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DAVENING SCHEDULE

Friday

Candle Lighting: 7:02 pm Mincha/Maariv: 7:00 pm

Shabbos Day

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Shacharis (Hodu): 8:45 am Mincha: 6:30 pm Maariv: 8:15 pm Shabbos is over after: 8:33 pm 1st Megillah: 9:00 pm Melava Malka/Purim Shpiel: 9:45 pm 2nd Megillah: 10:30 pm

Sunday - Purim Day

Shacharis: 8:00 am 8:45 am 1st Megillah: 2nd Megillah: 11:00 am Mincha: 4:00 pm

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Monday-Friday

Shacharis: 7:00 am Mincha/Maariv: 7:10 pm

Next Shabbos- Tzav

7:09 pm Candle Lighting: Friday Mincha: 7:00 pm

Sock Gemach

Have you noticed a hole in one of your favorite pairs of socks? Does your dryer seem to eat a sock every now and again, leaving you with one odd sock? No need to worry -TY's own Elka Rottman's basement sock gemach is now celebrating its seventh year of serving the Baltimore community! There are hundreds of socks from which to choose, including a variety of striped, polka-dotted, and of course, solid black or white. Please be sure to wash the sock thoroughly before returning. For more

info or to donate socks, please contact Elka at 443-SOC-KS4U or sockgemach@gmail.com.

Community Asifa for Men

There will be a Baltimore Community Asifa in honor of the 2nd yahrzeit of Maran Sar HaTorah Rav Chaim Kanievsky zt"l, this Monday, Shushan Purim, at Shomrei Emunah. 7:30 pm seder Limud; 8:15 pm Siyum followed by hisorirus from HaRav Pinchas Gross shlita; Maariy at 8:45 pm. Refreshments after Maariy.

Baruch Dayan HaEmes

Congregation Tiferes Yisroel is saddened to learn of the passing of Eddie Friedman a"h, brother of our dear friend and shul member Rabbi Fred Friedman. Shivah will be at the Friedman home, 6108 Gist Avenue, Monday 9:00 am to 12:30 pm; 4:30 pm to 7:30 pm. Shacharis Monday and Tuesday at 7:30 am. May Hashem grant comfort to Rabbi Fred amongst the mourners of Tzion and Yerushalayim.

Donations

- · Yahrzeit donation by Jerry and Elka Rottman in loving memory of her father, Aryeh Leib ben Eliyahu HaKohen a"h on his 13th yahrzeit, 13 Adar II
- Donation by Joseph Ely in honor of Rabbi Goldberger and all that he does
- · Yahrzeit donation by Shalomis Koffler in memory of her father, Robert Koffler, Yitzchak ben Elazar Dov a"h, 14 Adar I

Want to Be a "Minyanaire"?!

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

Please check the seasonal davening schedule or the Lev Echad for exact times.

Melava Malka/Purim Shpiel

Please join us this motzei Shabbos at 9:45 pm following Megillah reading for a Melava Malka and Purim Shpiel with pizza, fries, and hamentashen! This event is sponsored by Howard and Dvora Sora Reznick l'ilui nishmas Victor Reznick, Avigdor ben Zev a"h.

Interstate Rides Needed!

A few weeks ago, a frum man was traveling on erev Shabbos by Greyhound to Baltimore. The bus stopped at a rest stop in Delaware and unknowingly left without him, leaving him behind stranded in Delaware. Candle lighting was 4:30 pm! The Baltimore Share Your Ride G'mach had one single ride offer from Queens, NY, who was two and a half hours away from Baltimore. Once they explained the situation, the NY driver said he would stop and pick up that Yid, which he did, and he saved the day!

-Mrs. Míryom Edelson

Mazel Tov to

• RabbiYehuda Leib Goldberger on making a siyum on daled chelkei Shulchan Aruch. Yasher koach! Mechayil el chayil!

