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Rabbi's Message

Dear Members and Friends,



The message of “take stock of your failures and make amends” can be challenging. Many of us think we are good people, and when we do something that creates a need to repent, this makes it easier to attribute to external causes: we comfort our consciences by saying that “it was an accident,” or “my intentions were good.”

When God holds up the spiritual mirror and says, “take a long look at your soul,” it goes against our sense of pride to gaze deeply at our imperfections. After all, who would rush to experience the shame and guilt of knowing how flawed we really are?

Thankfully, the Torah reminds us that if we can just get past this first hurdle, the pathway to repentance and atonement opens up before us. Once we take ownership of our actions, it becomes easier for others to have faith that we will not repeat the problem in the future.

Each of the types of repentance that we undertake has its own strains. With God, it is easier to say that we were wrong because He created us with our weaknesses, but on the other hand the stakes are higher because He is the Judge of All. With our fellows, we do not usually face one placed so highly above us, but on the other hand we must describe how we wronged them while looking them directly in the eye.

May we all be blessed with courage in these meaningful processes of teshuva! May the recognition that we are all in the same boat give us the confidence to take responsibility for last year and the strength to make next year a better time!

Rabbi Raif Melhado

President's Message

Dear Members and Friends,

As we approach Yom Kippur 5777, may each of us write the next chapter in a way that speaks to the best of our values and traditions and to our highest ideals. We carry in us seeds of inspiration, moments of truth and the ability to create a "light unto the nations."



Our High Holy Days provide not just an opportunity for individual reflection and reconciliation, but for our families and our community to heal old divisions, seek better understandings and come together to build a more meaningful and safer world for our children and grandchildren.

As we look back over and evaluate this past year, let us recognize ourselves in each other as we join in humble prayer and joyful celebration, and look ahead to a new and bright beginning.

Through an abiding commitment to our faith, family and justice, we have overcome extraordinary adversity. With the patience of centuries we have held fast to the hope of a better tomorrow, where no one's voice is silenced to speak and worship, to exist free from oppression, intolerance and prejudice, or to live a full, peaceful and productive life.

To our members of Kahal Joseph and our friends throughout the world, Letizia and I want to extend our warmest wishes—L'Shanah Tovah Tikatevu—May you enjoy a good year, a prosperous and healthy year and may each day be contented, peaceful, and sweet.

