

KJ Happenings

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PARASHAT YITRO

[Shemot 18:1-20:23](#)

[Yeshayahu 1:1-13](#)

EREV SHABBAT

Friday, January 21st

Shabbat Candle Lighting 4:54 pm

Shabbat Arvit – at Home

SHABBAT

Saturday, January 22nd

Shaharit 9:00 am at Kahal Joseph

KJ Kids Korner 9:30 am

Family Shabbat@ 11am

Minha, Seuda, Arvit 4:15 pm

Havdallah 5:59 pm

Sunday, January 23rd

Shaharit 7:00 am

Talmud Torah 9:45 am

Weekdays

Mon - Fri, Jan 24th to 28th

Shaharit 6:30 am

Masks required indoors at KJ

Membership & Sponsorship

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Rabbi's Message



Rabbi Natan Halevy

Shalom U'vracha,

In this week's parasha, the main focus is on Yitro, Moshe Rabeinu's father in law, and on receiving the Torah at Mt. Sinai.

Yitro left the comfort and honor of his home and his land to join Moshe and Israel in the desolate desert. Yitro is referred to as 'the priest of Midian'. He was well versed in all types of idol worship and all spiritual services known to man. His acknowledgement that 'Now I know that Hashem is greater than all other spiritual entities' was a huge admission in those days.

Yitro was a well-known and highly respected individual. The Zohar goes as far as to state that until Yitro arrived, the Torah was not able to be given. His faith and his choice to come closer to Hashem was a great spiritual act which also had an effect in the higher realms.

The event which truly pushed him was the war against Amalek. Amalek had launched an opportunistic attack on the weakest members of Bne Yisrael, those who were either old, very young, or ill and who trailed at the end of the group while Israel sojourned. Why is this?

Amalek showed great audacity in fighting Israel. After the Israelites' exodus from Egypt, all the nations had great fear and stood in awe of the 'nation of Hashem'. Even though Amalek ultimately lost the battle against Israel, the other nations' fear of Hashem began to lessen as a result of Amalek's heinous attack and initial success.



Shabbat Shalom

By journeying to meet Bne Yisrael, Yitro intended to downplay the effects of Amalek's actions. The actions of such an esteemed member of society who chose to acknowledge Hashem, and in effect to convert, made a powerful impression on all the nations.

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AMAZON SMILE for KJ

This Weekend!

KJ Family Shabbat

Saturday, January 22nd 2022
11:00 AM

Shabbat Melodies with Hazzan Saeed Jalali



[Click HERE to listen to the TEN COMMANDMENTS chanted by Hazzan Jalali](#)

KJ Family Resources



[Rabbi Sacks Family Parasha](#)



[Chabad Kids' Parasha](#)


[Yitro Coloring Pages](#)

Come hear Torah stories with your children!



Share Jewish wisdom & prayers

Shabbat



Enjoy fun, treats & games!

KAHAL JOSEPH'S YOUNG FAMILIES

FAMILY SHABBAT

SATURDAY, JANUARY 22@11:00AM

KAHAL JOSEPH'S NORMA + SAM DABBY

TALMUD TORAH

CLASSES RESUME SUN 1/9/2022

ENROLL YOUR CHILD TODAY +

JOIN OUR FABULOUS YEAR OF

FUN, GAMES, + JEWISH LEARNING AT KAHAL

Click [HERE](#) to EMAIL our Director, Mrs. Molly Jalali

Community Notices



Thank You



Thank You

Molly Jalali

KJ Talmud Torah Director
for organizing KJ's fabulous
Tu B'Shevat Hike
in Will Rogers Park



Masks Required at All Times at Kahal Joseph

Dear congregants,
Please help us keep everyone safe and keep Kahal Joseph open.
We ask that you WEAR YOUR MASKS INSIDE THE BUILDING.

Thank you for your efforts to keep our community healthy and strong,
Kahal Joseph's Board of Directors

Refuah Shelema

We wish complete healing of body, mind, and soul to all those who are suffering with illness in our community, including:

Ariella Rivka bat Tziporah
Rylla Elias / Rahel bat Mazal
Ben Elias / Benyamin ben Yohevet
Latif ben Chanina
Alexander ben Yehezkiel and Chana Hai Reiza
Shimon ben Yosef v'Leah / Simon Saul
Shmuel ben Yaacov v'Tova / William McAbian
Tal ben Alona Basha
Meir Iny / Meir ben Sabiha
Ezra ben Farha

Sassoon Ezra
Sylvia Cohen
Mehry bat Miriam Hakimipour
Tilda Levy
Yvonne Moalim
Florice Newberry
Aliza bat Rahel
Aliza bat Victoria
Chaya Chana bat Batya
Miriam bat Yetta
Miryam bat Malka
Chaya Rachel bat Simcha Ruhama
Dina bat Rahel
Karen bat Chana Meir
Eti Esther bat Fortuna
Ezra ben Rahel
Albert Nissan ben Victoria
Reuven Halevi ben Batsheva
David ben Tova
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 January 22 to 29, 2022. We light memorial candles, donate tsedaka, & attend Shabbat services to honor the memory of our loved ones.

20 Shevat / Shabbat, January 22nd

Edward David Ezra *ben Meir Shemtov*
Nissim Moondani *Nissim ben Moondani*
Georgette Solomon

22 Shevat / Monday, January 24th

Raymond Isaac *Rahamim ben Hana v'Eliyahu*

23 Shevat / Tuesday, January 25th

Victoria Elie *Victoria bat Caden*
Maurice Shamash *Menashe Haim ben Shamash*
Carl Zekaria *Keduri ben Sion*

24 Shevat / Wednesday, January 26th

Snira Klein *Snira bat Avraham v'Devora*
Rachel David *Rahel bat Regina*

25 Shevat / Thursday, January 27th

Norma Dabby *Naima bat Farha*
Morton Raymond Einy *Mordecai ben Rahamim*
Abraham Sales *Avraham ben Sassoon*

26 Shevat / Friday, January 28th

Moshe Solomon *Moshe Hai ben David*
Abraham Haim Jacob *Avraham Haim ben Yaacov*

27 Shevat / Shabbat, January 29th

Ezra Avrahamy *Ezra ben Yosef*
Nathan Bass *Nathan ben Yisrael*

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