

Rabbi Menachem Goldberger

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Celebrating our 36th year

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DAVENING SCHEDULE**Friday**

Candle Lighting: 6:57-8:11 pm
Mincha/Maariv: 7:00 pm

Shabbos Day

Daf Yomi Shiur: 8:00 am
Shacharis (**Hodu**): 8:45 am

*Eat Shalosh Suedos early

Rabbi's Shabbos Shiur: 6:50 pm

Mincha: 7:55 pm
Maariv: 9:30 pm

Candles for Yom Tov: 9:42 pm

*All Night Learning

Sunday- Shavuos 1st Day

Shacharis: 5:00 am

*Rebbetzin's Cheesecake Kiddush!

2nd Shacharis: 8:45 am

Mincha: 8:00 pm

Maariv: 9:25 pm

Candles for Yom Tov: 9:43 pm

Monday- Shavuos 2nd DayShacharis (**Hodu**): 8:45 am

Mincha: 8:00 pm

Maariv: 9:25 pm

Tuesday-Friday

Shacharis: 7:00 am

Mincha/Maariv: 8:20 pm

Next Shabbos- Nasso

Candle Lighting: 7:01-8:15 pm

Friday Mincha: 7:00 pm

Keren HaShvi'is Fund

This year is a Shemittah year, and we all have the opportunity to participate in this great mitzvah by contributing to the Keren HaShvi'is Fund, a fund set up to help provide financial support for the Shemittah farmers. Please contribute generously to the Keren HaShevi'is Fund by going to the shul website under

DONATIONS/PAYMENTS and selecting **DONATION**, then selecting under **TYPE** -- Rabbi's Discretionary Fund, Keren HaShvi'is.

Shavuos Learning Schedule

- **12 to 12:45 am:** "Why is that Baby Crying? - Anesthetics for Bris Milah" with Rabbi Elie Levi in the main shul sunroom for men
- **12 to 12:45 am:** "Torah Hashem - The Beauty is In the Balance" with Rabbi Shlomo Goldberger in the upstairs Bais Medrash for women
- **12 to 1:00 am:** "Moshe Rabbeinu Faces Down the Malachim to Bring Us the Torah" [from Gemara Shabbos] with Rabbi Goldberger in the main shul for Middle School boys
- **12 am to daybreak:** - "Rav Saadya Gaon's Poetic Rendition of the Taryag Mitzvos" with R'Nossi Gross in the main shul for men
- **1:00 to 2:00 am:** "Torah of the 'Chalban' - The Journey from Pesach to Shavuos, from Matzah to Mon" with R' Yehuda Weisbord in the main shul sunroom for men
- **2:15 to 3:15 am:** "Soneh Matanos Yichyeh and Matan Torah - Hating Gifts, But Not the Gift of the Torah" with Rabbi Ori Strum in the main shul sunroom for men

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.

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.

Halfway to Sinai

Halfway to Sinai will iy"H open this Shabbos for the summer season. If you are walking to Sinai Hospital, Levindale or any other distant destination on Shabbos or Yom Tov, you can rest your feet and have a cold drink on the porch at 3000 Glen Avenue (corner Key Avenue). For more information, call 410-299-5921. Wishing everyone a healthy summer!

Mazel Tov to

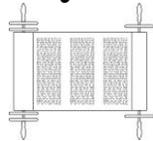
- Scott and Helayne Ference on the birth of a grandson born to Perry and Meira Lazar. May they be zoche l'hachniso bivriso shel Avraham Avinu bizmano ul'gadlo l'Torah l'chuppah ul'maasim tovim.

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 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 in honor of:
Matan Torah!

Weekly Parsha



Parshas Bamidbar

By Rabbi A. Leib Scheinbaum

“Moshe counted them according to the word of Hashem, as he had been commanded” (3:16)

Rashi cites the dialogue that ensued between Moshe Rabbeinu and Hashem concerning the counting of the infants. Moshe asked, “How can I enter into their tents to ascertain the number of nursing infants?” Clearly, it would be a breach of modesty. Hashem replied, “You do that which is yours to do, and I will do that which is Mine.” Thus, Moshe would go and stand at the entrance to the tent, and the Divine Presence would precede him there. A Heavenly Voice would emanate from the tent and say, “There is such and such a number of babies in the tent.” This is the underlying meaning of *al pi Hashem*, “according to the word of Hashem.”

It seems like a wonderful process. Moshe walks over to the tent, and Hashem calls out the number of babies. Why only the babies? Why did they not employ this process for everyone? Indeed, why did Moshe have to go to the camp altogether? He could have remained in his “office” and recorded all of the numbers, “according to the word of Hashem.”

Horav Baruch Mordechai Ezrachi explains that this is the principle that prevails throughout all avenues of life’s endeavors. The person acts, and when his actions have reached the limit of his ability- when he can achieve no more, Heaven responds and “takes over,” completing the initiative. He must make the effort- he must put forth his endeavor before Divine assistance is merited. Therefore, concerning the other individuals to be counted, Hashem had no reason to intervene; Moshe could do the census on his own. Since, concerning the infants he was prevented from completing the count due to reasons of immodesty, Heaven intervened.

