

KOL MEVASSER

Guest Rabbi's Message

Rabbi Joseph Dweck

The loss of home is a profound and deep one. It is a loss for which the heart and soul of a nation can never be fully consoled. When one can no longer go home, the pain of not having a place in this world haunts us — even if only in our national unconscious. Over our long and arduous history we have been visitors to almost every country, speakers of virtually every language and we have tried to blend in among the nations with whom we lived. But the soul of Israel has not given up its hope for returning home.

The ninth of Ab has been central in keeping that hope alive. The Jew can essentially celebrate all of his yearly festivals in earnest and devotion without a home. He can speak of freedom on Passover, celebrate the receiving of his Torah on Shabuot and engage in introspection and forgiveness on the Days of Awe. But there is one day of our year that is about home and it can only be truly observed when we identify with the aspect of our being as Jews that is nationalistic. The part of us that believes — even if only in the faint memories of our souls — that there is a wholeness and splendour to the Nation of Israel that still awaits full renewal and rejuvenation.

To speak of ourselves as 'Jews' is to focus not on nationhood but on our smaller, portable,



ritualistic and ethnic lives that we miraculously maintained throughout our sojourns within the 'desert of the nations' of the world. It is our greater, national name, 'Israel', that has been dormant and has only now resurfaced as we have once again returned to the same land from which we were exiled; fanning the flames of nationhood from the smouldering embers.

The land is once again in our hands and we live as a sovereign nation upon it. Yet, we sleep with one eye open and we know that, while we have wondrously returned to the very same home that we left two-thousand years ago and we find the vessels of our forebears buried in its earth, we still find the need to fortify our doors and know that our neighbours are less than pleased with our return.

Our return says something powerful to them. It says that there is a nation, not just a religion, on this earth who has struggled to survive through the tides of time and has done so with the help of G-d, valiantly. A nation that holds a covenant with Him and that even with the multitudes of calamity that we have suffered we have a past that has lit the world a future that may rival the earlier light in its brilliance.

This is in the collective unconscious of the Jewish people where the name Israel still lies half asleep. Why do we still mourn on the ninth of Ab? Because doing so reminds us that there is much to our identity and presence that still awaits us and that when we rise from our laments at the close of the day we do so with newfound vigour, heads held high and eyes aiming ahead to rebuild and embrace all that we can be.

Parashat Devarim Third Week of Rebuke

Torah: Deut. 1:1–3:22, 105 Pesukim
Hertz 736–749; Stone 938–957
Haftara: Is. 1:1–27
Hertz 750–754; Stone 1195–1196
Tefillot: Morid Hatal

Reminder: Tisha Be'Av

*This week, the Fast of Tisha Be'Av
begins Monday evening, July 31st and
ends on Tuesday, August 1st at nightfall*

KJ Schedule

Erev Shabbat

Friday, July 28th

Shaharit	6:25 am
Candle lighting	7:39 pm
Minha	6:30 pm
Kabbalat Shabbat / Arvit	7:00 pm

Yom Shabbat

Saturday, July 29th

Shaharit / Morning Prayer	8:30 am
Keri'at HaTorah	10:15 am
Musaf	11:40 am
Women's Tehillim	6:00 pm
Minha	7:00 pm
Se'uda Shelisheet	7:45 pm
Arvit	8:25 pm
Havdala	8:41 pm

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Refua Shelema

We Need the Power of Your Prayers!

Kahal Joseph asks our entire community to pray for refua shelema for our beloved young boy, Emilio Molinari

Emilio Yarden ben Rut, הי"ו
son of Anthony & Ruth (Mussry) Molinari

May God grant him a full and complete recovery of body and spirit, bestowing support and fulfillment over a long, rich, and full life.

