Celebrating our 36th year

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DAVENING SCHEDULE**Friday**Candle Lighting: 6:47-7:59 pm
Mincha/Maariv: 7:00 pm**Shabbos Day**Daf Yomi shiur: 8:00 am
Shacharis (**Hodu**): 8:45 am
Rabbi's Shabbos shiur: 6:10 pm
Mincha: 7:10 pm
Maariv: 9:10 pm
Shabbos is over after: 9:30 pm**Sunday**Shacharis: 8:00 am
Mincha/Maariv: 8:05 pm**Monday-Friday**Shacharis: 7:00 am
Mincha/Maariv: 8:05 pm**Next Shabbos- Bechukosai/Mevorchim****Sivan**Candle Lighting: 6:52-8:05 pm
Friday Mincha: 7:00 pm**This Shabbos**

- Kiddush following davening in honor of the Semichas Chaver participants upon their completion of the first zman.
- **6:10 pm:** Rabbi Goldberger's Shabbos shiur in "**Chovos Halevavos Shaar HaBitachon**" in the main shul for men and women.

Semichas Chaver Program

Rabbi Elie Levi has returned for a new semester of Semichas Chaver for men, Sunday nights one hour before Mincha/Maariv. The topics for this semester will include:

- **Hilchos Bais HaKnesses** and
- **Hilchos Tefilla**

- Upon completion of the Zman/semester, there is an **optional written exam** with a **certificate of accomplishment** that will be presented at a siyum at the conclusion. For more information, please contact Rabbi Levi at 443-473-3073.

Rabbi's Shabbos Shiur

Rabbi Goldberger has resumed his Shabbos shiur in Chovos Halevavos Shaar HaBitachon, one hour before Mincha in the main shul for men and women. Printouts are available.

Baruch Dayan HaEmes

Congregation Tiferes Yisroel is saddened to hear of the passing of Carl Werner a"h, father of Rabbi Osher Werner. May Hashem grant strength to Osher and to the entire family among the mourners of Tzion and Yerushalayim.

Donations

- Yizkor donation by Elka Rottman
- Yahrzeit donation by Klara Margaretten in memory of her cousin, Zsuzsa Pizag

New Kitzur Shulchan Aruch Shiur

Join Rabbi Goldberger for a new weekly Tuesday night shiur for men in the **Kitzur Shulchan Aruch** following Maariv. For more info, please contact Lev Avraham Rosenstock at 443-255-4343.

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 7:00 am during

the week, 8:45 am on Shabbos, and 8:00 am on Sundays. ***Weekday Mincha/Maariv with Men's Shiurim and Beis Medrash Learning, Sunday through Thursday nights.** Davening begins 10 minutes before shkia; check the seasonal davening schedule or the Lev Echad for exact times.

7:00 pm Friday Davening!

We have returned to our summer erev Shabbos davening schedule, beginning with Mincha at 7:00 pm, until the Yomim Noraim.

Mazel Tov to

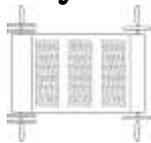
- Rabbi Yehuda Leib and Miriam Goldberger on the Bas Mitzvah of their daughter, Malka. May they be zoche l'gadla l'Torah l'chuppah ul'maasim tovim. Mazel tov to the grandparents, Rabbi and Rebbetzin Goldberger and Howard and Dvora Sora Reznick.
- Mordechai and Ruth Snider on the birth of a granddaughter in Yerushalayim to Akiva Yisroel and Sara Tova Miller. May they be zoche l'gadla l'Torah l'chuppah ul'maasim tovim.

New Sefer Torah!

We recently made our first installment on the purchase of a beautiful new Sefer Torah that has just been completed and is currently being reviewed! The Rabbi and Rebbetzin are extremely grateful to our shul and our community for dedicating the Torah in honor of their 36 double chai years of service here in Baltimore beH. The shul plans on making a festive and lively "**Hachnasas Sefer Torah**" on **22 Elul 5782, Sunday, September 18, 2022**, from 1:30 to 4:00 pm, b'shaa tova u'mutzlachas. Stay tuned for more details!

This week's Lev Echad is sponsored by:

Elie and Esther Sara Weiner in loving memory of our sister, Gloria Weiner, Gila bas Yaakov Zev a"h.