Ronald Einy

Yom Kippur & Sukkot Schedule 5777 / 2016



Erev Yom Kippur

Tuesday, October 11th

Selihot 5:30 am

Shaharit & Kaparot 6:25 am

Minha 2:00 pm

Children's Room 5:30 to 9:30 pm

Candlelighting & Fast Begins 6:05 pm

Kol Nidre 6:00 pm

Yom Kippur

Wednesday, October 12th

Shaharit 7:00 am

Children's Room 10:00 am to 2:00 pm

Children's Room 3:30 to 7:00 pm

Minha 3:30 pm

Neila 5:30 pm

Havdala & Fast Ends 7:07 pm

Erev Shabbat

Friday, October 14th

Shaharit 6:25 am

Minha 5:45 pm

Shabbat Candle Lighting 6:01 pm

Arvit / Kabbalat Shabbat 6:30 pm

Yom Shabbat

Saturday, October 15th

Shaharit / Morning Prayer 8:30 am

Keri'at HaTorah 10:15 am

Musaf 11:40 am

Women's Tehillim right after kiddush



Yom Shabbat *(continued)*

Minha 5:15 pm

Se'uda Shelisheet 6:00 pm

Arvit 6:45 pm

Havdala 7:03 pm



Erev Sukkot

Sunday, October 16th

Shaharit 7:30 am

Lel Sukkot I

Sunday, October 16th

Candle Lighting 5:59 pm

Minha 5:30 pm

Arvit 6:00 pm

Sukkot Dinner (with rsvp) 7:00 pm

Sukkot I

Monday, October 17th

Shaharit 8:30 am

Hallel & Hakkafot 9:45 am

Keri'at HaTorah 10:30 am

Musaf 11:40 am

Lel Sukkot II

Monday, October 17th

Minha 5:30 pm

Arvit 6:00 pm

Candle Lighting after 7:01 pm

Sukkot II

Tuesday, October 18th

Shaharit / Morning Prayer 8:30 am

Hallel & Hakkafot 9:45 am

Keri'at HaTorah 10:30 am

Musaf 11:40 am

Motsa'e Sukkot II

Tuesday, October 18th

Minha & Rabbi's class 5:30 pm

Arvit 6:45 pm

Havdala 7:00 pm

Hol Ha'Moed- Weekdays

Wed., October 19th to Fri., October 21st

Shaharit 6:15 am

Hallel & Hakkafof 6:45 am

Erev Shabbat Hol Ha'Moed Sukkot

Friday, October 21st

Minha/Arvit 5:45 pm

Yom Shabbat Hol Ha'Moed Sukkot

Saturday, October 22nd

Shaharit 8:30 am

Minha/Seuda/Arvit 5:15 pm

Havdala 6:55 pm

Hoshana Rabba

Saturday, October 22nd

Nighttime readings 10:00 pm

Sunday, October 23rd

Shaharit 7:00 am



Erev Shemini Atseret

Sunday, October 23rd

Candle Lighting 5:51 pm

Minha 5:45 pm

Arvit 6:15 pm

Yom Shemini Atseret

Monday, October 24th

Shaharit 8:30 am

Keri'at HaTorah 10:15 am

Musaf 11:45 am

Lel Simhat Torah

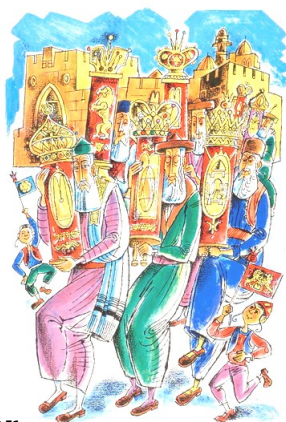
Monday, October 24th

Minha 5:15 pm

Arvit 5:45 pm

Festive Hakafot and Israeli Dinner

Candle lighting after 6:53 pm



Yom Simhat Torah

Tuesday, October 25th

Shaharit 8:30 am

Keri'at HaTorah 10:30 am

Musaf 11:45 am

Motsa'e Simhat Torah

Tuesday, October 25th

Minha & Rabbi's class 5:15 pm

Arvit 6:35 pm

Havdala 6:52 pm

The Selihot Prayers in English Transliteration

Why Transliteration?

Since the Selihot is the main section where we ask God for mercy all together, it is important to help each person participate. If it is challenging to read the Hebrew from the siddur fast enough to sing along, you can read it out of this booklet in an alphabet that you know better.

The translation on the English side of the Yom Kippur prayer book will not only enrich your understanding of the Selihot, but also it will also guide you to your place in this booklet. Each section below is named according to the bold titles in the English side, and in the two cases that lack a title, there are instructions to show you how to find it.

We have tried to make the spelling work so that an English speaker would naturally read it the way it sounds. To reduce confusion:

A single "e" always rhymes with the vowel in the word "red."

A single "o" always rhymes with the vowel in the word "go."

The bold indicates where to place the emphasis in the word

Thirteen Attributes

el me-lekh yo-shev **al** ki-se ra-ha-mim oo-mit-na-heg
ba-ha-si-doot, mo-hel a-vo-not a-mo ma-a-vir ri-shon
ri-shon, mar-be me-hi-la la-ha-ta-im oos-li-ha la-po-she-
im, o-se tse-da-kot **im kol** ba-sar ve-roo-ah **lo** ke-
ra-a-tam la-hem go-mel, **el** ho-re-ta-noo lo-mar mi-
dot she-losh es-re, ze-khor la-noo ha-yom be-rit
she-losh es-re, ke-mo she-ho-da-ta le-a-nav mi-ke-dem
ve-khen ka-toov be-to-ra-takh, va-ye-red a-do-nai be-a-
-nan va-yit-ya-tsev ee-mo sham, va-yi-kra be-shem
a-do-nai ve-sham ne-e-mar.

