

BAIS TORAH BULLETIN

פרשת לך לך
הדלקת נרות 5:51

October 19, 2018

יב' חשוון תשע"ט

ערב שבת פרשת לך לך

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

שבת פרשת לך לך

Hashkama	7:30
Daf Yomi	8:00
Shacharis	8:45
Sof Zman K"S	9:57
Halacha	5:05
Mincha	5:40
Shkiah	6:08
Maariv	6:50
Shabbos Ends	6:58

Weekday Schedule: **Week of 10/21-10/26** **Shacharis**

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

MINCHA-MAARIV **Sun-Thurs 5:50 PM**

NEXT WEEK

פרשת וירא

Candle lighting	5:41
Mincha	5:50
Shkiah	5:59

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 Rav's Halacha shiur on Shabbos afternoon continues to discuss the kashrus of beer.

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

Gili and Ruthi Backenroth on the birth of a -grandson, born to their children Sari and Yoel Weiss

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's son-

רפאל אפרים בן סימא פריעדל

Manny Mayerfeld

מנחם בן קילה

פנחס ליאן בן ריזל

Ruth Malinowitz

רבקה בת פריידא

Andy Yurowitz

אליהו זבי בן חנה

Shira Steinberg

שרה רות בת שרה

Rechy Ortner's cousin

רחל ביילא בת גיטל

Goldress grandson

אילן רפאל בן טובה רבקה

Jennifer Herrmann's mother

שרה צירלא בת ידיל

Ruth Lowenstein's mother

בתייה בת מרים

Marty Ginsberg

משה זאב בן אסתר

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Rebecca Tilson

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SHIURIM

Women's Tehilim, l'zecher nishmas Feigel bas Menachem Mendel, meets **Shabbos** after-noon 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

Parashas Lech Lecha "If not for My Covenant, Neither Day Nor Night,

Nor the Natural Laws of Heaven and Earth would I have Set in Place" (Yirmiyahu 33:25)

A Covenant is a solemn agreement between two individuals, two nations or between G-d and humanity or between G-d and His Nation. Sometimes, there is a document that contains the obligations one to the other; in the case of the Jewish People, HaShem's Holy Nation; that document is the Torah.

In the case of this Dvar Torah, the main source is Aspaklaria, a compendium of Jewish Law and Legend, compiled by Rabbi Shmuel Avraham Adler.

Rabbi Shimshon Rephoel Hirsch: "...A Covenant is an unqualified promise, it will be fulfilled without dependence on external conditions, and sometimes in complete opposition to them. A covenantal promise is an Absolute promise. It is removed from any causal connection, and is stated without condition."

The People of Israel entered into a Covenantal Relationship with HaShem at Sinai to observe the Torah.

The Prophet Yechezkel pictures HaShem remembering with fond memories his courtship with a youthful Israel, "And I remember My Covenant with you, in your youth, and I established between us an everlasting Covenant." (Yechezkel 16:60)

The relationship between the two parties can indeed be everlasting, as we see in Parashas Nitzavim, in Sefer Devarim, "And not with you alone do I establish this Covenant and this Solemn Commitment; rather, with all of the People of Israel, who are not yet here with us today." (Nitzavim 29:13-14)

Marriage is another example of a Covenantal Relationship between a bride and a groom, which can be dissolved, in most cases tragically, by a Get, a Writ of Divorce.

When most of us hear the word Bris, we think of one thing, Circumcision. Many in the secular world consider the practice barbaric, though they have no idea of the lengths that Jews go to protect the health of the infant. The Amora, Rabbi Nosson said, "Once, I journeyed to remote islands, and there came before me a woman who held a baby. She had the following medical history: She had had a first baby, who had undergone circumcision, and died. Then she had had a second baby who had also undergone the procedure and died. The baby she held was her third baby boy, and she wanted me to examine him and give her my recommendations. I looked carefully at the baby. He appeared to look red. I said to her, "Wait until his appearance returns to normal." She waited until the baby's appearance became normal, circumcised him, and he lived. And they called him "Nosson HaBavli" after me. Another time I journeyed to the island of Kapotkia. There came before me another woman with a child, who had the opposite condition. This baby seemed pale. I gave my diagnosis to his mother. I said, "Wait till his complexion becomes normal and then circumcise him." She followed my instructions, had him circumcised, and he lived. And they named him "Nosson HaBavli" after me. These are but two examples of the expert care with which a knowledgeable Mohel, approaches his job.

"We learned in a Tannaitic work called a Beraisa, 'Rebbi' said, How great is Bris Milah, because we have the example of Avraham Avinu, who was very unusual in his devotion to the Commandments of HaShem. But the Torah doesn't call him 'Perfect' until he performed the Commandment of Milah on himself and his son Yishmael, and HaShem said to him, 'Go before Me and be perfect.'"

Talmud Yerushalmi: "The one who is to perform the Bris Milah makes the Berachah 'Who has sanctified us with His Commandment, of Milah. The father of the child pronounces the Berachah 'Who has Sanctified' us with His Commandments and has commanded us to enter him into the Covenant of Avraham Avinu.' Those present say 'Just as we have entered him into the Covenant, so may you be successful in entering him into the world of Torah, Marriage, (and Good Deeds).' The one who makes the blessing, says, 'Blessed are You Who sanctified the beloved child from his mother's womb, and inscribed his flesh with a sign of the Holy Covenant; May the Living G-d, our Portion and our Rock command that our beloved child be saved from trouble, Blessed are You, HaShem, Who establishes the Covenant...' (Berachos 66a)

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

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