Weekly Parsha**Parshas Behar**

By Rabbi A. Leib Scheinbaum

“For you are sojourners and residents with Me” (25:23)

We should never forget our position on this world. We are travelers passing by with a focus on reaching a more lofty and meaningful destination. This is what Chazal teach us in Pirkei Avos 4:16, “This world is like a lobby before the World to Come; prepare yourself in the lobby so that you may enter the banquet hall.” This statement implies that during his stay in This World, the individual is like a traveler, passing through a strange land. Therefore, one should be sure to focus his attention on his goals and objectives for the future. He should make his Torah study fixed and regular, while his mundane pursuits should be of a transient, provisional nature. The Dubno Maggid explains that this is the message of the pasuk. A *ger* is a sojourner, while a *toshav* is a resident. These two meanings contrast with one another. Therefore, Hashem tells us that if we view our position in this world as that of a sojourner, then Hashem will be to us as a *toshav*, resident. In order to develop a permanent relation with Torah and mitzvos, one must view his presence on this world as nothing more than a sojourn.

The Chofetz Chaim offers the following analogy to bring the idea into greater perspective. One does not build a house by himself. He lacks the skill necessary to bring this project to fruition. He hires an architect who will draw a blueprint, followed by a builder, who does the final construction. Obviously, the dimensions allotted for the various rooms and entranceways are designed to coincide with the available space and function of the room.

There was once a wealthy man who commissioned an architect to prepare the blueprint for a magnificent home. He instructed the architect to lay out the home for him in such a manner that the entryway would be large and roomy and to do likewise for the dining area. This was all fine and well until the architect saw the size of the lot. It was not nearly as large an area as the owner had indicated. There was no way that both the entryway and dining area could be as large as he wanted. Something would have to be compromised. He presented the problem to the owner, explaining, “While the final decision is yours, I suggest that you change your

dimensions for the entryway, so that the dining area can be a nice size. This is what most people do. The entryway is only of secondary significance to the dining area. If you do otherwise, you will be the joke of the community.”

The *nimshal*, resemblance, is unambiguous. During our stay on This World, we occupy ourselves with building our great dining hall in Olam Habah. Some of us, however, are more concerned with the entryway, i.e., This World, thereby neglecting to build a sizable dining hall. We act like that foolish man who wanted to build a large vestibule at the expense of his dining room.

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Shemittah - To Infinity and Beyond

Parshas Behar opens with the mitzvah of Shemittah and its various laws, as it is written: “Hashem spoke to Moshe on Har Sinai... Speak to the Children of Israel and say to them: When you come into the Land... the land shall observe a Shabbos rest for Hashem. For six years you may sow your field... and you may prune your vineyard; and you may gather in its crop. But the seventh year shall be a complete rest for the land, a Shabbos for Hashem; your field you shall not sow... your vineyard you shall not prune” (Vayikra 25:1-4). There are several lessons to be derived from these pasukim that are fundamental to our complete faith and trust in Hashem.

The commentators all agree that the laws of Shemittah follow the phrase “Hashem spoke to Moshe on Har Sinai...” to teach us that this mitzvah of the Torah, just like every other mitzvah of the Torah, was conveyed to Moshe directly from Hashem at Har Sinai. Just as with Shemittah, whose general rules, details, and fine points were all stated at Sinai, so too, the general rules and fine points of all the other commandments were likewise stated at Sinai (Rashi). But the question stills remains - why of all 613 mitzvos, does the Torah specifically connect Har Sinai to the mitzvah of Shemittah? The Chasam Sofer answers this question with the following explanation: This commandment proves that only G-d is the “Author” of the Torah, because this chapter guarantees that the year before Shemittah will produce a crop large enough to last for three years, until the next available crop is harvested. If a human being were inventing such a commandment, he would have to be foolhardy indeed to make such a prediction; only G-d could make such a statement.

The absolute understanding and acceptance that the Torah is the “Divine Word of G-d”

which was given to the Jewish people at Har Sinai, and that this Revelation was witnessed by over 600,000 people, is the foundation of Judaism. It is the basis for the *mesorah* that is passed down from generation to generation, from parent to child. This concept of *mesorah*, and its fundamental importance, is alluded to by the double usage of the word *emor* in the opening pasuk of last week’s parsha, as Rashi states: The Torah uses the redundant wording of “say” followed by “and you shall say” to enjoin adults with minors [parents with children]. Thus, the verse means: You, Moshe, say to the Kohanim... And you, Kohanim, shall say to your children... The vital importance of preserving our *mesorah* throughout the generations cannot be overstated, as it guides our children and serves as a “beacon” by which a lost Jew can find his way back.

However, this irrefutable fact has been challenged for centuries by the ever-increasing population of “Enlightened Jews” who claim that the Torah was written by man. This grave misconception has led to the unfortunate decline in Torah observance, and continues to mislead Jewish people to believe that Judaism is denominational. This opening chapter in Parshas Behar serves as a reminder and proof that the Torah is in fact the Divine Word of Hashem, for no human could make such a guarantee.