Thirteen Attributes *(continued)*

va-ya-a-**vor** a-do-**nai** **al** pa-**nav** va-yi-**kra:** a-do-**nai** a-
do-**nai** **el** ra-**hoom** ve-ha-**noon** **e-rekh** a-**pa-yim** ve-**rav**
he-sed ve-e-**met** no-**tser** **he-sed** la-a-la-**fim** no-**se** a-
von va-**fe-sha** ve-ha-ta-**a** ve-na-**ke**.

ve-sa-lah-**ta** la-a-vo-**ne-noo** ool-ha-ta-**te-noo** oon-hal-**ta**-
noo. **ki** ba-**yom** ha-**ze** ye-kha-**per** a-le-**khem** le-ta-**her**
et-**khem** mi-**kol** ha-to-te-**khem** lif-**ney** a-do-**nai** teet-**ha**-
roo.

Merciful One:

Response to every line: be-**dil** va-ya-a-**vor**

To the Lord Our God

(a few lines before "The Angels Above")

la-do-**nai** e-lo-**he-noo** ha-ra-ha-**mim** ve-ha-se-li-**hot**, **ki**
ha-**ta-noo** **lo**

la-de-**nai** e-lo-**he-noo** ha-ra-ha-**mim** ve-ha-se-li-**hot**, **ki**
ma-**rad-noo** **bo**

al na ta-**shev** a-le-noo ha-**tat**, a-**sher** no-**al-noo** va-a-
-**sher** ha-**ta-noo**

ha-**ta-noo** tsoo-**re-noo** se-**lah** la-nu yo-tse-**re-noo**
she-**ma** yis-ra-**el** a-do-**nai** e-lo-**he-noo** a-do-**nai** e-**had**
ba-**rookh** **shem** ke-**vod** mal-khoo-**to** le-o-**lam** va-**ed**
a-do-**nai** **hoo** ha-e-lo-**heem** a-do-**nai** **hoo** ha-e-lo-**heem**

Response 1: a-do-**nai** **me-lekh**

Response 2: a-do-**nai** ma-**lakh**

Response 3: a-do-**nai** yim-**lokh** le-o-**lam** va-**ed**

Answer Us:

Response to every line: a-**ne**-noo

a-**ne**-noo, e-lo-**hey** av-ra-**ham** a-**ne**-noo
a-**ne**-noo, oo-**fa**-had yits-**hak** a-**ne**-noo
a-**ne**-noo, a-**vir** ya-a-**kov** a-**ne**-noo
a-**ne**-noo, ma-**gen** da-**vid** a-**ne**-noo
a-**ne**-noo, ha-o-**ne** be-**et** ra-**tson** a-**ne**-noo
a-**ne**-noo, ha-o-**ne** be-**et** tsa-**ra** a-**ne**-noo
a-**ne**-noo, ha-o-**ne** be-**et** ra-ha-**mim** a-**ne**-noo
a-**ne**-noo, e-lo-**hey** ha-mer-ka-**va** a-**ne**-noo
a-**ne**-noo, e-la-**ha** de-ri-**bi** me-**ir** a-**ne**-noo
a-**ne**-noo, ra-**hoom** ve-ha-**noon** a-**ne**-noo

**Merciful and Gracious God, We Have Sinned Before You,
Have Mercy on Us**

a-**don** ha-se-li-**hot**, bo-**hen** le-va-**vot**
go-**le** a-moo-**kot**, do-**ver** tse-da-**kot**
ha-**ta**-noo le-fa-**ne**-kha ra-**hem** a-**le**-noo

ha-**door** be-nif-la-**ot**, va-**tik** be-ne-ha-**mot**
zo-**kher** be-**rit** a-**vot**, ho-**ker** ke-la-**yot**
ha-**ta**-noo le-fa-**ne**-kha ra-**hem** a-**le**-noo

