

BAIS TORAH BULLETIN

פרשת ויצא-
הדלקת נרות 4:13

November 24, 2017

ה' כסלו תשע"ח

ערב שבת פרשת ויצא

Candle lighting	4:13
Mincha	4:20
Shkiah	4:31

שבת פרשת ויצא

Hashkama	7:30
Daf Yomi	8:00
Shacharis	8:45
Sof Zman K" S	9:19
Halacha Shiur	3:15
Mincha	4:00
Shkiah	4:30
Maariv	5:12
Shabbos Ends	5:20

Weekday Schedule:

Week of 11/26-12/1

Sunday	7:45
Mon-Thurs	6:20,7:45
Tues, Weds, Fri	6:30,7:45

MINCHA-MAARIV

Sun-Thurs 4:20 PM

**Second Maariv
Mon-Thurs 7:30PM**

NEXT WEEK

שבת פרשת וישלח

Candle lighting	4:10
Mincha	4:20
Shkiah	4:28

WHAT'S NEW

This week's Kiddush is available for sponsorship

סעודה שלישית is available for programming.

Bnos is back, and begins next week! For girls K-8th grade. Shabbos afternoon from 2:30-3:30.

Please join us **Thursday November 30th (there are no shiurim on the 23rd) for shiurim through the Torah Conferencing Network. At 7:45 is Rabbi Mansour's shiur and at 9PM, is Rabbi Frand's shiur. Rabbi Reisman's shiur is Motzaei Shabbos at 7:30PM.**

THIS WEEK: Avos Ubanim is Motzaei Shabbos at 6:30 pm. This program of father-son learning is back for another inspiring year. Participants enjoy learning, pizza, and prizes!!! Thank you to **this week's Anonymous sponsor.** Sponsorships are available for \$50 per week.

For any questions, or to be a part of this program please contact Amy Gottlieb: mrsagottlieb@gmail.com

Join us Motzaei Shabbos December 2nd at 8:40 p.m., for the film "A Man Called Ove." Based on the international best-selling novel by Fredrik Backman, the film is a touching, beautiful and uplifting film. It was nominated for several awards, including two Academy Awards and was the winner of nine international awards, including Best Actor. In Swedish with Bais Torah -edited subtitles.

Bais Torah Sisterhood is resuming the Book Club. Reserve Tuesday evening, December 26, 2017, 7:30 p.m. for a tantalizing discussion of *The Rent Collector* by Camron Wright at the Kimmel home. Please call Hinda at 357-9571 to RSVP.

Bais Torah will once again be participating in an annual Chanukah Toy Drive, collecting on behalf of 19 charities in the tri-state area and two charities in Israel. (See attached.) You can make your check payable to Congregation Bais Torah and receive a tax receipt in return; be sure to inform us that your donation is for the toy drive. For further information, contact Dovid Katz at dovidkat@gmail.com.

MAZAL TOV

Marty and Carol Ginsberg on the birth of a grandson born to their children Hudi and Adam Kenigsberg of Mitzpeh Yericho

Dovid and Rena Bussu on the marriage of their children Yitzchak and Ahuva Bussu

Refuah Shelaimah

Katie Tannenbaum's grandson-

יהונתן משה בן דבורה טובה

Rosalie Kallner

שיינה רחל בת שרה הודל

Henry Shapiro-

חיים מאיר יחיאל בן מלכה לאה

Larry Seligson בן אריה לייב

רבקה

Larry Seligson's son-

רפאל אפרים בן סימא פריעדל

Manny Mayerfeld

מנחם בן קילה

פנחס לואן בן ריזל

Ruth Malinowitz

רבקה בת פריידא

Andy Yurowitz

אליהו זבי בן חנה

Shira Steinberg בת שירה רות

שרה

Rechyl Ortner's cousin

רחל ביילא בת גיטל

Goldress grandson

אילן רפאל בן טובה רבקה

Jennifer Herrman's mother

שרה צירלא בת יודיל

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SHIURIM

Women's Tehilim, l'zecher nishmas Feigel bas Menachem Mendel, meets **Shabbos** after-noon 45 minutes before the Halacha shiur

Sunday:

