# KJ Happenings

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#### **Weekly Schedule**

Kids Club, Sunday@10am
Zoom ID 87398506772

Torah Reading: Ekev

Devarim 7:12-11:25

2nd Haftara of Consolation

Isaiah 49:14-51:3

Candle lighting Fri 8/7, 7:30 pm

Havdala Sat 8/8, 8:28 pm

For information about KJ's Norma & Sam Dabby Talmud Torah & registration for next year <u>Click HERE</u> to contact Molly

**Membership & Sponsorship**Call 310.474.0559 or <u>click here to email</u>
Sarah.

#### **Jewish Resources**

- Parasha with Rabbi Sacks
- Chabad Kids Parasha
- Parasha with Bim Bam
- Parasha at Bar Ilan University
- Sephardic Digital Academy

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## Rabbi's Message

by Rabbi Natan Halevy BSD

Shalom, in this week's Haftara we read "But Zion said, the L-rd hath forsaken me, and the L-rd hath forgotten me." The Midrash tells us that this is a



continuation of the theme of the previous Haftara, "Comfort ye, comfort ye My people." In that first message of comfort, G-d instructs the prophets to console Israel. To this, Israel's response is, "The L-rd hath forsaken me." They seek, in other words, not the voice of the prophets but a consolation that comes directly from G-d.

In last week's Parasha we read the first part of Shema, and in this week's Parasha we read the second part of Shema. Among the differences between the first and second paragraphs of the Shema are the following:

- (i) In the first, we are commanded (individually) to "love the L-rd your G-d with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your might." But in the second, we are addressed (collectively) only with the phrase "with all your heart and with all your soul." The "might" is missing.
- (ii) In the first paragraph, we are told first "And you shall teach them diligently to your children, and talk of them..." and then, "And you shall bind them for a sign upon your hand..." But in the second paragraph of the Shema, the order is reversed. First "You shall bind them" and only then, "You shall teach them to your children." The commandments to put on tefillin follow the study of the Torah in the first paragraph of the Shema, but precede it in the second.
- (iii) The first paragraph contains only mitzvot. But the second also mentions the rewards ("That your days may be multiplied...") and the punishments ("The anger of the L-rd be kindled against you...") which attend them. An underlying difference between the two passages is, as Rashi points out, that the first (written throughout in the singular) is addressed to the individual Jew, while the second (which uses the plural) is directed to Israel as a community.

## **Shabbat Learning & Melodies at Kahal**

with Rabbi Natan Halevy and Hazzan Saeed Jalali





**Shabbat Message from Rabbi Halevy** 

Second Haftara of Consolation following Tisha B'Av with Hazzan Jalali

## **KJ Events**

# Talmud Torah News: The Hatikvah Challenge & the Shema Challenge

from Molly Jalali, Director



Jordan M. is one of our Talmud Torah Hatikvah Challenge winners. He, along with other students in Talmud Torah, were challenged last year to memorize the Hatikvah to win a Munchies Candy store gift card. Not only did Jordan memorize the Hatikvah, but he went a step further. He learned the Hatikvah melody on the piano which earned him a second gift card!

Jordan's next Challenge is learning the entire Shema by heart, and he challenged all the Kahal Joseph kids to join him and earn a gift card along with him! Kids, are you up for the Challenge?

If so, email <u>Molly@emetek.com</u> and for the subject, type in **Shema Challenge.** If you accept the challenge, you have until December 1, 2020 to learn the whole Shema by heart!

#### **Mazal Tov**

to our dear Morah Jessica Eyshi



on her engagement to Ariel Beroukhim

Besiman Tov to the Eyshi and Beroukhim families

Kahal Joseph and the Norma and Sam Dabby Talmud Torah wish the happy couple all the best

## KJ Kids Club with Bracha & Rabbi Halevy, 8/2



Join our community on Sunday, August 9th for the next KJ Kids Club with Bracha and Rabbi Halevy!



### Remembering Rabbi Ezekiel Nissim Musleah, z''l, A Captivating Reader of Torah



When it came to chanting Torah, Rabbi Ezekiel Nissim Musleah was in a class by himself. As a child of ten, Musleah lost his mother. Two years later, partly as a way to console himself, Musleah dedicated himself to a meticulous three-year undertaking to learn to chant the entire Torah. There was no turning back.

For nearly 70 years, until his death on July 14 of COVID-19 at the age of 92, Musleah

enthralled congregants at four synagogues on two continents, bringing the expertise of a scholar and the dramatic flair of a storyteller to his reading of Torah.

"His Torah reading was masterful," recalled his daughter, Rahel Musleah. "Every letter, every vowel, every trope was resonant and full of his understanding of the text."

Musleah was born in 1927, in Kolkata, India. His tight-knit extended family traced its lineage to 17th-century Baghdad, a heritage that remained a source of pride throughout his life. His journey to the rabbinate was propelled by the encouragement of a Jewish chaplain in the U.S. Army who was stationed in India.

Click HERE to read more about Rabbi Ezekiel Musleah



### Condolences to the Family of Rabbi Adin Even-Israel Steinsaltz, z"l

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It is with sadness that we inform you of the passing of Rav Adin Even-Israel Steinsaltz, z"l.

Rabbi Steinsaltz was a well-known and appreciated teacher

who made the Talmud accessible to so many through his translation into modern Hebrew. He spread knowledge of Torah, enhancing the understanding of our texts and religion, bringing Jews closer to their God and to their faith.

Rabbi Steinsaltz's translations and commentaries of Tanakh, Mishna, Gemara, Rambam, and Tanya were prolific. His countless other works on Jewish thought, Hassidut, philosophy, parshanut, and more have touched the souls of thousands and have already taken their place among the core texts of modern Jewish thought.

A devoted teacher, he inspired many who will continue sharing his wisdom with the world. May the Almighty comfort his family among the mourners of Tsion. *Min Hashamayim Tenuhamu* 



#### Refuah Shelema

Sassoon Ezra

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Mehry bat Miriam Hakimipour

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Aliza bat Victoria

Chaya Chana bat Batya

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Miryam bat Malka

Moshe Ezra ben Mazal Tov

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

Dina bat Simha / Diana Solomon Rachel Bakhash / Rahel bat Dina

#### In Memoriam

We remember these yahrzeit anniversaries from August 8th to 15th 2020. We light memorial candles, donate tsedaka, and attend Shabbat services to honor the memory of our loved ones.

18 Av / Shabbat, August 8th

Khadoori Sasson Kadoori ben Sasson

19 Av / Sunday, August 9th

Esther Shapiro Ester bat Rivka

20 Av / Monday, August 10th

Houshang Yousefia Houshang Avraham ben Yishmael

21 Av / Tuesday, August 11th

Ketty E. Hanoon Khatoon bat Noosha Farangis Shaye Farangis bat Hanonbibi

22 Av / Wednesday, August 12th

Rahel bat Zivar Evelyn Azar Hannah Postmentier

23 Av / Thursday, August 13th

Gloria Levi Gloria Mazal bat Rahel Rachel Moses Rachel bat Moshe

**24 Av / Friday, August 14th** Isaac Ezra Itzhak ben Abdullah

25 Av / Shabbat, August 15th Matty Yaqub Simha bat Sulha Mitana

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