The mitzvah of Shemittah is first introduced in Parshas Mishpatim, where it states: “Six years you shall sow your land... gather in its produce. And in the seventh, you shall let it go and leave it alone, and the destitute of your people shall eat... the wildlife of the field shall eat what is left of them; so shall you do to your vineyard and your olive grove. Six days shall you do your work... on the seventh day you shall rest” (Shemos 23:10-12). Rashi states: “You shall let it go” from complete work, such as plowing and sowing, “and leave it alone” from fertilizing and hoeing. In his sefer *Michtav M’Eliyahu*, Rav Eliyahu Dessler explains that these are the two main mitzvos of the Shemittah year: to “let it go,” that is, not to work the land; and “leave it alone,” that is, to treat whatever grows as *hefker* – ownerless – and let anyone take it. He writes: The aim of this mitzvah, which involves great sacrifice and great trust in G-d, is clearly to teach us to moderate our sense of “attachment” to our material possessions. The less one is attached to material things, the higher one can strive to achieve attachment to the Almighty. The masters of *kabbalah* have indicated that this cycle, which is to dominate the life of Israel in its land, also reflects the more vast, universal cycle (Ramban). Each year of the Shemittah cycle represents a thousand years of world time. As the Gemara states: This world lasts for six thousand years, then for one thousand years it will cease to exist (Sanhedrin 97a),

corresponding to “Six years you shall sow... and in the seventh, you shall let it go...” But this only the beginning. After seven thousand years, G-d renews His world. Six seven-thousand-year cycles, or worlds, follow, each on a higher level than the preceding, until the fiftieth thousand, which is *Olam Ha-tikkun* – the World of Rectification. At this stage, mankind reaches such an elevated level of self-sacrifice and outpouring of *chesed* that each is willing and eager to give up all individualism. Each conceives his own ego no longer as something separating himself from others, but as part of the universal ego of all created beings. This universal ego then merges itself in the glory of a song of praise to the Creator (Michtav M’Eliyahu). May we all be zoche... A gutten Shabbos.

-Lev Avraham Rosenstock

Women’s Tehillim

Rebbetzin Bracha’s Sunday ZOOM Tehillim gathering for cholim and Tehillim Chabura are currently on hiatus and will return after Shavuot on Sunday, June 12. Participants should recite their chapters on their own before 11:30 am.

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.

Albert Cohen a”h, 20 Iyar, uncle of Karen Beleck
Zsuzsi Pizag a”h, 21 Iyar, cousin of Klara Margaretten

David Weiner, Dovid ben Baruch a”h, 24 Iyar, cousin of Elka Rottman

Murray Portnoy a”h, 25 Iyar, uncle of Eileen Rosenbaum

Bessie Reznick, Basha bas Mordechai Gershon HaLevi a”h, 26 Iyar, mother of Howard Reznick, wife of Victor Reznick a”h

Avraham Kaner, Avraham Dovid ben Dovid a”h, 26 Iyar, father of Yosef Kaner

Parsha Poem

Har Sinai heard each word He said,
Atop her granite shoulders:
“A mountain, too, is a feeling thing,
I’m not just rocks and boulders.”

“I skipped with joy when they were freed,
But won’t feel their tilled embrace,
HaAretz will for six whole years.”
A tear ran down her face.

“From my shrouded peak they heard the call,
So what am I? Chopped liver?
My stony arms felt no caress.”
She reflected with a quiver.

Community

- **May 23:** Join WIT for a Shavuot shiur by Mrs. Shira Smiles as part of the Elman Family Holiday Lecture Series. The shiur, “Propitious Prayer: Examining the Bracha of Birkas HaTorah and Davening on Shavuot,” will take place via ZOOM at 1:00 pm. No charge for 5782 WIT members; non-members can register and pay \$10 for the shiur at www.witbaltimore.org. The ZOOM link will be sent out the morning of the shiur. For more information, please contact wit@witbaltimore.org or 410-358-2545.
- **May 26:** The Baltimore City Health Department will be hosting COVID-19

vaccine clinics at the Park Heights JCC from 11:00 am to 1:00 pm.

Day 35

This Shabbos is day 35 of *Sefiros HaOmer*, *Malchus She-be-Hod*, Kingship within Beauty. In his sefer, *Sefiros*, Rabbi Yaakov Haber writes: “The Ramban explains: Someone who puts in the minimal effort involved in purchasing and affixing a mezuzah to his doorpost with the correct intention, through this act has acknowledged that G-d created the world. He also acknowledges that there is prophecy and believes in every aspect of the Torah. Furthermore, he acknowledges G-d’s very great kindness to those who do His will, for He took them from slavery to freedom and to great honor.”