From the Daf

"Rava said: One is obligated to become intoxicated with wine on Purim, until one does not know the difference between cursed is Haman and blessed is Mordechai. Rabbah and R' Zeira had the Purim feast together. They became intoxicated. Rabbah arose and slew R' Zeira. The next day, [Rabbah] prayed for mercy on R' Zeira's behalf and revived him. The following year [Rabbah] asked [R' Zeira]: Let master come and we will have the Purim feast together. [R' Zeira] answered him: Not every time does a miracle occur." (Megillah 7b)

This week's Lev Echad is sponsored by:

Yaakov "Jack" Daniels, Boruch "Bud" Weiser and Yonatan "Johnny" Walker. Have a freilichen and festive Purim!

Weekly Parsha



Parshas Vayikra

The Small Aleph

Sefer Vayikra begins with the pasuk, "And He called (ויקרא) to Moshe, and Hashem spoke (וידבר) to him from the Tent of Meeting, saying (לאמר)..." (Vayikra 1:1). It's interesting to note that this pasuk contains three different expressions for the word "say," and the ℵ at the end of the word ויקרא is written smaller than the other letters. Rashi states that the word ויקרא (He called) preceded every statement, and every saying, and every command. It is a language of affection; but to the prophets of the other nations of the world, He revealed Himself to them in a language of briefness and impurity, as it is written: "G-d happened (זיקר) [without the x] upon Bilaam" (Bamidbar 23:4). Rashi continues to expound: The word ויקרא indicates that the "speaking" which follows was made endearingly; the call consisted of a loving pronouncement of Moshe's name.

Although the Torah does not say so explicitly, whenever it says that G-d addressed Moshe using a form of the verb "to speak" (אמר) or "to say" (אמר) or "to command" (אמר) to introduce what is stated, He first "called" - that is, G-d first addressed Moshe by calling his name twice (Toras Kohanim, 1:6-7). The Gur Aryeh notes that the word אור סיינים וויים לאמר (Vayikra 1:1) indicates that "calling" preceded "speaking" - the word אור לאמר the end of the verse indicates that it preceded "saying" - and the word אור סיינים לאמר סיינים לאמר אור וויים וויים לאמר הוויים לאמר אור וויים וויים לאמר הוויים וויים וויי

As mentioned above, the word ויקרא contains a small x, as if to make it appear like the word used for Bilaam (ויקר), which has the connotation of "chance" or "impurity." Chazal find many homiletical insights in this usage: The Baal HaTurim states, "In his monumental humility, Moshe Rabbeinu wished to describe G-d's revelation to him with the same uncomplimentary word used for Bilaam, ויקר, without an X, but G-d instructed him to include the x as an expression of affection. Too humble to do so wholeheartedly, Moshe wrote a small R." R' Simcha Bunim of Peshischa writes, "The smallness is meant to give prominence to the letter as if it were a separate word. The word אלה means 'to teach,' thus implying that one should learn to always be 'small' and

humble. No man was better qualified to teach this lesson than Moshe, who was not only the greatest of all prophets, but also the humblest person who ever lived" (Artscroll Stone Chumash).

Rav Noach Weinberg adds that the essence of humility is recognizing that all our strengths, our Torah learning, our blessings, and even our efforts are all a gift from Hashem. He writes: "We mistakenly attribute our accomplishments to our own abilities instead of recognizing that they are gifts from Hashem. The Talmud (Shabbos 105b) explains that the verse. 'There shall be no strange god within you' (Tehillim 81:10) refers to the yetzer hara, the evil inclination, which constantly tempts us to believe that our powers are the cause of our successes, instead of attributing these successes to Hashem." As the pasuk states, "And you may say in your heart, 'My strength and the might of my hands made me all this wealth" (Devarim 8:17); in other words, "I accomplished this."

