



Young Israel of Greater Miami
JULY 20, 2019 17 TAMMUZ 5779
PARSHAS BALAK

FRIDAY	
Early Mincha	6:32 PM
Early Candle Lighting	7:02 PM
Candle Lighting	7:55 PM
Mincha	7:58PM
SHABBOS	
Early Shachris	7:30 AM
Shachris	9:00 AM
Shiur	7:05 PM
Mincha	7:45 PM
Maariv	8:55 PM

WEEKDAYS

Gemara
 Rabbi Lehrfield
 7:25 AM to 7:55 AM

Halacha
 Shimshon Mindick
 12:30 PM to 2:00 PM

Parshas Hashavua
 Rabbi Lehrfield
 between Mincha & Ma'ariv

MON / TUES / WED

Halacha
 Rabbi Yachnes
 45 minutes before Mincha

TUESDAY

Tanach
 Rabbi Lehrfield
 7:30 PM—8:30 PM

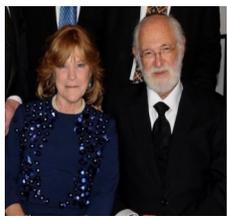
Hilchos Shabbos
 Rabbi Eisenman 7:00 PM

THURSDAY

Chumash
 Rabbi Lehrfield
 7:30 PM-8:30 PM

HATZALAH
305-919-4900

D'VAR TORAH — By Rabbi Dovid Lehrfield



Hashem gave the world a great prophet, Bilaam. Yet he was immoral and cruel. This is to teach us—as great as a prophet is— he has no moralities if he does not have the traditions of our people.

NEWS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

1. Shiur 7:05, Mincha at 7:45. Maariv and Havdalah at 8:55
2. This week's Shiur will be given by Rabbi Yaakov Lehrfield. Class will start at 7:05 instead of 7:15. The topic is Pinchas "The Vengeful High Priest".
3. Please enjoy hot coffee and tea in the lobby.
4. Fast of 17th of Tammuz Schedule:
 Fast starts 5:29 am, Mincha 2:00 and 7:45, Maariv 8:22 pm, Fast ends 8:51 pm
5. Shabbos Mevorchim Kiddush for the month of Av is July 27th. Deadline to sponsor is Thursday July 25th at 10:00 am. The sponsor list and the Yarn will be printed at that 10:00 am on Thursday.
6. General membership meeting Sunday July 28th at 9:45, topics to include current Shul events, programming for next year and board members.
7. There is now a Purell dispenser in the inner lobby to the right of the entrance to the women's section.
8. The Shul office hours for July 26th, July 29th and July 30th will be 8:30 to 12:00 noon.
9. Youth page information has been moved to page 3.
10. Summer office hours. The Shul office will be open 7:00 am -12 noon Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday. The office will be closed on Wednesdays.
11. Please pay your Eruv bill
12. Statements for dues for 2019-2020 .have been sent out. Please pay your past dues and or any outstanding balance from last year that you have on your account. Please remember that to reserve your High Holiday seats you need to be current with past balances and have paid at least 1/2 of your current dues.
13. We have reserved the first parking space in front of our building for Rabbi Lehrfield. Please do not park there.

PARSHA SUMMARY: BALAK SOURCE: CHABAD.ORG

Balak, the king of Moab, summons the prophet Balaam to curse the people of Israel. On the way, Balaam is berated by his donkey, who sees, before Balaam does, the angel that G-d sends to block their way. Three times, from three different vantage points, Balaam attempts to pronounce his curses; each time, blessings issue forth instead. Balaam also prophesies on the end of the days and the coming of Moshiach. The people fall prey to the charms of the daughters of Moab, and are enticed to worship the idol Peor. When a high-ranking Israelite official publicly takes a Midianite princess into a tent, Pinchas kills them both, stopping the plague raging among the people.

SHABBOS "INSPIRATION"

There are many positive and beneficial things that we know we should do, but we may feel that continuing to do them will be too difficult. "How can I keep being this way all the time?" we ask ourselves.

