

YOUNG ISRAEL OF THE MAIN LINE

Weekly Update

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Parshas Vayeilech

פרשת וילך

ה' תשרי תשס"ט—4—3 October

Shabbos Davening Times

Earliest candle lighting: 5:27pm
Candle lighting: 6:22pm
Mincha - Friday: 6:20pm

Sof Zman Krias Shema: 9:56am
Shacharis: 8:45am
Mincha followed by Shabbos Shuva Droscha: 6:15pm
Maariv: 7:23pm

Weekday Davening Times

Slichos/Shacharis (Sunday): 7:25am/8:00am
Slichos/Shacharis (Monday): 6:05am/6:40am
Slichos/Shacharis (Tuesday): 6:15am/6:50am
Slichos/Shacharis (Wednesday): 6:35am/6:50am
Yom Kippur (Wed. & Thurs.): *Yom Tov Sched.*
Shacharis (Fri.): 6:50am
Mincha/Maariv (Sun., Mon., Tues.): 6:20pm

Next Shabbos Times

Candle lighting: 6:11pm
Mincha - Friday: 6:10pm

Calendar of Shiurim

DAY	TIME	TOPIC	SPEAKER	NOTES
Shabbos	7:55am–8:15am	Parsha Chabura	B. Weiss	ROTATES
Shabbos	8:15am	Mishlei Shiur	R. Steinberg	
Shabbos	After Mincha	Medical Halacha	D. Eisenberg	
Mon., Wed.	After Maariv	Mishna Berura	Eli Back	
Sun.–Fri.	15 min. before Shacharis	Sefer Hamasplik L'Ovdei Hashem	R. Steinberg	
Monday	9:00pm	Advanced Gemora: Makkos	R. Steinberg	
Thursday	10:10pm	Nefesh Hachaim	Rav Sholom Kamenetsky	OFF WEEK

*All shiurim are at YIML unless specified.

THIS SHABBOS

Kiddush:

Kiddush is sponsored by the Datskovsky/Ben Avraham Family in honor of Moshe's Bar Mitzvah.

Shabbos Shuva Drasha:

Please join us after Mincha for the Drasha by Rabbi Steinberg entitled: *How Many Chances Do We Get? (The Approach of the Rambam versus that of Other Rishonim in Reconciling Two Sources in the Laws of Teshuva).*

MAZEL TOV!

To Beth & Gershon ben Avraham and the entire Datskovsky/Ben Avraham Family...

... on the occasion of the Bar Mitzvah of Moshe Yaakov this Shabbos.

All submissions, suggestions, and sponsorships should be directed (by Wednesday evening) to the editor of the Weekly Update, פלוגי בן פלוגי (weeklyupdate@yiml.org).

UPCOMING SHIURIM

New Shiur in Choshen Mishpat:

Rabbi Steinberg will be starting a new, weekly, in-depth shiur in Choshen Mishpat. Sources will be e-mailed to participants in advance and the shiur will follow the order of the *Tur-Shulchan Aruch* (beginning with chapter 378—*Hilchos Nizkei Mammon*).

Start date: 29 Tishrei/October 28. To join the e-mail list for sources, please e-mail Rabbi Steinberg: rabbi@yiml.org.

COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

Bnos and Pirchei:

Bnos of Bala Cynwydis preparing for a fun and exciting year ה"ת"ל for girls in *3year-nursery (new!)* through *6th grade!* In order to begin holding weekly Bnos Shabbos groups, we ask that everyone submit their yearly membership dues (\$36 per girl/\$90 family maximum) ASAP! Checks can be made out to *Bnos of Bala Cynwyd* and sent to 201 Meeting House Lane, Merion PA 19066. Please contact Mrs. Dini Steinberg (610-664-3796) or Meira Friedman (610-617-9529) with any questions. We look forward to seeing you!

ONGOING EVENTS

Chevra Mishnayos:

The Chevra Mishnayos is now learning Seder Tohoros. See the shul bulletin board to sign up.

Women's Tehillim Group:

The Tehillim Group meets Mondays at **10:00am** at 345 Bala Ave.

Women's Chovos haLevovos Group:

The Chovos haLevovos Group meets Tuesdays at 9:30am at 8 Concord Circle.

Are you on our e-mail list?

To subscribe to the shul mailing list, send a message to majordomo@chaseplanet.us with the following in the message body (all one line): `subscribe yiml YOUR-EMAIL`

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D'VAR TORAH by Rabbi Berel Wein

Moshe Went, but Never Left

Moshe's last day on earth is at hand. His leadership of Israel is about to end. His physical strength has not failed him but he is unable any longer to come and to go. The Talmud explains that the time of a ruler can in no way infringe not even a hairs breadth on the time of the next ruler. It is no longer the time of Moshe. It is the time of Yehoshua. As in the life of almost all humans, Moshe leaves the world with some regrets and unrealized hopes. He will not lead the people of Israel into the Land of Israel and he himself will not be buried there. His two sons will not succeed him in leadership and special prominence. And, he has seen into the dark tunnel of future Jewish history and is therefore acutely aware of the tragedies, difficulties, struggles and challenges that face his beloved people and their descendants throughout the coming ages.

Yet he is comforted by the fact that his beloved Yehoshua will take his place and bring Israel into its homeland and guide them in settling it. He is also comforted by the promise of God that Israel will survive all of the vicissitudes of its history and eventually be redeemed and strengthened physically and spiritually. The Midrash has Moshe attended to in his final hours by God Himself, so to speak. Thus death itself has no terrors for him, only the sadness of leaving a world where so much can be accomplished for a world that is eternal but poses no further challenge.

The title word of the parsha "vayelech"—"Moshe went" is itself interesting and yet puzzlesome. Where is Moshe going? If it is to speak to the Jewish people, he always did so from the confines of the camp of holiness surrounding the mishkan/tabernacle. The Midrash provides us insight into the word vayelech he went. It states that Moshe now went from tribe to tribe, from tent to tent of the families of Israel to take leave of them. He showed them that his love for them knew no bounds and that even though he ruled over them with a strong hand and an uncompromising demeanor, everything that he did in his forty-year stewardship of Israel was done with Divine blessing and enormous care and love. To confirm all of this in the minds of the Jews, he now visited them all he went to them to say goodbye and as we will read in a few short weeks, to bless them and strengthen them.

Even on the last day of his life, the welfare of the Jewish people is Moshe's main concern and preoccupation. Is there any wonder therefore, that there arose none like Moshe in all of human history? Moshe is the paradigm of leadership, of selfless concern and wise guidance for an often contentious and fractious society. Moshe went in these weeks parsha but his influence and teachings remain with Israel and in fact all of humanity on a continuing and eternal basis.

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