CONGREGATION BAIS TORAH

Nov 5, 2010 · 89 West Carlton Rd · Suffern, NY 10901 · (845)352-1343 · www.baistorah.org מרחשון ערב שבת פרשת תולדות

ערב שבת פרשת תולדות 5;29PM הדלקת נרות 5:35 PM מנחה 5:47 PM שקיעה

שבת פרשת תולדות 8:00 AM דף היומי 8:45 AM שחרית 8:45 AM מברכים החדש כסלו 10:06AM מברכים החדש כסלו Contemporary Halacha Shiur: 4:30PM מנחה 5:15 PM שקיעה 5:46 PM באריב 6:28 PM CHANGE CLOCKS BACK 1 HOUR at 2 AM Weekday שחרית שחרית Sunday 7:45 AM ראש חדש Mon. 6:10, 7:35 Tues, Wed. and Fri., 6:30 AM, 7:45 AM Thurs., 6:20 AM, 7:45 AM

Weekday מנחה-מעריב Sunday-Thursday: **4:30 PM**

מעריב SECOND מעריב Mon-Thurs 8:00 PM

ערב שבת פרשת ויצא 4;22PM הדלקת נרות 4:30 PM שקיעה 4:40 PM

Shiurim

שבת מנדל בת מנחם מנדל מיגל בת מנחם תהלים group מחסמת מנדל מיגל בת מנחם מנדל meets on שבת afternoon 30 minutes before the shiur Sundays at 8:30 AM − מסכת סנהדרין − Rabbi Yisroel Gottlieb

Tuesdays at 8:15 PM − Partners in Torah

Tuesdays at 8:15 PM Mishnayos class for women-Rabbi Avromi Fein

Wednesdays at 8:15 PM − 'במלכים ב' − Rabbi Yisroel Gottlieb

"או דף היומי ון, Monday through Friday 5:25 AM and Sunday at 6:30 AM − Mordechai Rudman

או דף היומי ון, Monday through Friday 7:00 AM − Rabbi Yisroel Gottlieb

"או דף היומי וון, Sunday through Friday 7:00 AM − Rabbi Yosef Fischer

Monday through Friday at 7 AM − 'באים - שחרית שחרית − ירושלמי - Rabbi Yosef Fischer

Monday through Friday after the second באים - Rabbi Yosef Fischer

Monday through Thursday at 9:45 AM − גמרא שיעור - Rabbi Leibel Reznick

Shul Announcements

This week's kiddush is sponsored by Dr. and Mrs. Moishe Kranzler in honor of the forthcoming wedding of their granddaughter Danielle Tokayer to Rafi Rubin, and the couple's plans to go on Aliyah.

שלישית sponsored by Dr. Bob Landa for the Shloshim of his brother, Dr. George Landa, and by Dr. Seymour Lutwak for the yartzheit of his father Yeshayahu ben Chaim Shimon

Join the new learning program, THIS SHABBOS, Parshas Toldos, under the direction of Rabbi Yaakov Hauer. The program meets each week 45 minutes before Mincha in the old Bais Medrash. This week it will meet at 4:30 p.m. REFRESHMENTS will be served!

Avos Ubanim Motza'ai Shabbos program begins November 13-Parshas Vayetzei, details to follow. If you would like to sponsor, please contact Jonathan Rosenstock at jonathan.rosenstock@.ge.com, or 369-6349. The schedule is available at our website, www.baistorah.org

Our **Scholar in Residence** weekend will be held on **December 10th and 11th, Parshas Vayigash**. Our featured speaker, back by popular demand, is Rabbi Edward Davis, the mora d'asrah of the Young Israel of Hollywood-Ft. Lauderdale. PLEASE contact Dr. Moshe Kranzler and tell him that you'd like to attend and be a sponsor of this annual event.

The next Kosher Food Pantry deadline for canned fruit is Monday November 15. Our quota is 120 cans of fruit per month.

Our mispallilim are encouraged to please return all siddurim, chumashim and seforim to their proper location in the bookcases

Mazal Tov

Ken and Judy Gribetz on the birth of a grandson, born to their children Vicki and Avi Witkin of Maaleh Adumim, Israel

Hamakom Yenachem

Diane Schuster on the petirah of her father, Herbert Richard

Refuah Shelaimah

Katie Tannenbaum's
מרחב משה בן דבורה טובה-Grandson-חיים מאיר יחיאל בן מלכה לאה
Henry Shapiro - חיים מונש בן חנה פרידא
מנחם מונש בן חנה פרידא
Bob Schore - חיים ראובן בן הענדל יהודית
Suzie Kirshenbaum's father - יוסף בן שרה
שלמה יעקב יונתן בן חנה רייזל

משה בן שולמית חנה בינהי בשה בן שולמית חנה בנימין בן בילה-בנימין בן בילה- בנימין בן בנימה בנימין בן בילהר חיה עטיל בת שלימה Chana Mayerfeld-חנה בת יהודית גיטל-Joel Rosenwasser's mother -פשע לאה בת שפרינצא Larry Seligson - אריה לייב בן רבקה ביני בת רחל

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Bais Torah Bulletin Email: baistorahbulletin@gmail.com, or call (845) 371-5337. All submissions are subject to review and must be submitted by 9pm Wednesday evening. This bulletin is downloadable from the web at www.baistorah.org.