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Sunday, July 30th

Shaharit 7:30 am

Erev Tisha Be'Av / Monday, July 31st

Shaharit 6:25 am

Fast Begins 7:54 pm

Arvit with Ekha..... 8:00 pm

Tisha Be'Av

Tuesday, August 1st

Shaharit 5:45 am

Minha (w/Tefilin & Birkat Kohanim).. 7:00pm

Fast Ends..... 8:21 pm

Birkat Halevana..... 8:21 pm

Wednesday-Friday, August 2nd-4th

Shaharit 6:25 am

Nes Tahmasp (no Tahanun)

Thursday, August 3rd

Next Shabbat / Friday-Saturday, August 4-5

Shabbat Candle lighting 7:33 pm

Friday Minha 6:30 pm

Shaharit 8:30 am

Saturday Minha 6:45 pm

Havdala 8:35 pm



Mazal tov to proud grandfather Jeannot Acoca, whose Hebrew name of Shelomo is now shared with his new grandson, Adam Shelomo Avitan

The fast of the 9th of Av commemorates the destruction of the Holy Temple in Jerusalem. Incredibly, this occurred on the same calendar date both times that it was destroyed, nearly six centuries apart. The day is one of only two fasts that are observed for a full 25 hours, from sunset on the 9th of Av until night-fall on the 10th.

TISHA BE'AV 2017 /5777

Monday, July 31st

Shaharit, 8th of Av 6:25 am

Fast Begins 7:54 pm

Arvit with Ekha 8:00 pm

Tuesday, August 1st

Shaharit *no Tefilin* 5:45 am

Minha 7:00 pm

w/Tefilin, birkat kohanim

Fast Ends 8:21 pm

In Memoriam

We remember the following yahrzeit anniversaries from July 29 to August 5, 2017. It is customary to light a memorial candle, donate tzedaka & attend Shabbat services.

6 Av / Shabbat, July 29th

Eric Morris *Itzhak Rahamim ben Abdullah Moshe*

7 Av / Sunday, July 30th

Suzanne Azincott

Jacob Ronen Hakak *Yaacov Ronen ben Lev*

Looloo Khazzoom

8 Av / Monday, July 31st

Albert Jacob *Abdullah ben Avraham Hayim Yaacov*

Sally Meyer Judah *Salha bat Aziza*

9 Av / Tuesday, August 1st

Alice Acoca *Alice bat Esther*

Aziza Jacob *Aziza bat Farha*

Amalia Mussry *Amalia bat Rahel*

Mary Nathan *Maryam bat Bolisa*

10 Av / Wednesday, August 2nd

Ramon Zakoo *Yehya Ramon ben Ezra Halevy*

12 Av / Friday, August 4th

Aziza Elias *Aziza bat Rachel*

Hacham Moshe Yaacov Masliah *Hacham Moshe ben Yaacob*

Hayat Sarraf *Hayat ben David*

13 Av / Shabbat, August 5th

Meir ben Simcha

Refua Shelema

Moselle Amron • Sally Amron • Haskell Avrahamy
Sylvia Cohen • Mordechai Cohen • Esther Duke
Sassoon Ezra • Tilda Levy • Florice Newberry
Aliza bat Rahel • Aliza bat Victoria
Arlette bat Rashel • Chaya Chana bat Batya
Yvonne Moalim • Katie bat Farha • Malka bat Rahel
Mehry bat Miriam Hakimipour • Miriam bat Yetta
Miryam bat Malka • Moshe Ezra ben Mazal Tov
Simcha bat Rooha • Emilio Yarden ben Rut

FEEDBACK WANTED!

We're sure you have lots to say!



Parents, grandparents, friends, kids!

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צסם סנספחה סעיר וססולור ססיו לריס עליה וזכי פרס :
ואסר ססזרה אוי יסי סס ס' וזכיר .

Nes (Miracle) of Tahmasp

11 of Av - August 3, 2017

This Thursday, we have a tradition to not say Tahanun because of two miracles in the Baghdadi Jewish community.

First, Baghdad was under cruel Persian rulers who maltreated and robbed the inhabitants. Fortunately, a Baghdadi Jew laid his hands on a secret document, and bravely brought it to the Sultan. Sultan Murad entered Baghdad on the 11th of Av, 1638 and relieved the suffering inhabitants.

The second miracle happened almost a century later when Baghdad was under the Sultan Mahmud. The Persians, led by Shah Tahmasp, besieged the city but were repulsed and a great victory was won on the 16th of Tvet, 1733. Both of these days are called "The Miracle of Tahmasp" and celebrated as special Purims for Baghdadi Jews.

Rabbi Ezekiel Musleah, "The Sojourn of the Jews in Calcutta," pp. 225-226

YOUNG PROFESSIONALS SHABBAT DINNER FRIDAY, August 18 AT 7:30 PM

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Join Rabbi Melhado and his family at home for a relaxed, joyful Shabbat dinner with good people.

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