Telling ourselves, "Just once," can help us start. After we do something positive once, we begin to build up momentum; it becomes easier than we had assumed to keep doing the positive action more frequently.

Doing a worthwhile action "just once" doesn't seem so daunting. The next time it comes up, say you'll do it "just once" again. Even if it truly is difficult, since we only have to motivate ourselves "just once," right now, we can build up our level of inspiration and motivation. Think of something that you would want to do but also consider difficult to repeat. At the next opportunity, start by taking action "just once." If you're having difficulty thinking of something to do "just once," keep thinking until you find an area to apply the power of "Just once."

HAFTORAH

MICAH 5:6- 6:8

SOURCE: CHABAD.ORG

This week's *Haftorah* makes mention of the incident of Balak the king of Moab hiring the sorcerer Balaam to curse the Jewish people — the main topic of this week's Torah reading.

The prophet Micah prophesies about what will occur after the war of Gog and Magog, the war which precedes the coming of the Messiah and the Final Redemption.

"And the remnant of Jacob shall be in the midst of many peoples — like dew sent by G-d, like torrents of rain upon vegetation that does not hope for any man and does not wait for the sons of men." The prophet describes how G-d will remove the idols and sorcerers and how He will destroy the Jews' enemies.

The prophet Micah then goes on to rebuke the Jewish people for not observing G-d's commandments, calling as witness the "mountains and hills" — a reference to the Patriarchs and Matriarchs — and reminding them of the great things G-d had done for them. He took them out of Egypt and replaced the curses that Balaam son of Beor wanted to utter against them with blessings.

The Jewish people respond by saying that they do not know how to serve G-d and ask for guidance. The prophet reminds them of the Torah, and that all they need to do is contained within it: "He has told you, O man, what is good, and what G-d demands of you: but to do justice, love kindness, and walk discreetly with your G-d."

REFUAH SHLEIMA

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Aharon Dovid ben Chaya ◆ Yochanan Baruch HaKohen ben Frumma Etta ◆ Etta Mindel bas Chana ◆ Tzofia bas Shoshana ◆ Daniel Yaakov ben Masha Tzvia ◆ Leora Rachel bas Chaya Raizelle ◆ Boruch ben Sorah Gittel ◆ Etel bas Chana Perel ◆ Dina bas Leah ◆ Leah bas Sora ◆ Devora bas Sora ◆ Sara Aria bas Masha Raizel ◆ Tuvia Chaim ben Shulamit ◆ | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Chaim Daniel ben Meri ◆ Malka Rivka bas Devorah ◆ Leah bas Annette ◆ Michael Ha Levi ben Esther ◆ Nechama Aidel Malka bas Sara Leah ◆ Yehuda Meir ben Tzipora ◆ Netanel Ilan ben Sheyna Tzipora ◆ Yisroel Yehuda ben Rachel ◆ Mindal bas Chana ◆ Yitzchak ben Zisel ◆ Shmuel ben Sarah ◆ Ezra Chaim ben Rivka ◆ Chana bas Yaakov ◆ Esther bas Chana Frumma |
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Sponsors are needed for the Shabbos morning Kiddush following the Main Minyan.

Cost for the "Lite" Kiddush is \$100.

Sponsors are also needed weekly for Seudah Shlishis.

Cost is \$120.

ATTENTION MEMBERS & FRIENDS -

IF YOU NEED HOSPITALITY (MEALS) FOR SHABBAT, OR IF YOU CAN INVITE SOMEONE
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PLEASE CONTACT

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MACHZOR UPDATE

We still have Rosh Hashanah & Yom Kippur
Machzorim available to be dedicated.

You can dedicate a Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur Machzor in honor or in
memory of anyone for only
\$72.00 a set or \$36.00 for one.

