



Young Israel of Bal Harbour

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SHMOOZE NEWS

Shabbos, Parshas Acharei Mos, May 7, 2016

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השכן אתם בתוך טמאתם

“(I am G-d) who rests among them even amidst their impurity” Vayikra 16:16

No one has the right to say, “I am too far gone to live a Torah life style. I cannot change, and I have done too many sins to be able to repent.” For that is simply not true. No matter how far a person may have strayed, regardless of how much a person may have sinned, G-d never rejects anyone. Rav Nachman of Breslov wrote about the intensity of depression he once experienced, and said that at times he felt that he was in the very depths of hell, so crushed that he believed no greater pain could exist. His only comfort was in the verse in Psalms (139:8), “If I rise to the heavens, you are there, and if I am in the depths of hell, you are there too.” Since there is no place devoid of G-d one is never alone. Dr. Abraham Twerski had patients with alcohol and drug addictions who wished to be diagnosed as having severe mental illness or brain damage, because that would absolve them of the responsibility of recovery. It is not uncommon for people to consider themselves hopeless in order to avoid the responsibilities that success might bring. There is a bizarre type of comfort in feeling hopeless; this way one does not have to do anything.

Shabbos

Candle Lighting	7:37PM
Mincha/Kabbalas Shabbos	7:00PM
Daf Yomi	8:00AM
Talmud Sotah	8:15AM
Shacharis	9:00AM
Shiur	6:35PM
Mincha	7:25PM
Havdalah	8:40PM

Weekday

Shacharis

Sunday	8:00AM
Mon-Fri	7:00AM

Mincha

Sunday-Thur	7:45PM
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To people who say, "I am Tamei (unclean) and beyond redemption," G-d says, "I am with you even then." Rav Levi Yitzchok of Berdichev said, "You can be for G-d, and you can be against G-d. You just can't be without G-d." In light of the verse cited, we can understand what the Berdicheve Rebbi is saying, because even if man abandons G-d, G-d never abandons man. Since G-d is always with us, let us take advantage of this special relationship.

(Sefer- Living Each Week Rabbi Abraham Twerski M.D.)

Wishing you an inspiring Shabbos!

Rabbi Moshe Gruenstein

Join us for Yom Haatzmaut, Thursday May 12, 2016 at 8:00PM. We will show the movie "ABOVE AND BEYOND" - PRODUCED BY NANCY SPIELBERG. We will have the honor to have one of the pilots, Giddy Lichtman, present to answer your questions. Dessert will be served!



Our Siyum on the Tanach will take place on the second day of Shavuot, when we will have a community wide celebration. Although most of the Neviim and Kesuvim have been taken, the majority of the Chumash has not. Please click below to view what was taken and what is still available.

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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:** Resumes Thursday night May 19, 8:00PM in the Beis Midrash.

Congregational Family and Shul News

- Kiddush this week is co-sponsored by Larry & Zehave Sheftel in memory of Jay Farkas z"l and Joe Weiss z"l; and by Dan & Miriam Wiener for Refuah Sheleimah to Nechama Bas Sarah, Aryeh Leib ben Sarah.
- Mazal Tov to Fred & Judy Farbman on the birth of their grandson Liam Aaron.
- Mazal Tov to Hal & Anita Beretz on the birth of a great-grandson, and to Alan & Deborah Kestenbaum on the birth of a grandson. Mazal tov to Grandmother Edith Zukor and to the parents, Jordan & Riva Kestenbaum.
- Looking for Kiddush sponsors for June 5 and June 25. Please contact Stuart Harris or the Shul's office.
- We regret to inform you on the passing of our esteemed member Michael Karfunkel z"l last week. May the family be comforted among the mourners of Zion and Jerusalem.

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 the 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 their 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 on future weeks as well.

The Young Israel 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

If you are interested in sponsoring Kiddush or Seuda Shlishis, please contact Stuart Harris or Yakira at (305) 866-0203.

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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.

Thank You

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