tov oo-me-**tiv** la-be-ri-**yot**, yo-**de**-a **kol** nis-ta-**rot**
ko-**vesh** a-vo-**not**, lo-**vesh** tse-da-**kot**
ha-**ta**-noo le-fa-**ne**-kha ra-**hem** a-**le**-noo

ma-**le** za-ki-**yot**, no-**ra** te-hi-**lot**
so-**le**-ah a-vo-**not**, o-**ne** be-**et** tsa-**rot**
ha-**ta**-noo le-fa-**ne**-kha ra-**hem** a-**le**-noo

po-**el** ye-shoo-**ot**, tso-**fe** a-ti-**dot**
ko-**re** ha-do-**rot**, ro-**khev** a-ra-**vot**
sho-**me**-a te-fi-**lot**, te-**mim** de-**ot**
ha-**ta**-noo le-fa-**ne**-kha ra-**hem** a-**le**-noo

Merciful God is Your Name:

el ra-hoom she-makh, el ha-noon she-makh
re-e be-o-ni a-makh, ra-hem al o-la-makh

el a-dir she-makh, el ba-rookh she-makh
el ga-dol she-makh, el da-gool she-makh
re-e be-o-ni a-makh, ra-hem al o-la-makh

el ha-door she-makh, el va-tik she-makh
el za-kai she-makh, el ho-nen she-makh
re-e be-o-ni a-makh, ra-hem al o-la-makh

el ta-hor she-makh, el ya-hid she-makh
el ka-bir she-makh, el la-ad she-makh
re-e be-o-ni a-makh, ra-hem al o-la-makh

el me-lekh she-makh, el no-ra she-makh
el so-mekh she-makh, el o-zer she-makh
re-e be-o-ni a-makh, ra-hem al o-la-makh

el po-de she-makh, el tsa-dik she-makh
el ka-dosh she-makh, el ra-ha-man she-makh
re-e be-o-ni a-makh, ra-hem al o-la-makh

el sha-dai she-makh, el sho-mer she-makh
el to-mekh she-makh, el ta-mim she-makh
re-e be-o-ni a-makh, ra-hem al o-la-makh

el ra-hoom shim-kha, el ha-noon shim-kha
el e-rekh a-pa-yim shim-kha, ma-le ra-ha-mim shim-
kha
ba-noo ni-kra shim-kha a-do-nai a-se le-ma-an she-
me-kha.

O Lord be Gracious (Right after "Merciful God is Your Name")

Response to every line: oov-**se**-fer ha-**yim** zokh-**re**-noo ve-
khot-**ve**-noo

At Ne'ila: oov-**se**-fer ha-**yim** zokh-**re**-noo ve-hot-**me**-noo

For the Sake of Your Name:

Response to every line: ve-**hoo**-sa al yis-ra-**el** a-**me**-kha

Act For the Sake of Your Name:

Response to every line: a-**se** le-**ma**-an

Majestic and Glorious

a-**dir** ve-na-**or**, bo-**re** **dok** va-**he**-led
mi el ka-**mo**-kha

go-**le** a-moo-**kot**, do-**ver** tse-da-**kot**
mi el ka-**mo**-kha

ha-**door** bil-voo-**sho**, ve-**en** zoo-la-**to**
mi el ka-**mo**-kha

zo-**kher** ha-be-**rit**, ho-**nen** she-e-**rit**
mi el ka-**mo**-kha

te-**hor** e-**na**-yim, yo-**shev** sha-**ma**-yim
mi el ka-**mo**-kha

ko-**vesh** a-vo-**not**, lo-**vesh** tse-da-**kot**
mi el ka-**mo**-kha

me-lekh me-la-**khim**, no-**ra** ve-nis-**gav**
mi el ka-**mo**-kha

Majestic and Glorious *(continued)*

so-**mekh** no-fe-**lim**, o-**ne** a-shoo-**kim**
mi el ka-**mo**-kha

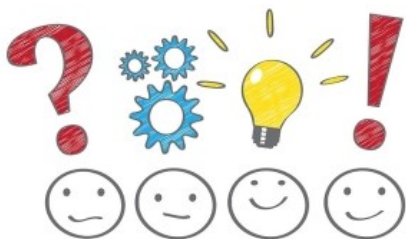
po-**de** oo-ma-**tsil**, tso-**e** be-**rav** **ko**-ah
mi el ka-**mo**-kha