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Knowing One’s Place

Sefer Bamidbar begins with Hashem’s command to Moshe to take another census of the Jewish people in the *midbar*: “Take a census of the entire assembly of the Children

of Israel according to their families...” (Bamidbar 1:2). Rashi points out that by this census, the Bnei Yisroel were counted by tribes; the earlier censuses [in Sefer Shemos] had counted the nation as a whole, without recognizing separate tribal identities (Bechor Shor). Rav Yaakov Kamenetsky explains why the censuses of Shemos counted the nation as a whole, whereas those of Bamidbar counted the tribes separately: “Until it was established that the central motif in Jewish life is the Sanctuary, there was a danger that one’s identification with his own tribe would lead to ‘nationalism’ and factionalism. Once it was established that all the tribes looked to the *Mishkan* as their primary unifying force, the establishment of separate tribal identities would be healthy. With this understanding, each tribe would realize that its individual abilities should be developed for the service of Israel’s national goal of Heavenly service. Then the tribes would be separate only in terms of the unique roles they were to play in realizing the national destiny” (Artscroll Stone Chumash).

Parshas Bamidbar describes the hierarchy of the Jewish people and the formation in which they traveled. It identifies the *nesi'im*, the tribal leaders, and how the twelve *shevatim* are divided into four different camps, consisting of three tribes each, one of which led the camp. Finally, the Bnei Levi are assigned their specific responsibilities, according to their family, regarding the deconstruction of and traveling with the *Mishkan* and its vessels, as well as their place of encampment around the *Ohel Moed*. The formation of the Jewish people and different encampments around the *Mishkan* defined the place of each Jew as the nation traveled through the *midbar*, and enabled the individual to know his place.

Knowing one’s place is essential to Torah life. Certain people were born to lead, others to follow. Each person has certain strengths and weaknesses, attributes and flaws, abilities and shortcomings. It is incumbent upon each individual to know himself and recognize those things with which Hashem has blessed him, to assume his individual role and define his specific mission. Knowing one’s place is so important that it is listed as one of the forty-eight ways by which Torah is acquired (Avos 6:6). According to Tiferes Yisroel, this refers to self-knowledge. One must have an honest estimate of himself and recognize his own inadequacies in knowledge and wisdom. As Maharal writes: “Only one who senses he is lacking something will seek out the Torah, which brings completion to the incomplete” (Artscroll Pirkei Avos Treasury).

Rav Noach Weinberg writes: “*Hamakir es mekomo*, knowing your place, starts with understanding your personal makeup: your unique traits, talents, abilities, and knowledge. Having this requisite self-understanding helps one determine when it is appropriate to speak

up or take action, and when it is appropriate to remain silent or let others take the lead. In order to respond to situations correctly, you need to know your place. A true leader does not push himself into the limelight in order to gain attention and fame. He takes responsibility when there is a clear and definite need, but he is fully prepared to take the backseat when that is what the situation calls for.”

Knowing one’s place is knowing who you are; knowing from where you came, and where you are headed. I believe this understanding is an essential element for spiritual growth. We all know the areas in which we excel, and those areas which need improvement. To grow spiritually, one must be honest with oneself and truly committed to self-improvement. I have found that one *derech* towards spiritual growth is through the emulation of a tzaddik - someone that you recognize to be a “few steps” ahead on the path that you wish to travel. When my dear friend Reb Shuki Nissan was here in Baltimore, I took every opportunity I could to learn with him. And indeed, I learned so much from him. Not only from *mamash* the Torah that we learned together, but more so through observation of his refined *middos* and overall demeanor - his *derech erez*. Not to *be* him, but to aspire to be *like* him – to “walk in his footsteps” and emulate his ways, to try and refine my own character. “The true role models of Torah do not just practice Judaism, they personify it. Their very action is guided by Torah principles, and is worthy of study as much as actual Torah commandments. In fact, the practices of tzaddikim are deemed to be a living supplement to the Torah” (Sfas Emes). The ability to recognize greatness in another, and to try to implement those qualities into one’s self can be a highly motivating factor for one’s own spiritual growth. Know your place and who you are, but more importantly, know who you want to become, and do whatever it takes to get there.