Rambam’s Hilchos Tefillah

Join Rabbi Goldberger for a weekly Monday night shiur for men in the **Rambam’s Hilchos Tefillah** following Maariv. The 30-minute shiur will be followed by a brief 10-minute Q&A session, “shailos of the week.”

Online Shiurim

We continue to build our audio library of shiurim by Rabbi Goldberger, particularly those on Sfas Emes. Log on and listen to them at our Audio Library Archive under Shiurim and Classes.

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.

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. If you need a shul pushka, you may take one from the shul window sill, and they will be replenished as needed.

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From This Week’s Daf

“There are times when a Kohein Gadol disqualifies his grandmother from eating *terumah*. How so? If a Kohein’s daughter was married to a Yisroel and bore him a daughter, and the daughter (a Yisroelis) went and married a Kohein and bore him a son, this [son] is fit to be the Kohein Gadol, standing and serving on top of the Altar. Since this individual is the son of a Kohein and the grandson of a Yisroel, he entitles his mother (a Yisroelis) to eat, but disqualifies his mother’s mother (a Koheiness) from eating. In commenting on the irony of the situation, this [woman] (the grandmother) says: ‘Let there not be many like my son the Kohein Gadol, who disqualifies me from eating *terumah*.’” (Yevamos 69b)

Refuah Shalaimah to

- Raizy Cohen, Raiselle bas Sarah

- Risha Saperstein, Risha Yonah bas Masha Shusha
- Sima Cooperman Rosenfelt, Sima bas Sarah



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 employment.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@tiferesyisroel.org.



Ride G'mach. Call the Ride G'mach at 410-358-RIDE (7433). We need ride offers when anyone drives interstate, any direction. There are high school students who live in Lakewood and in Brooklyn who learn in Baltimore schools and vice versa. Please help them get home for Shabbos. Not door-to-door, just city-to-city. Often, Chesed of Boro Park calls, needing a ride to/from New York for people with medical appointments in a Baltimore hospital.



Shul Rentals. To reserve the use of the shul's Simcha Hall or Nancy Taffel Annex, please contact Eileen Rosenbaum at 410-764-8443 or facilityrental@tiferesyisroel.org. For availability, go to www.tiferesyisroel.org, and click on the "Calendar" button on the left. This online calendar is kept up-to-date continuously.



Sponsorships. To arrange your sponsorship of the Lev Echad, email levechad@tiferesyisroel.org. Please send your donation to Congregation Tiferes Yisroel, 6201 Park Heights Avenue, Baltimore, MD 21215 or make your donation on the website.

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.

For the following, please contact Nisan Blaxberg at 443-527-1726 or seforim@tiferesyisroel.org:

- Siddur \$50
- Chumash \$75
- Yahrzeit Plaque \$300
- Other seforim may be dedicated as well.



Tehillim G'mach. The Sefer Tehillim can be said for an emergency situation R"l. Please call Leah 410-764-6252 or Judy 443-660-7650

TY SHIURIM SCHEDULE

(Unless otherwise noted, all shiurim are for men only)

Sunday:

- 9:15-10 am: Men's **Gemara Sukkah** shiur given by Rabbi Goldberger following Shacharis. Rashi, selected Tosfos and Maharshas.
- Rebbetzin Bracha's **Women's Tehillim** gathering for cholim and **Tehillim Chabura** for women on **ZOOM** on hiatus until June 12.
- 7:30 pm: **Ramchal's Mesillas Yesharim** shiur (and weekly shailos) for women with Rabbi Goldberger.
- Men's **Semichas Chaver Program** with Rabbi Elie Levi one hour before Mincha/Maariv.

Monday:

- **Rambam's Hilchos Tefillah** with Rabbi Goldberger following Maariv.

Tuesday:

- **Kitzur Shulchan Aruch** with Rabbi Goldberger following Maariv.

Wednesday:

- 7:00 pm: **Rabbeinu Bachya** with Jay Taffel on hiatus.

Thursday:

- **Midrash Rabbah** on the weekly parsha with Rabbi Goldberger following Maariv on hiatus.

Daily (Monday-Friday):

- Every morning following davening - Dvar Halacha by Rabbi Goldberger and Rabbi Yehuda Leib Goldberger.

Shabbos:

- 8:00 am: Daf Yomi shiur with Rabbi Yehuda Leib before Shacharis.
- After davening Friday night: Sidduro Shel Shabbos, with Nossi Gross.
- After Mussaf on Shabbos morning: Sidduro Shel Shabbos, with Nossi Gross.
- Shabbos shiur in **Chovos Halevavos Shaar HaBitachon** one hour before Mincha.

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