ka-**rov** le-kor-**av**, ra-**hoom** ve-ha-**noon**
mi el ka-**mo**-kha

sho-**khen** she-ha-**kim**, to-**mekh** te-mi-**mim**
mi el ka-**mo**-kha

Adult Education

Many questions move us as Jews. In addition to the classics of Jewish studies, life in the modern world raises many issues that resonate with Jewish themes. Rabbi Melhado enjoys exploring these ideas with other adults and keeping our spiritual and day-to-day lives in tune.



Classes at Kahal

we recently finished a 5-part series on the prayers of the High Holy Days on Wednesday nights in Elul. Those who came will find our Yom Kippur tefillot much more familiar and accessible. We can do more series based on interest, either from congregants' ideas or the Rabbi's.

Living room learning

Rabbi Melhado has hosted discussions with young professionals and families in their homes. If you'd like to arrange a living room learning event at your place, it's as simple as agreeing on a date and inviting your friends.

Questions? Ideas? Contact rabbimelhado@kahaljoseph.org



Hope4Adam

A Bone Marrow Drive for Adam Krief

**Thursday, Oct. 13th
at Kahal Joseph**

Adam Krief, a 31 year old husband and father of three, has contracted a rare cancer that requires a bone marrow transplant for his survival. To date, thousands of people have tested but a match is yet to be found.

Adam is hoping for a miracle. "For me, chemotherapy is simply a means to buy time until I can find a well-matched donor. Should my transplant be successful, and I pray that it will, I can go on to watch my kids grow well into my salt-and-peppered-haired years."

Adam's Sephardic background makes it more likely that he will find a match with someone from our community than in the general population. **Come to Kahal Joseph throughout the day, 10 am to 6 pm, on Thursday, October 13th to see if you are a match.** Checking is a simple process of swabbing saliva. If a match is actually found, donating is itself very non-invasive.

Krief has encouraged thousands to register and become donors, and his fundraiser has also raised over \$100,000 to fund bone marrow swab kits across the globe. "Finding out that you have cancer can be a terribly isolating experience, but the overwhelming support I've felt from complete strangers continues to fuel me on a daily basis," he says. "It has helped me feel less alone in all this."



Tree of Life Milestones Dedications Available

What a great opportunity to commemorate a happy occasion. Dedicate a plaque to mark a significant anniversary, a wedding, a birth, or a bar or bat mitzvah!

Engrave a Milestone for a donation of \$1800.
Contact Sarah at 310.474.0559



Celebrate Shabbat at Kahal

One of the best ways to sustain our relationships with friends and loved ones is to celebrate Shabbat together. Uniting to worship God and reconnect after a full week is just the thing to recharge our batteries! You can personally nourish the joy, peace, and spirit of Shabbat at Kahal by supporting these activities.

◆ You can dedicate a se'uda (meal) in honor of a happy life event or in memory of a cherished family member or friend. Kid-dushim can usually be arranged between \$350-\$700 and Se'u-da Shelisheet for \$180-360.

◆ Aliyot to the Torah may also be requested in honor or memory of someone special. The rabbi will read a personal blessing for them, and your contribution will associate their name with the core work of our community.

Just call the office at 310.474.0559 by the Wednesday before the Shabbat you wish to celebrate and make arrangements with Sarah. *We can't wait to see you in synagogue!*

Women's Tehillim

Shabbat, after Kiddush

Thanks to our member Miriam Shadi, the women's tehillim group has restarted and meets every Shabbat! Join your fellow Kahal Joseph sisters for coffee, community, and reciting the holy Book of Psalms.