“Akavia ben Mahalalel says: Consider three things and you will not come into the grip of sin: Know whence you came, wither you go, and before Whom you will give justification and reckoning” (Avos 3:1). Rabbi Dovid Goldwasser explained that this Mishnah can be understood on multiple levels. On the one hand, as the Mishnah continues: “‘Whence you came?’ – from a putrid drop; ‘whither you go?’ – to a place of dust, worms and maggots.” Akavia ben Mahalalel is describing how man’s physical existence begins “ignominiously in the form of a putrid seminal drop” (Rav) and ends as a corpse in the grave: “Man should be aware of the futility of concentrating on physical fulfillment, for he toils only for the benefit of the maggots” (R’ Yonah). R’ Moshe Almosnino views this first part of the Mishnah as addressed to man’s soul. “Know, O soul, whence you come.” The human soul, a spark of the Eternal G-d, emanates from beneath the

Heavenly Throne. Imbued with such Divinity, man is enjoined to retain the purity of his soul and not besmirch it with sin. Additionally, realize “whither you go” – you must return your soul to your Maker as spotless and pristine [if not more pristine, enhanced by our good deeds] as you received it. Furthermore, by living your life correctly, you can go on to a world of eternal reward, where you will bask in the goodness of the Almighty (Artscroll Pirkei Avos Treasury). Rabbi Dovid Goldwasser emphasized the importance of knowing “whence you came” – that our holy *neshamos* are from the source of all Holiness, and that we are holy beings with endless potential for holiness, and “wither you go” – back to the source of all Holiness - to the World of Truth, to Olam Haba. May we all be zoche... A gutten Shabbos.

-Lev Avraham Rosenstock

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.

Day 49

This Shabbos is erev Shavuos, day 49 of *Sefiros HaOmer*, *Malchus She-be-Malchus*, Kingship within Kingship. In his sefer, *Sefiros*, Rabbi Yaakov Haber writes: “We are G-d’s creations and His subjects. In a sense it is we who make G-d the King. Accept the fact that G-d rules the world and offer your thanks for the good things in your life. True leadership can only come through the realization that the

power is not our own. We are representatives of something much larger. As long as we remember that we are representatives of G-d in the world, we can become G-dly. The Chofetz Chaim used to have a special jacket hanging on the back of the door which he planned to wear when he went out to greet Mashiach. What will you wear to greet Mashiach?”

Parsha Poem

“These are the sons of Aaron and Moshe,”
But they’re only the children of Aaron,
Although Moshe’s sons are included as well,
They’re counted in the family of Amram.

And for the first time, Aaron, the first born,
Gets direction directly from God.
Something is changing here in BaMidbar,
Accounting for this will be hard.

Moshe still leads his People, but no longer his Tribe,
Aaron and his sons serve the Mishkan.
And as we’ll learn later,
We must “count” on ourselves,
For there’ll be no one else to lay blame on.

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.

Joe Hertzmark, Yosef ben Elias a”h, 5 Sivan, great-grandfather of Yosef Hertzmark

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Sfas Emes

“The true role models of Torah do not just practice Judaism, they personify it. Their very action is guided by Torah principles, and is worthy of study as much as actual Torah commandments. In fact, the practices of tzaddikim are deemed to be a living supplement to the Torah. The conduct of Boaz, as depicted in Megillas Rus, is a classic example of the personification of Torah through the actions of tzaddikim. The very name ‘Boaz’ can be seen as an amalgam of the words **ב** and **צ**, meaning ‘strength is within him.’ He was a man of innate strength and courage, someone well equipped to focus the searchlight of Torah on situations not previously clarified.”

Women’s Tehillim

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

From This Week’s Daf

“Rav Pappa and Rav Huna ben Rav Yehoshua visited Hintzevu, the locale of Rav Idi bar Avin. They asked [the visiting scholars]: Are eligible women [daughters of Kohanim] forbidden to be married to disqualifying men, such as *chalalim*, or not? Rav Pappa answered them: You have learned the answer to this in the following Mishnah: Ten genealogical classes went up from Bavel to Eretz Yisroel. Kohanim, Levi’im, Yisraelim, *chalalim*, converts, and freed Canaanite slaves, *mamzerim*, *nesinim*, *shetukim* and *asufim*. Kohanim, Levi’im and Yisraelim are permitted to enter into marriage with one another. Levi’im, Yisraelim, *chalalim*, converts, and freed slaves are permitted to enter into marriage with one another. Converts, freed slaves, *mamzerim*, *nesinim*, *shetukim* and *asufim* are permitted to enter into marriage with one another. Now, this Mishnah does not state that a Koheiness is permitted to a chalal. It thus implies that such a union is forbidden -?” (Yevamos 85a)

Refuah Shalaimah to

- Raizy Cohen, Raiselle bas Sarah
- Risha Saperstein, Risha Yonah bas Masha Shusha

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- Sima Cooperman Rosenfelt, Sima bas Sarah



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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.



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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. **No shiur this week.**
- Rebbetzin Bracha's **Women's Tehillim** gathering for cholim and **Tehillim Chabura** for women on **ZOOM** on hiatus until June 12.
- Men's **Semichas Chaver Program** with Rabbi Elie Levi one hour before Mincha/Maariv. **No shiur this week.**

Monday:

- **Rambam's Hilchos Tefillah** with Rabbi Goldberger following Maariv. **No shiur this week.**

Tuesday:

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

Wednesday:

- 7:00 pm: **Rabbeinu Bachya** with Jay Taffel 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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