Yizkor Book

We are working on our Yizkor Book, which we will have available for the
congregation to use during the coming year when we will be saying Yizkor. The
book contains the order of the Yizkor prayers, as well as the names of departed
loved ones who we want to remember and honor. Like last year the listings are
organized by family. The donation to list each departed loved one is \$10.00 If
you have listed your loved one (s) previously, we will renew it/them
automatically unless we hear from you. If there is a correction to the names
listed last year, please let us know as soon as possible.

Statements have been sent out with 2019-2020 membership dues. Please contact the
office to pay your dues and any outstanding balance from previous years. In order to
reserve your seat for the High Holidays, your outstanding balance must be paid and
at least 1/2 of your dues for this year.

Whether you have a life seat or not, please call or stop by the office to reserve your
seats for the High Holidays. Your seats are not guaranteed from year to year.



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THERE WILL BE GROUPS THIS SHABBOS WITH DD AND MALYA SALZMAN
AS LEADERS! Maya Rotenberg is our Assitant Leader in training! Amy will
intermittently be supervising.

Shabbos Groups for younger boys and girls and older girls at 9:00 am in the
1st classroom upstairs.

If you have ideas for anything on our youth page including Parsha questions, word scramble,
Parsha pictures, please submit them to:

Amy Salzman YIGM Youth Director 305-305-7166 happychallah@yahoo.com

Mincha for the week

Sunday 2:00 and 7:45, Monday 8:02, Tuesday 8:01,
Wednesday 8:01 Thursday 8:00

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COUNTING- by -Shelley Feldheim

Once upon a summertime, everything I disliked...ended. On the last day of the school term, alarm clocks were no longer set, schedules were abolished, homework ceased, and due dates were swept into the trash bin with the last of the pencil sharpener shavings. The next morning the sun glowed, and summer unrolled like a carpet from my front door, crossing the street, stretching past the ball fields and jumped over a fence to race over rippling rivers before shooting straight to Nirvana and striking a blow against time. It was an endless summer.

During those timeless weeks, I spent many afternoons at the "Willows" swim club where I lay on a towel in my bathing trunks munching on a basket of French fries [35 cents!] with an RCA transistor radio glued to my ear listening to Phil Rizzuto broadcast Yankee games. I knew the stats of every player and could count to ten naming the Yankees: #1 Bobby Murcer, #2 Matty Alou, #3 Babe Ruth, #4 Lou Gehrig, #5 Joe DiMaggio, and so on through Roy White, Mantle, Berra, Maris and #10 Danny Cater.

I had all the time in the world and if you don't have a third out the game can go on forever, so baseball is ideally suited for the summer-the season beyond time and schedules.

But when I peer into the rearview mirror and recall those days, I see that summer was often dull. If we weren't going to the Willows or listening to baseball, what did we do? My endless summer was often endless hours of boredom sitting in front of the TV, or watching the heat waves rise from Jersey's arid streets while waiting for friends to come home so we could play.

Fast forward to today - summer's romantic timelessness has faded, and it's no longer endless. Yet its significance burns brighter and "ends" with greater resonance now that I count the days and not the balls and strikes.

Maybe it's all about being mindful of the forty days from Shavous to the three weeks, and counting the nine days to Tisha B' Av. When you are counting balls and strikes, you're on the sidelines-in the bleachers, but during the three weeks you're on the playing field [on Tisha B' Av you're on the floor-literally], and you begin to understand your personal proximity to the Temple and to history. As my Rebbe in Yeshiva used to say, "you may be a nothing, but at least you know you're a nothing!"

On these significant and somewhat propitious days, I appreciate the midsummer opportunity to pause, reflect, and redirect. The Rabbis teach: Each person must believe the entire world was created for his or her sake. This summer, I'm being handed the bat, and it's up to me. I'm on the playing field and, "this is my game."

When my kids were young, and I told them they couldn't go swimming or listen to music during the three weeks, they complained about this injustice. You know how I would respond? "You think you have it bad, imagine how the kids in the desert felt when they were told that Hashem was delaying their entry into the Land for forty years, "Oh man, there goes our summer vacation!"

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