

KJ Happenings

8 Iyar 5780 | 2 May 2020

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Weekly Schedule

Torah Reading: Ahare Mot - Kedoshim

Candle lighting: Fri 5/1@ 7:19 pm

Havdala: Sat 5/2@ 8:23 pm

Pesah Sheni: Fri 5/8

Tefilla Note: *Remember to include the summer prayers, **Barchenu & Morid Hatal** when saying **Shmone Esre (Amida)**.*

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Rabbi's Message

by Rabbi Natan Halevy
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Shalom. This week's parasha begins with the verse: "And Hashem spoke to Moses, after the death of the two sons of Aaron, when they drew near to the L-rd and they died."

The faults of Aaron's sons include that they entered the Holy of Holies, where they were not supposed to go, and they did not wear the priestly garments necessary for their service to God. Two other faults were that they did not have children, and they did not marry. How could these last two be faults?

Their "sin," an unsustainable action, was to allow their desire to cleave to G-d to mount to such an intensity that they died. Their bodies could no longer contain their souls. Thus the Torah says "when they drew near to the L-rd [with such passion] they died." And this was counted as a sin!

Although a Jewish person must divest himself of material concerns, at the moment when he stands poised and feels the ultimate ecstasy of the soul, he must turn again to the work that the soul must do within our physical existence.

In our holy books, it is written, "Against your will you live." Set against the soul's desire to rise *beyond* the world is its task of creating a dwelling-place for G-d *within* the world. Nadav and Avihu achieved the ecstasy, but not the return. This was their sin and the reason for their death.

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Learning for Shabbat

with Rabbi Halevy

Torah Portion of Ahare Mot - Kedoshim and Hassidut



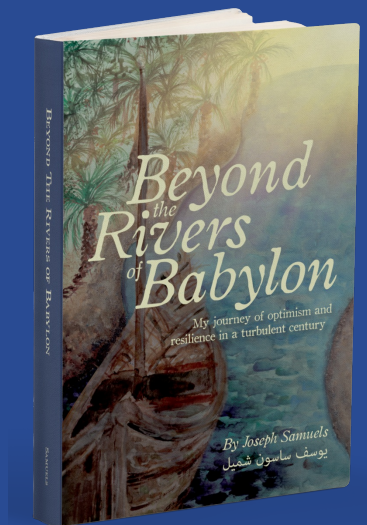
Torah Portion of Ahare Mot



Torah Portion of Kedoshim



Class on Torah and Hassidut



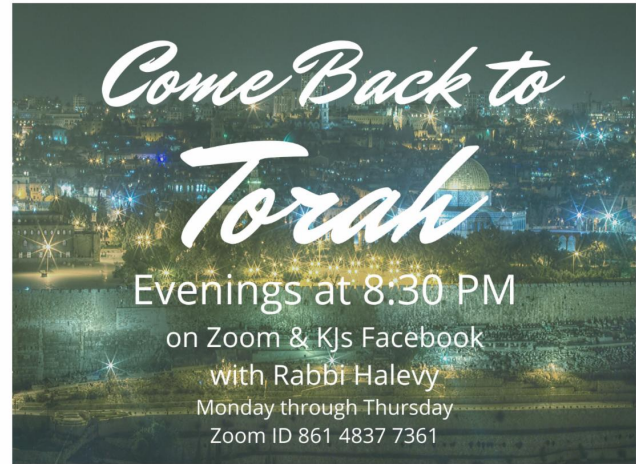
MAZAL TOV to Joe Samuels on Publishing *Beyond the Rivers of Babylon*

Congratulations to our dear member, Joe Samuels, on the publication of his book, ***Beyond the Rivers of Babylon***. A devoted, longtime member of Kahal Joseph, Joe has been composing his life story over a number of years.

A labor of love, the book combines history of the Middle East, personal memoirs of

life in Baghdad, and life wisdom. It is sure to inform and inspire. ***Beyond the Rivers of Babylon*** is available on Amazon Smile, where you may purchase and contribute to KJ at the same time!

Beyond the Rivers of Babylon on Amazon



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Sale of Piano Raffle Tickets will Resume in the Fall

The drawing will take place when daily life has calmed sufficiently. For those who already purchased tickets, thank you for your patience.

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Refuah Shelema

Sassoon Ezra
Sally Amron
Sylvia Cohen
Esther Duke
Mehry bat Miriam Hakimpour
Tilda Levy
Yvonne Moalim
Florice Newberry



In Memoriam

We remember these yahrzeit anniversaries from May 2nd to 9th 2020. We light memorial candles, donate tsedaka, and attend Shabbat services to honor the memory of our loved ones.

8 Iyar / Shabbat, May 2nd

Aliza bat Rahel
 Aliza bat Victoria
 Chaya Chana bat Batya
 Katie bat Farha
 Miriam bat Yetta
 Miryam bat Malka
 Moshe Ezra ben Mazal Tov
 Habiba bat Farha
 Chaya Rachel bat Simcha Ruhama
 Dina bat Rahel
 Rahel bat Ramah Regina
 Karen bat Chana Meir
 Eti Esther bat Fortuna
 Eliahu Shalom ben Avigayil
 Ezra ben Rahel
 Albert Nissan ben Victoria
 Mark Jonah
 Reuven Halevi ben Batsheva
 David ben Tova
 Joseph Sassoon
 Yosef Haim ben Aharon Elisha
 Odette bat Louise

Azie Judah
 Toba Mussry Toba bat Aziza
 Salim Ezra A. Hayim
 Sasson Sawdayi Sasson ben Meir

9 Iyar / Sunday, May 3rd

Menashi Jiji
 Haim Moche Moshi Haim ben Yehoshua
 Sima Sassoon Simcha bat Hannah

10 Iyar / Monday, May 4th

Ramah Ezra Ramah bat Lulu Khatoon
 Abraham Shaye Abraham Amir Saed Zoghee ben
 Ashe Michael

11 Iyar / Tuesday, May 5th

Irving Rosen
 Elias Raymond Solomon Eliyahu Rahamim

12 Iyar / Wednesday, May 6th

Sara Ephraim Sarah bat Sarah
 Molly Moses Mesuda bat Aziza
 Aaron Sassoon Aharon ben Elisha
 Rabbee Shadi

13 Iyar / Thursday, May 7th

Devorah Lubovsky Devorah bat Aharon
 Joseph Robert Saul Yosef Rahamim ben Shaul
 Violet Aziza Sheeri

14 Iyar / Friday, May 8th

Sally Ekaireb Salha Matana bat Matooka
 Tala Eradat Tala bat Javaher
 Amir Ghoulian
 Salman Khadoori Shaby Salman ben Kadoori
 Eliyahu Hai Abraham Shamash Eliyahu ben
 Avraham

15 Iyar / Shabbat, May 9th

Daniel Hakimipour Daniel ben Meir
 Rivka Matana bat Miriam
 Rachel Yitzhaki Rahel bat Chana

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