

BAIS TORAH BULLETIN

פרשת נח
הדלקת נרות 6:02

October 12, 2018

ג' חשוון תשע"ט

ערב שבת פרשת נח

Candle lighting	6:02
Mincha	6:10
Shkiah	6:20

שבת פרשת נח

Hashkama	7:30
Daf Yomi	8:00
Shacharis	8:45
Sof Zman K"Sh	9:54
Halacha	5:05
Mincha	5:50
Shkiah	6:18
Maariv	7:00
Shabbos Ends	7:08

Weekday Schedule: **Week of 10/14--10/19** **Shacharis**

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

MINCHA-MAARIV **Sun-Thurs 6:00 PM**

NEXT WEEK

פרשת לך לך

Candle lighting	5:51
Mincha	6:00
Shkiah	6:09

WHAT'S NEW

This week's Kiddush is available for sponsorship

סעודה שלישית is available for sponsorship.

The shiurim from TCN feature Rabbi Mansour at 7:45PM **Thursday nights** followed by Rabbi Frand at 9PM. Motzaie Shabbos Rabbi Reisman's shiur begins 9PM. All are welcome to attend.

The Daf Yomi Shiurim for this coming week are sponsored by Miriam Nussbaum in memory of father in law Eliezer ben Asher

The Sandra Thurm Women's Mishna class meets every Thursday at 8PM with Dr. Deborah Raice Fox.

The next Birthday and Anniversary Kiddush is **Shabbos Parshas Vayera October 27th**. If you are celebrating a birthday or anniversary in October or November **please help support our weekly kiddush**, and celebrate with your Bais Torah family! For only \$18 per name or couple you can sponsor and celebrate! Please contact Rivki by Monday October 22nd

Avos Ubanim, the popular Motzaei Shabbos father-son learning program with pizza and prizes is coming up soon! Sponsorships are available for \$50 per week. Please contact Rivki in the office, or Amy Gottlieb 357-3913 or email; mrsagottlieb@gmail.com. More info to follow!

SAVE THE DATE! The Scholar in Residence Weekend is Shabbos Parshas Toldos, **November 9-10**, featuring **Dr. Herman Presby**. More information is attached. For reservations and sponsorships, please contact Marilyn Sapir at 369-3631 e-mail: marilyn.sapir@gmail.com, or call David Lehmann at 917.902.7883

MAZAL TOV

Miriam Nussbaum on the birth of a great-grandson, born to her grandchildren, Sara and Nechemia Margolis, children of Rabbi Aryeh and Dr. Keri Adler of Atlanta, Georgia.

Alan and Malkie Zamore on the engagement of their son Dov to Maya Tal of South Africa.

Parashas Noach "...He was perfect in his generations"

The source for this Dvar Torah is the work, "Ma'ayan Beis HaSho'eva," on the Parashios HaShavua by HaRav Shimon Schwab, ZT"l, Rav of Kehilas K'hal Adas Yeshurun, in Washington Heights

Rav Schwab begins his work on this Parashah by investigating the meaning of the expression "in his generations;" he is not interested in the trivial aspect of the expression; i.e. why the Torah chose to use the expression in the plural "generations;" after all, a single human being lives in only one generation. I will take it upon myself to suggest an answer to this minor aspect of the puzzle posed by these words, this was the era when human beings lived immensely long lives, having many descendants, or generations.

Rav Schwab attempts to answer the much more important question: "Rashi (based on Bereshis Rabbah, Section 30:9, and Sanhedrin 108a) comments, 'Some of our scholars interpret this expression in a manner favorable to Noach; 'How much more so would he have been considered righteous in a generation of righteous individuals!' And some of our scholars interpret it in a manner not favorable to Noach; 'In his wicked generation, he was considered righteous, however, had he lived in the generation of Avraham, he would not have been considered anything special!'"

Chaza"l say that if he had lived in the generation of Avraham he would not have been considered at all meritorious? Doesn't the Torah say about him that he was a "perfect Tzaddik?" And also, from him the world was created anew! And even if he did not reach the exalted level of Avraham, there certainly was a significant importance in his life...And in truth, here the child asks, "How is it possible that a Tzaddik can live for six hundred years (until the Great Flood) and he didn't have enough influence on any of his fellows to join him under the wings of the Divine Presence, and he also labored for one hundred twenty years on the construction of the Ark, and no one approved of this activity sufficiently as to be moved to join him and his family in the Ark?"

"We see from this that although Noach was a 'perfect Tzaddik,' nevertheless, he did not engage in the attempt to involve non-believers in the Service of the One who was the Owner of the Palace! And if he had engaged in that activity he would undoubtedly have succeeded in bringing to his side a significant number of his contemporaries, and he would have saved them from destruction! And that is what Rashi meant when he said that from the perspective of his generation, he was a Tzaddik. For nobody in his generation was concerned about others. They were concerned about their own material affairs, while Noach, it is true, was also concerned only about his own spiritual affairs. That was the nature of his righteousness! And that is why Chaza"l said that in the generation of Avraham, when the definition of Service of HaShem was to call out in the Name of G-d... to teach all passers-by to come under the wings of HaShem... Noach would not have been considered of great worth, for none of his contemporaries joined him."

"And Noach and his sons and his wife and daughters-in-law came with him into the Ark because of the waters of the Flood" (Bereshis 7:7) And we see in the explanation of Rashi (see Bereshis Rabbah Section 32:6), 'Even Noach was lacking in Faith; he did believe that the Flood would come, but his belief was not complete, and he did not enter the Ark until he was forced to by the water. But this Midrash cries out, 'Explain me!' For how can it be that a man who is called by the Torah a 'perfect Tzaddik' who did everything that the Almighty commanded him in connection with the construction of the Ark for 120 years could be called a person of limited Faith?' It seems that he certainly believed in the truth of the prophecy that HaShem had told him. But there is a relationship between Faith and Reality. It relates to what Chaza"l say in (Sanhedrin 90a) 'Someone who denies the reality of the Resuscitation of the Dead will not share in that Resuscitation.' For from the strength of the Faith that a person has in something, the reality of that fact is strengthened by the Holy One, but if he doesn't believe in that fact, it is not real for him.

Therefore, Noach did not want to deepen his passion and strengthen his belief in the coming of the Flood, because he did not want to contribute to its going from Potential to Reality, and by so doing, he hoped that HaShem would be compassionate towards his fellow human beings, and their world would continue to exist.

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

Refuah Shelaimah

Katie Tannenbaum's grandson-

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SHIURIM

Women's Tehilim, l'zecher nishmas Feigel bas Menachem Mendel, meets Shabbos afternoon 45 minutes before the Pirkei Avos 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

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