In Case of Emergency

The **red Hatzoloh phone** is in the hallway on the wall between the rear washing station and the Simcha Room.

The **defibrillator** is in a cubby in the coat room opposite the Hatzoloh phone.

Parashas Toldos – 5771 –

The Generations till Mashiach

At the end of Parashas Toldos, all the characters are present, whose descendants would accompany the descendants of Yaakov, the "Shivtei Kah," the Twelve Tribes of HaShem, through history till the end of 6,000 years; namely, Esav and Yishmael. Esav, about whom Rabbi Shimon bar Yochai said, when Esav kissed Yaakov upon their reunion after many years, "It is a well-known halachah that Esav hates Yaakov, but in this particular instance, he kissed him whole-heartedly." And Rashbi's words were vindicated throughout the generations by the Roman Empire which destroyed the "Bayis Sheni" and exiled the Jewish People to the far corners of the world to an exile which has lasted nearly 2,000 years. The Roman legions were followed, after Rome adopted Christianity by the Crusaders of the 11th thru 13th centuries, the Inquisition of Spain and expulsions from Spain and Portugal. In France and Germany, there were murderous slanders against the Jewish People regarding the blood libel, poisoning the wells, etc. etc. And alas, in a distorted form of Christianity, Hitler, may his name be erased, destroyed a third of our People during the bloody horror of the Holocaust. John Paul II may have signaled a partial end to these persecutions with the proclamations of the Vatican II Conference. And Yishmael, who did Teshuvah at the end of his life, but about whose descendants the Torah says, "His hand is against everyone and everyone's hand is against him," has been relatively more placid regarding the Jews, except by the fanatical Almohades, who persecuted the Rambam and Ramban and their generations in the 12th and 13th centuries. And there were periods such as the Golden Age of Jewry in Spain, when Jews occupied positions of honor and authority, offset by expulsions from Spain and Portugal.

Regarding End-of-Days issues, Rabbi Shimon Schwab, in his essay "Comparative Jewish Chronology," builds a plausible argument that there are 168 years missing from our chronology, and the year is therefore 5939, rather than 5771, only 61 years distant from year 6,000. At the end of the essay, he says that Chaza"l presumably had good reasons for hiding those years during the Persian era, so he basically withdrew his argument.

In Perek Chelek of Maseches Sanhedrin, there is much discussion of Messianic times. One topic discussed, which we find also in the Chumash, is the idea of "shema yigrom ha-chet;" "lest sin may have contaminated the record." In connection with Yaakov, he says "If G-d will be with me..." (Bereshis 28:20); now Hashem had already said to him, "Behold, I am with you; I will guard you wherever you go, and I will return you to this soil..." (Bereshis 28:15) Ramban explains that the word "If" does not imply doubt that HaShem will keep his word. Rather, Yaakov feared that he might sin and forfeit his right to G-d's protection. In the Talmud, we find the idea in the mouths of a number of great Torah scholars. "Let him come, but let me not be present at that time." Abaye asked his uncle Rabbah, who had said this, what he was afraid of. If it was the fear of the "birth-pangs of the Masciach," the terrors of pre-Messianic conflict, Rabbi Elazar had assured his students that to avoid them, one had to engage in Torah study and in the performance of good deeds, and indeed, Rabbah had accomplished that in his life. Rabbah replied that even so, he was afraid "shema yigrom ha-chet," lest he may have sinned, and voided his protection.

The Almighty is described in one image as a woman in childbirth, when, at the time of the Redemption, he has great trouble displacing from the Land of Israel those who had lived upon it for centuries in favor of the Jewish People, His most-favored nation. But HaShem, as always, plays fair; He cries out, "These are My Creations and these are My Creations; how can I destroy these from before the others?" And indeed, He has shown that He will not just let us walk into the Land without struggling for it.

The Talmud resolves the contradiction regarding the Redemption implied by the words in the verse "In its time, I shall hasten it" by saying that it depends on us; if we are meritorious. He will hasten it, but if not, it will still come, but it will be a long and painful process. Let us strengthen ourselves and return to HaShem, so that He will hasten our Redemption without the pain of bitter conflict.