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MESSAGE FROM THE RABBI

In this week's Parsha, we find the Jews preparing to leave מצרים after hundreds of years of a veritable Holocaust - complete with all the horrors of death, slavery and torture. They are given the מצוה of פסח, believing this will be their ticket out, their passport to leave behind all the suffering and begin a new life of freedom.

It is foretold to them that at exactly midnight they will be *free* - not a second longer and not a minute before. This is the precise time the world has been waiting for, the time the Jew would take his place in the world as a Nation. Yet the possuk instructs the people לא תצאו איש מפתח ביתו עד בקר, *"And you should not leave your house until morning."* So the first night of freedom is spent in lockdown, no one was allowed to leave the home.

How ironic it must be to be told you're free but you can't walk outside. For this we must understand the purpose of the freedom, and in fact, the purpose of the entire episode of Golus Mitzraim. The Torah tells it to us in the second possuk of our parsha: *"למען תספר באזני בנך ובן ובתך...וידיעתם כי אני ה'"*, *"All this is in order that you will tell your children and your children's children...that I am HASHEM."* This is the purpose of the entire experience. It is an internal process more so than an external one, in that a person can run free and wild into the street proclaiming his freedom but still be enslaved and entangled in his heart and mind.

רבינו instructs the people: *"Don't leave the פתח ביתו of your homes, let your first experience of freedom be an internal חירות of the mind and soul, contemplating the new relationship with הקב"ה. Stay for a while inside your homes, which were converted to a מצבה on this night, and tell your children of the greatest freedom, believing in the רבש"ע."* And throughout history the confines of the Jewish home has always been the sanctuary of spiritual freedom and rejuvenation for us.

As the Ramban at the end of the parsha says, *כוננת כל המצות, שנאמין באלקינו ... והיא כוננת היצירה*.

Have a good Shabbos,
יוסף צבי ווייס

SHABBOS ZMANIM

	Candle Lighting.....	4:45 PM
	Shkia.....	5:03 PM
	Mincha/Kabbolas Shabbos.....	4:50 PM
	Shacharis.....	7:00, 9:00 AM
	Sof Zman Krias Shema.....	9:50 AM
	Youth Groups.....	9:30 AM KIDS DAVENING 9:45
	Mincha.....	2:00, 4:35 PM
	Maariv.....	5:50 PM

SHUL NEWS

MAZAL TOV to the Gidon & Irene Israilov on the engagement of their daughter Raya Israilov to Kalman Sternbach! The Vort will be at Israilov's house, 6518 Gardenwick, on January 20th between 2 and 4. May they be זוכה לבנות בית נאמן בישראל!

MAZAL TOV to Yossi & Devorah Fisher on the birth of a baby girl! May they be זוכה לגדלה לתורה לחופה ולמעשים טובים!

LADIES COOKING DEMO The Ohr Hachaim Sisterhood is pleased to invite all ladies to an upscale cooking demo & tasting with the renowned **Susie Fishbein**, author of the Kosher by Design cookbook series and celebrity Kosher chef! Tuesday, February 5 at the Weiss Home, 6205 Wirt Avenue. **Very limited spots available** - RSVP today!

As always, we encourage all to greet new faces and wish a *Good Shabbos* to those we don't know (yet.) Thank you!



HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Dovid Boehm (Tuesday, January 15)
Naftali Fink (Tuesday, January 15)
Vice President Moshe Stewart (Wednesday, January 16)

COMMUNITY NEWS

WORKSHOP FOR SINGLE MOMS - Self Esteem in the Fast Lane presented by Rabbi Yisroel Roll Wednesday, January 16th 8:30-9:30pm at 2723 Hanson Ave. For more information 410-258-7637.

THE BALTIMORE HOLOCAUST SURVIVORS AND DESCENDANTS GROUP will have the next meeting on Sunday, January 13, 2019 at 3:00 pm in Park Heights JCC. PLEASE NOTE THE CHANGE IN DATE AND TIME. We will join other Baltimore Agencies for this special program: THE LAND WE ALWAYS DREAMED OF: The Jews, the Holocaust, and the Yearning for a Homeland. For more information contact Felicia at 443-759-5556 or hgraber@earthlink.net

A Gut Shabbos!

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WEEKDAY ZMANIM

Shacharis.....6:55, 7:30, 8:20 AM
 Sunday Shacharis..... 9:00 AM
 Mincha.....1:25, 3:05 PM
 Mincha/Maariv..... 4:55 PM
 Maariv.....8:00, 9:45, 10:45 PM

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WEEKLY SCHEDULE OF SHIURIM

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LEARNING	SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THUR	FRI	שבת
Shabbos Chumash & Chassidus							8:30 AM
Early Morning Kolllel		6:30 AM	6:30 AM	6:30 AM	6:30 AM	6:30 AM	9:00 AM
Daf Yomi (w/ Rabbi Weiss)	7:45 AM	7:00 AM	7:00 AM	7:00 AM	7:00 AM	7:00 AM	
Daf Yomi (w/ Rabbi Bergman)	8:20 AM	8:20 AM	8:20 AM	8:20 AM	8:20 AM	8:20 AM	
B'nei Yissoscher	מנחה/מעריב	מנחה/מעריב	מנחה/מעריב	מנחה/מעריב	מנחה/מעריב		
Kollel Mekadshei Shevi'i							7:00-10:00 PM
Kol Hanearim							7:00 PM
Shivti Chabura (כבוד ועוגן שבת)	9:00 AM	8:15-9:00 PM	8:15-9:00 PM	8:15-9:00 PM	8:15-9:00 PM		
Night Kolllel (עבודה זרה)		8:15-9:45 PM	8:15-9:45 PM	8:15-9:45 PM	8:15-9:45 PM		
Blatt-A-Week Shiur (ערכין)		9:00-9:45 PM	9:00-9:45 PM	9:00-9:45 PM			
Sforno on Chumash Shiur					10:00 PM		
Women's Rosh Chodesh Shiur	<i>Women's Shiur by Rabbi Weiss on significance of the Hebrew month. Date & time to be announced monthly.</i>						