Rav Noach's great-grandfather was the Slonimer Rebbe, and not long after Ray Noach opened his first veshivah for baalei teshuvah he met several of his Israeli cousins, Slonimer chassidim, at a family simcha. Rav Noach first came to Eretz Yisroel wearing a "light-colored suit," and these cousins were amazed at his success and asked him how he was able to reach out to so many baalei teshuvah. He answered them with the following mashal: "When you walk through the streets of Yerushalayim, it is not uncommon to see large cranes lifting many tons of building materials and depositing them in the correct location. There is always one person standing at that location who places his hands under the load to make sure it comes to rest at the right spot. A fool, watching this man, thinks that he has super-human strength, for he is holding tons of weight with his bare hands! But a wise man takes a step back and sees the bigger picture it is the crane that is carrying the burden - the man below is just guiding it into place." So, too, did Hashem bring these men to his yeshivah, and all Rav Noach did was help to provide the guidance and support necessary to help bring them back to Him and His Torah. Fully aware of Hashem's role and his own, Rav Noach attributed the success to Him instead of

As I wrote last week, we must be aware that although we are required to do our *hishtadlus* in this world, really it is only Hashem that determines the outcome. The Beis HaLevi explains this idea with the concept of the *manna*. He writes: Similarly, in the matter of a person's sustenance, all of his knowledge and *hishtadlus* will not help him at all to gain more than what was decreed by Hashem for him. This is comparable to what the Scripture states regarding the *manna*: "They measured [what they collected] in an *omer* [measure], and whoever took more had nothing extra and

whoever took less was not lacking" (Shemos 16:18). And the *manna* was a sign for all generations that a person's effort will not help him whatsoever to get more than what Hashem decreed for him (Artscroll Beis HaLevi on Bitachon). A gutten Shabbos.

-Lev Avraham Rosenstock

Purim Poem

Achashverosh was a king, Who had lots of bling, That was stolen from the Bayis Rishon. He had a heathen for a wife, And lived a decadent life, In his palace in the city of Shushan.

They came from the East,
To the king's fancy feast,
Where he showed off his wealth and his glory.
He got drunk and obscene,
And he murdered the queen,
And, thus, we begin our story.

Now Esther had grace, And a beautiful face, Although her complexion was green. The king was impressed, And chose her from the rest, And Esther became the new queen.

And nobody knew,
That she was a Jew,
And she tried hard to be a "good wife."
But as we will soon see,
It was Haman's decree,
That made her fear for her life.

And so, it was written,
That the Jews would be smitten,
Causing them to lament.
But the decree came from Above,
And was sent down with Love,
So that His children would come to repent.

And when all of the Jews, Heard the terrible news, Of Haman's murderous scheme. Their faith and their trust, Were about to go bust, And Mordechai sent out a meme.

It was Mordechai's fate,
To sit by the King's gate,
In sackcloth as he cried out.
Esther sent her drudge,
To give Mordechai a nudge,
To find out what this was about.

When she heard the whole thing, Esther approached her husband the king, To invite him and Haman to her soiree. The king acquiesced, And to Haman he stressed, "Make sure you do not delay."

Haman went out, With visions of clout, To tell his wife Zeresh the good news. But the joy did not last, And the hate came on fast, And his mind went right back to the Jews.

"Let the gallows be made, fifty cubits high," And tomorrow Mordechai shall surely die.

But it happened that night, That the king was not right, And he could not sleep at all. He took a quick look, In the king's record book, And this is what he saw.

Bigsan and Seresh had a desire, To kill the king, did they conspire. But Mordechai heard and saved the king's life, By foiling their plan by informing the king's wife.

His reward of course,
Was to ride the king's horse,
Wearing a royal robe and a crown.
And Haman, of course,
He led the horse,
Through the city square with a frown.

Down and out, His visions of clout, Were quickly dashed away. And if Haman only knew, What was about to ensue, He would not have gotten out of bed that day.

At the Queen's party,
The king felt quite hearty,
And asked her to make her request.
But with all of the strife,
She feared for her life,
And tried hard to do her best.

"There is a man, Who has a plan, To annihilate every Jew." And when her husband the king, Heard this thing, He demanded she tell him, "Who?"

Esther cried out, With tears and a shout, "This wicked Haman" is the one! Who spread the news, To kill all the Jews, From Hodu to Cush to Shushan.

