"You shall sanctify the fiftieth year and proclaim freedom throughout the land for all its inhabitants..." Vayikra 25:10

The Jubilee Year was a dramatic event and in many ways a social upheaval. Properties that were sold during the previous 49 years were returned to their original owners. Fields were left barren and all slaves were released. “Proclaim liberty throughout the land,” but note, "each of you shall return to his family.” In our times, we have also experienced dramatic events of social upheaval: the decade of the 60’s (and the new social and moral decline of the 21st century). The 60’s was the decade in which there was also a proclamation called “freedom.” Authority was rejected and accepted social norms and morality were cast aside. The rallying cry was “do your own thing.” The “prophets of liberty” were intoxicated with breaking the yoke of discipline and restraint. More than 50 years later we are reaping the bitter fruits of this great emancipation. Our youth are plagued with drugs, their young developing minds poisoned by marijuana, cocaine and heroin. Thuggery and violence abound and sexual morality has disappeared. Society today is so mindless and superficial that transgender bathrooms are the headline news. This is not the Torah’s idea of freedom.
Yes, the Jubilee Year indeed has some social and economic changes, but the theme was “each one of you return to his family.” The family unit was number one. Parents were respected, grandparents were revered, and spouses were faithful to each other; there was moral responsibility. The freedom of the Jubilee Year was not the recklessness that characterized “the freedom” of the 60’s and today; rather it was one that strengthened both the individual and society.

Sefer: Twerski on Chumash

Wishing you an inspiring Shabbos!

Rabbi Moshe Gruenstein

The Young Israel Congregation of Bal Harbour has an extensive Torah Library both in Hebrew and English. Our English Torah lending Library is located in the conference room and will be open Monday-Thursday 9:00AM-5:00PM. The Torah library has been made possible through the generous sponsorship of Andrew and Basya Lowinger in memory of Maurice Lowinger z’”l, מאיר משה בן בן-ציון הלוי ז”ל

All men and women are invited to celebrate our siyum Tanach which will be held on the second day of Shavuos between Mincha and Maariv we will daven an earlier Mincha on Monday- at 7:15PM. The siyum will take place in the social hall and a light meal will be served. If you would like to say a few words about the portion of Tanach you studied please contact our Rabbi at rabbi@yicbh.org or text to 786 227-2495
Classes and Upcoming Events

- Table Talk will be held in the social hall following Kiddush.
- Ladies Tehillim group will meet Monday 10:30AM at the Young Israel.
- **Men’s Beis Midrash Program:** Thursday Night, 6:45PM-7:45PM in the Beis Midrash.

Congregational Family and Shul News

- Kiddush this week is co-sponsored by Aaron & Tammy Attias in honor of their daughter, Yael, who is graduating from Yeshiva High School in Boca Raton and by Steven & Joyce Robinson, commemorating the yahrtzeit of Steven’s father – Levi Ben Dov Ber z”l, and Joyce’s father – Meir Ben Avraham z”l.
- Mazel Tov to Linda and Murray Laulicht on the forthcoming wedding of their grandson Avi Hirt to Estee Siegel.

Youth Program

- Father and Child Learning will resume this week during a special Shalosh Seudos upstairs. There will be Learning, Ice Cream, and Prizes!!!
- Any parents who would like their young sons to lead parts of davening in shul, please speak to Rabbi Fried.
- High School teens are invited to Learning and Frozen Yogurt every Wednesday night. Please contact Rabbi Fried for timing and location details.
- Next Shabbos, all youth can once again turn in tickets they received for their wonderful participation for great prizes. Those that can't make it shouldn't worry as they can turn in their tickets in future weeks as well.

If you are interested in sponsoring Kiddush or Seuda Shlishis, please contact Stuart Harris or Yakira at (305) 866-0203.
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Shabbos/Holiday Schedule: To view the schedule, please go to our website, www.yicbh.org and click on Holidays/Shabbos Info.

Email Addresses: To contact Rabbi, Office, Youth Director or Gabbaim, please email Rabbi@yicbh.org; yakira@yicbh.org; Rabbifried@yicbh.org; gabbai@yicbh.org

Please coordinate with the office prior to setting up a meeting at our shul. The office will coordinate and make sure the building is open at the appropriate time and that there is no conflict in scheduling.

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