

# KJ Happenings

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## PARASHAT BALAK

[Bamidbar 22:2 to 25:9](#)

[Haftara Micah 5:6 - 6:8](#)

## EREV SHABBAT

*Friday, June 25th*

Candle Lighting 7:50 pm

Shabbat Arvit – at Home

## SHABBAT

*Saturday, June 26th*

Shaharit at KJ! 9:00 am

Minha, Seuda, Arvit at Home

Havdallah 8:53 pm

## 17th of Tamuz Fast

*Sunday, June 27th*

Fast Begins 4:12 am

Fast Ends 8:48 pm

**Weekdays, Shaharit at KJ!**

Mon-Fri at 6:30 am

## Membership & Sponsorship

To sponsor an event or become a member contact our office. Call 310.474.0559 or [click here to email Sarah](#).



## Rabbi's Message



Rabbi Natan Halevy  
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Shalom U'vracha,

This parasha is so unique in the sense that the Torah gives us an intimate look

at the mindset of extreme evil through Balak and Bilaam. They wield all the negatives in mankind's spectrum of character flaws. They solely desire power, wealth, and lives that satisfy the needs of their own ego. They constantly seek out whatever serves their needs, even if this means going against the will of the Creator, Hashem.

Bilaam's relationship with Hashem strongly illustrates a conflicted dynamic with G-d. Although Bilaam is gifted with prophecy and communicates with G-d, this interaction fails to affect Bilaam on a personal level. He is filled with doubts about G-d.

When approached by 'King' Balak to curse Israel, Bilaam goes along with the plan, even though he recognizes that it is totally against the will of Hashem. These men had witnessed the adventures of Israel since departing Egypt, including the nation's sojourn in the desert for 40 years. Now,

**Shabbat Kiddush**  
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our dear members  
Alexandra & Rafi Itzhaki

Balak and Bilaam feel highly threatened...

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## Shabbat Learning with Rabbi Halevy



## Shabbat Melodies with Hazzan Jalali



**KJ Family Fun & Learning**



[Chabad Kids Parasha](#)



[Aish Coloring Book](#)

[Rabbi Sacks' Family Parasha](#)

# Celebrate YOUR GRADUATE WITH US!



Send info for KJ Happenings by  
Monday, June 28th!

Don't let your graduate go unnoticed! Let's  
celebrate the accomplishments of all our  
graduates from preschool to PhD.

E-mail the name, school, degree, and field of  
study of your graduates  
to [kjcongregation@gmail.com](mailto:kjcongregation@gmail.com)

**KAHAL JOSEPH**

# **KIDS KORNER**



**SHABBAT MORNINGS  
9:30 AM TO 12:00 PM**



## Help in Troubled Times

Dear community,

In these challenging and sometimes difficult times, Rabbi Halevy is available to listen, offer spiritual counseling and helpful resources. [Click here to send him a message.](#)

Wishing you peace, health, and sustenance,

Board of Directors

[Send a Message to Rabbi Halevy](#)

### Condolences to the Family of Morris Amram, z"l

With great sorrow we send our deepest condolences to the family and friends of Morris Amram, z"l, the brother of our long-standing member Michael Amron, and the uncle of our dear member Dr. David Amron.

Morris was born in Kolkata, formerly Calcutta, India in May of 1932. He passed away in Gedera, Israel on June 11th 2021, the 1st of Tamuz. Morris immigrated to Israel in 1949 with two younger sisters and one brother. In his thirties, he married his beloved wife, Sarah, and shared the next 66 years of his life with her. He is survived by his wife Sarah; his sons David, Sunny, and Joel Amram; his grandchildren, great-grandchildren, extended family and friends.

Our thoughts and prayers go out to Morris's loved ones. May they be comforted together with all the mourners of Tsion. *Min hashamayim tenuhamu.*

### Condolences to the Family of Seemah Moses, z"l

With great sorrow we send our deepest condolences to the family and friends of Seemah Mozelle Moses, *Simha Mazal bat Farha*, z"l. Seemah passed away on Sunday, June 20th 2021, the 10th of Tamuz 5781, with her loving husband and family at her side.

Seemah was born in Burma. She later immigrated to London and then Los Angeles, where she met and married Sass, her beloved husband of 52 years. She is survived by her husband Sassoon Moses; her siblings Diane Cohen, Ezra Jacob, Eli Jacob; her nieces, nephews, extended family and friends. Seemah is predeceased by her parents Flora and Jacob Jacob, siblings Maurice Jacob, Robert Jacob, Helen Levi, Eliza Jacob and David Jacob.

Our thoughts and prayers go out to Seemah's loved ones. May they be comforted together with all the mourners of Tsion. *Min hashamayim tenuhamu.*

## Condolences to the Family of Nogah Hakak, z"l

With great sorrow we send our deepest condolences to the family and friends of Nogah Hakak, z"l. Nogah was born in Baghdad, Iraq in 1920, and she passed away on June 19th 2021, the 9th of Tamuz 5781, in Ramat Gan, Israel. She is the mother of our dear, longtime member, Lev Hakak.

She is survived by her daughter Leah Amir; her sons Zvi Hakak, Lev Hakak, and Yigal Hakak; many grandchildren & great-grandchildren, extended family and friends.

Our thoughts and prayers go out to Nogah's loved ones. May they be comforted together with all the mourners of Tsion. *Min hashamayim tenuhamu.*

### Refuah Shelema

Gabriel Naghdi / Gavriel ben Rahel  
Ezra ben Farha  
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Tilda Levy  
Yvonne Moalim  
Florice Newberry  
Aliza bat Rahel  
Aliza bat Victoria  
Chaya Chana bat Batya  
Katie bat Farha  
Miriam bat Yetta  
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  
Ezra ben Rahel  
Albert Nissan ben Victoria  
Mark Jonah  
Reuven Halevi ben Batsheva  
David ben Tova  
Odette bat Louise  
Dina bat Simha / Diana Solomon  
Rachel Bakhsh / Rahel bat Dina  
Fouad Salem / Hayeem ben Naima  
Noach Yaakov ben Tzipporah  
Ori ben Nuphar Chaia

### In Memoriam

*We remember these yahrzeit anniversaries from June 26th to July 3rd 2021. We light memorial candles, donate tzedaka, & attend Shabbat services to honor the memory of our loved ones.*

**17 Tamuz / Sunday, June 27th**  
Abdallah Ezra Abdallah ben Ezra Itzhak

**18 Tamuz / Monday, June 28th**  
Naamat Zelkha Naamat ben Simha

**19 Tamuz / Tuesday, June 29th**  
Rachel Joseph Rachel bat Masuda

**20 Tamuz / Wednesday, June 30th**  
Rachel Pourati Rahel bat Leah Nahid  
Reuben Itzhaki Reuben ben Ezra

**22 Tamuz / Friday, July 2nd**  
Abraham Shamash Abraham ben Eliyahu  
Rabbi Ezekiel Nissim Musleah

**23 Tamuz / Shabbat, July 3rd**  
Shalom Jacob Yaacov Shalom ben Yeshaiah  
Lulu Farha Zekaria

*If you would like your name or that of a family member added to or removed from Kahal Joseph's prayers for healing on the Refua Shelema list, please [click here to email us.](#)*

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