The king was enraged,
And no longer engaged,
In Haman's evil plot.
And Haman and his sons,
They were the ones,
Who were hanged and left out to rot.

And then the king,
Gave Mordechai his ring,
And declared him viceroy of the land.
He annulled the decree,
And the Jews were now free,
To "gain the upper hand."

By Purim we learn, That a Jew must yearn, To connect with the One Above. Our Father, our King, Our everything, Who wants our teshuvah with love.

Purim is the time for transformation, A reversal of fortune and great elation, When He brings salvation to His holy nation.

A gutten Shabbos and a freilichin Purim.
-Lev Avraham Rosenstock

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.

Stanley Blum, Shmuel ben Shlaima David a"h, 13 Adar, uncle of Hinda Blum

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From This Week's Daf

"One who finds a kav of sesame seeds spread over an area of four amos square what is [the law]? Should it be presumed that the owner will return for them or has he abandoned them? The Gemara explains. What is the principal reason that a person abandons a kav of grain kernels spread over four amos? Is it because they are not significant enough to warrant the owner's return for them? If so, then in the case of sesame seeds, since they are more valuable than grain, [the owner] does not renounce his ownership of them. Or, perhaps, the principal reason one abandons a kav of grain kernels spread over four amos is because the effort needed to collect **them is** too **great.** If so, it follows **that** all the more so in the case of sesame seeds, which are tiny, since the effort needed to collect them is even greater, [the owner] certainly renounces his ownership of them." (Bava Metzia 21a)

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Community

• March 27: A Single Impact invites frum single, divorced, or widowed women and men of all ages to "Parsha and Pizza" on Wednesday nights, with a variety of speakers! Next class will be on March 27, from 8:00 to 9:00 pm. Cost is \$3.00 per

person; sponsorships available. For more information, or to RSVP, please go to: asingleimpact.com/event/pizza.

Rambam's Hilchos Tefillah

Join Rabbi Goldberger for the Monday night shiur for men in the Rambam's Hilchos Tefillah following Maariv.

Mechiras Matzah!

Matzah, matzah, matzah. Matzah here, matzah there, matzah, matzah everywhere! If you are like most of us, by the time Pesach is over, you do not want to even look at another piece of matzah, much less eat another piece of it until next Pesach. So, what should you do with all of your leftover matzah? Back by popular demand, Congregation Tiferes Yisroel will be doing a week of Mechiras Matzah! Beginning Sunday, April 16, through the following Sunday, April 23, Rabbi Goldberger will be available to mamash sell all your leftover matzah to a non-Jew. For those who want to be extra stringent, you may also do a Bedikas Matzah to make sure that every trace of matzah has been removed from your home and your car forever (or at least until next Pesach!). Stay tuned for a schedule of times and dates to sell your matzah.

Refuah Shalaimah to

- Raizy Cohen, Raiselle bas Sarah
- Risha Saperstein, Risha Yonah bas Masha Shusha
- Sima Cooperman Rosenfelt, Sima bas Sarah
- Emunah Friedman, Emunah L'Ori bas Naches
- Saul Cohen, Saul HaCohen ben Feiga Bryna



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

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.



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.



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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.

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To sponsor Shemen Lamaor for a month or the Lev Echad for a week, the donation is \$36.

For the following, please contact Caryn Blum carynblum@icloud.com:

Siddur \$50

Chumash \$75

Yahrzeit Plaque \$360

TY Traveling Minyan RV \$600,000

Other seforim may be dedicated as well.

TY SHIURIM SCHEDULE

(Unless otherwise noted, all shiurim listed here 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.
- Women's Tehillim for cholim at 10:15 am. (Please contact Rebbetzin Bracha for your assignment).
- Men's **Semichas Chaver Program** with Rabbi Elie Levi following Maariv.

Monday:

• Rambam's Hilchos Tefillah with Rabbi Goldberger following Maariv.

Tuesday:

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

Wednesday:

 Rabbeinu Bachya with Jay Taffel following Maariv.

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.

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Good Shabbos & Freilichin Purim!



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