All women are welcome to participate, and whoever arrives first is invited to say the Yehi Ratson and begin reading. When more arrive, we can share the text together until we have finished all 150 Psalms. What a great spiritual lift on Shabbat afternoon!



Dinner in the Sukkah with the Rabbi
Sunday, October 16 at 7:00PM
Kahal Joseph Sukkah, upstairs

Come together with your Kahal Joseph family to celebrate the first night of Sukkot in the special Kahal Joseph sukkah! There's a Jewish tradition to welcome guests on Sukkot, making this an ideal time to be with friends new and old.

Space is limited, please RSVP by Friday, October 14 at noon
at **www.kahaljoseph.org/sukkot-dinner**
or by calling 310.474.0559

Tickets are:

- adults 12 and older, \$18
- ages 5 to 12, \$10
- kids under 5 free

Berakhot in the Sukkah

Community members who do not have access to a sukkah at home on the first two days are welcome to use the Kahal Joseph sukkah, located upstairs. Since it is a mitsva to say blessings in a sukkah during Sukkot, we invite you to say Kiddush, Hamotsi and Birkat Hamazon following prayer services.





Celebrate the yearly Torah cycle with Hakkafof, dancing, singing, and a festive Israeli dinner at KJ

Lel Simhat Torah

Monday, October 24th

Minha 5:15 pm / Arvit 5:45 pm
& Festive Hakkafof

Program sponsored by Sunny J. Sassoon & Family

Parties Shouldn't Be This Difficult



Hold Your Event at KJ!

Errol Levi Social Hall & Ballroom

Kahal has a beautiful ballroom for your event, with a kosher catering kitchen, and a modern children's playroom for young visitors.

Please contact Sarah Bouchoucha at 310.474.0559

Kids Programs at KJ

Children are the future of our congregation and Judaism as a whole. That's why I'm so glad that improving and expanding our offerings for families and children will be a continuing priority in 5777. Starting in February with Tu Bishvat, we began our series of family holiday programs, which brought parents, grandparents and children together to celebrate and learn. At Shavuot in June, we had our first children's holiday program, which brought 25 children to Kahal for the first day, and included a special priestly blessing by founding Kahal member Mordy Cohen. We also expanded our offerings for our youngest members, with a new Mommy & Me class, in conjunction with PlayCreations Kids. In mid-summer, we added a Friday morning, Shabbat-themed program that includes Hebrew songs, candles, challah, juice and more.

For the fall, we are thrilled to have hired a new Talmud Torah director, and we expanded the hours of the program to 9:45AM to 12:30PM on Sunday mornings. We also now have a preschool program, for children 4 and up. Classes resume Sunday, October 30, so check out the website at www.kahaljoseph.org/talmud-torah and register your children! We also expanded our offerings for Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur children's programming, and added programs for Sukkot and Simhat Torah mornings. Be on the lookout as we expand our children's offerings on Shabbat over the coming year.

Volunteers, parents and grandparents are integral in allowing these programs to bloom and flourish. If you're interested in helping out, sponsoring an event or simply have an idea for something interesting to try, please be in touch. Together, we can create a love of Judaism that goes from generation to generation.

Jessica C. Melhado
Rebbetzin & Program Coordinator



Kahal Joseph Talmud Torah

Norma & Sam Dabby
Jewish Education Center

ENROLL NOW!

Ages 4 to 13

**Create Celebrate Explore
Inspire Share**

Classes Just Starting for the Year

EXTENDED HOURS 9:45 am to 12:30 pm

**Call 310.474.0559 for registration
or for more information go to
www.kahaljoseph.org/talmud-torah**

Mommy & Me

**Heard great things
about our Mommy &
Me programs?**

**Missed out on the
last ones?**

**We will start regis-
tering for a new
set of courses soon!**



**Registration at
www.kahaljoseph.org/mommy-and-me
For additional information, contact
Jessica@kahaljoseph.org**



Jizkoo Le'Shanim Rabot
Ne'imot Ve'tovot
May you merit many good and
pleasant years of life.