6:25 AM Daf Yomi

Rabbi Avromy Fein

8:30 AM Gemara Mischeches

Pesachim

Rabbi Yisroel Gottlieb

Mon-Friday

5:25 AM Daf Yomi I

Rabbi Avromy Fein

7:00 AM Daf Yomi II

Rabbi Yisroel Gottlieb

8:25 AM Chumash Shiur

Rabbi Yosef Fischer

9:45 AM Gemara Shiur

Rabbi Leibel Reznick

Wednesday -

8:00 PM Navi Shiur-trei asar

Rabbi Yisroel Gottlieb

Thursday

8:00 The Sandra Thurm Women's Mishna Class

Dr. Deborah Raice Fox

Parashas Vayetzei – The First Exile and Yeshivas Shem Ve-Ever

Parashas VaYetze, begins (Bereshis 28:10), "Vayetze Yaakov mi-Be'er Sheva, vayelech Charanah," "And Yaakov left Be'er Sheva, and traveled towards Charan." Over and above the significance of this event in his life and in the life of his family, which was extremely great - perhaps still greater was its significance, from the perspective of the Jewish People as a whole. For, using the principle of "Maasei Avos Siman LeBanim," "Actions of the Forefathers are models for their descendants," this departure of Yaakov from Be'er Sheva can be seen as the first "Galus," the first Exile, of the Jewish People.

In a sense, it was also the first expulsion, for Yaakov was forced by events, and by the requirement to obey his mother, to leave the Land of Israel. And he was to travel to a dangerous place, a place rife with idol worship and thievery. His destination was the home of Lavan, his uncle who, in the end, would try to rob him of all his "possessions," including his wives, his children and all his property and who, in the words of the Pesach Haggadah, "wanted to uproot everything."

During his stay with Lavan, Yaakov foreshadowed the experience of his descendants in a thousand locations. We read (Bereshis 31:38-42), "These twenty years I have been with you, your ewes and she-goats never miscarried, nor did I eat rams from your flock. That which was mangled I never brought you - I myself would bear the loss. In the case of a theft, you would deduct it from me, whether it was stolen by day or stolen by night. By day, heat scorched me; frost consumed me by night; sleep wandered from my eyes. This was my twenty years in your household: I served you for fourteen years for your two daughters, and six years for a percentage of your flocks; and you changed my salary ten times! Had not the G-d of my father - the G-d of Avraham and the 'One Who Aroused Dread in Yitzchak' - been with me, you would surely have sent me away empty-handed..."

In a sense, this journey of Yaakov was the reverse image of the journey that his grandfather, Avraham, had made early in the activities that he undertook in "partnership," so to speak, with the "Ribbono shel Olam," the Master of the Universe. HaShem had commanded him, as we read several weeks ago (Bereshis 12:1), "...Go forth from your land, and from your birthplace, and from the house of your father, to the Land that I will show you." This was the first "Aliyah," the first "going up," especially in the spiritual sense, to the Holy Land.

Yaakov teaches us how to fortify oneself for life in the "Galus." On the way to his uncle's house, he spends fourteen years in the "Yeshivah" of Shem and Ever, son and grandson, respectively, of Noah, Captain of the Ark, who saved humanity and all forms of non-aquatic life on earth, and who passed down his spirituality to his son, Shem. Shem and Ever founded a "Beis Midrash," an "Academy of Study" of the "Torah." Now the curriculum of this "Yeshivah" is a fascinating subject in itself, for there was taught the "Torah" generations before HaShem would give his "holy treasure" to the Jewish People on Mt. Sinai. But, whatever the subject matter was, it contained the Foundations of the Torah, principles of thought and behavior that would later be revealed at Sinai.

Having integrated this learning into his personality, Yaakov was prepared to deal with everything that the evil "Lavan," the hypocritical "White One," was able to throw his way. He would be able to say "Im Lavan garti, ve'Taryag Mitzvos Shamarti," "Although I lived with Lavan, I was still able to observe the entire Torah!"

This fortification with Torah is so necessary to survive spiritually in "Galus," in the embrace of a foreign culture. One's only chance at self-defense is the integration of a system of values, not man-made, that emphasizes "Kedushah," holiness, and enables one to come to grips with and defeat Lavan and "Saro shel Esav," the Representative of Esav, the "Yetzer HaRa," one's aroused Inclination towards Sin."

In our time, the struggle of "Medinas Yisrael" and the Jewish People with the Palestinians, the Iranians and Anti-Semites of all stripes, is fully engaged. We pray that the outcome of this struggle will be as it was with "Yaakov Avinu" (Bereshis 32:29), "for you have engaged in spiritual combat with Angels, and physical combat with men; and you have prevailed."

L'Illuy Nishmas beni, Aharon Baruch Mordechai ben Pinchas Menachem

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