



# Congregation Zera Abraham

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This week's Kiddush is sponsored by Mrs. Goldie Kasztl  
 I'n her husband, Mr. Erwin Kasztl, Avrohom ben Chaim a"h.

\* Please remember to repeat Krias Shema after tzeis. \*

### Friday Night Minyan

This Week: Parshas Shemos, January 6<sup>th</sup>

Candlelighting: 4:32

Mincha: 4:37

Next Week: Parshas Va'aira, January 13<sup>th</sup>

Candlelighting: 4:39

Mincha: 4:44

### THIS WEEK: Motzoai Shabbos Melavas with a Shiur

The next Melave Malka for men with a shiur will take place Motzoai Shabbos, Parshas Shemos, January 6<sup>th</sup>, with a Shiur by Rabbi Avrohom Aver Jacobs, Rav Kehillas Bais Yisroel on the subject of Bris Milah.

The next Melave Malka with a Shiur for women will take place Motzoai Shabbos Parshas Va'aira, January 13<sup>th</sup>, with a shiur on the Halachos of Taking Challah – Practical and the Unusual, given by the Rov.

### Leil Shabbos Parsha Pilpul

The Leil Shabbos Parsha Pilpul will be held next week, Parshas Va'aira, and given by R' Yisrael Yanez at his home, 1631 Yates Street at 8:00 pm. All men and bochorim are invited.

### THIS WEEK: Shovavim Shiurim for Men and for Women

This year's Shovavim Shiurim for married men and for married women by the Rov will take place Wednesday evenings at 8:45 pm during the weeks of Parshas Shemos through Parshas Mishpatim. For women: January 10<sup>th</sup> and 24<sup>th</sup>. For men: January 17<sup>th</sup> and 31<sup>st</sup>. **The first shiur for women will take place this week on January 10<sup>th</sup> and will cover halachos of maintaining proper interaction with the opposite gender at the workplace.**

### Shloshim for HaRav Shteiman zatz"l

In light of the upcoming Shloshim (Thursday, 24 Teves), there will be a broadcast of Hespedit given at the Chicago Kinnus, delivered by HaRav Chaim Dov Keller shlit"a, and HaRav Yeruchem Olshin shlit"a. The broadcast will take place in the Shul on Thursday January 11<sup>th</sup> at 8:45 pm.

In addition, the Rov will deliver a special schmooze l'ilui nishmas HaRav Shteiman zatz"l at Shalosh Seudos on Shabbos Parshas Va'aira.

### Classes for Women

Inviting all women to deepen their understanding of stories we've always known in 2 classes! Tribal Affair: Yosef, Yehuda and the Other Shevatim with Rabbi Fleisher from 10am-11am in the Hoffman home, 1582 Winona Ct. **Jan 21:** Tow Leaders, Two Visions: The Unique approaches of Yosef and Yehuda and their Conclusion

### Attention Women and Girls

The next Shabbos M'Vorchim Shiur will take place, I"H, January 13, 2018, Shabbos Parshas Va'era, 2:45pm at the home of Mrs. Tova Seligman, 1621 Tennyson. The speaker will be Ms Dasi Indich. Please join us for an inspiring afternoon.

### The MB Glassman Learn N' Swim

Join this new exciting program for boys in 4<sup>th</sup> – 8<sup>th</sup> grade! This program will take place on Thursday evenings at the JCC. Boys will learn Mishnayos, enjoy delicious Cholent, and finish off with a swim! Starting this coming week January 4<sup>th</sup>, from 6:50 – 8:30. For more information, R' Sher, [info@merkaztorah.org](mailto:info@merkaztorah.org), (303) 335-7331 See flyer for exact dates and details.

### Any Question, on Any Subject!

You can watch halacha come to life from the source. Ask any question and at the Shul Shalosh Seudos watch how a psak is formed from the gemora to modern day shalios. Submit your questions to [RabbiSteinberg@zeraabraham.com](mailto:RabbiSteinberg@zeraabraham.com) and come be part of the sugya as your question is answered and discussed by all.

### MB Glassman Youth Shalosh Seudos

The M.B. Glassman Youth Shalosh Seudos program begins this week. Much thanks is expressed to all those who volunteered last year to supervise and have made this program possible. Please bear in mind that each father who has a boy who stays for Shalosh Seudos is asked to take a turn supervising. Much thanks is expressed to the M.B. Glassman Foundation and its officers for the recent generous

renewal of sponsorship of this wonderful program. This week Rabbi Avi Wilen will supervise.

### Would you like to improve your Hebrew skills?

The Jewish Experience invites the community to join the next 10-class series of Hebrew Nights, on Monday nights from 7:00-8:15 PM at The Jewish Experience Center. Choose from Hebrew Reading, Reading Comprehension, or Conversational Hebrew/Ulpán. Groups will also be divided by skill level to give everyone the maximum benefit. New series begins January 8, 2018. Sign up at [TheJE.com/Hebrew](http://TheJE.com/Hebrew) or call 303-316-6412 for more information.

### Michtav M'Eliyahu Chabura

Now, each Sunday before Mincha, there is a chabura learning the Sefer Michtav M'Eliyahu by Harav Eliyahu Dessler zt"l. Each week a specific topic of the Sefer is learned b'Chavrusa for 25 minutes, and followed by a 5-minute summary by the Rov. For information

and chavrusos, please speak to the Rosh Chabura, R' Yisroel Yanez at 720-275-1014. Join this excellent and powerful chabura, an opportunity to glean from the timeless and provoking words of Rav Dessler and attain real development and growth in avodas Hashem.

**SAVE THE DATE!**  
**Shabbos of Chizuk with**  
**Rav Avrohom Weinrib**  
 Rov of Kahal Zichron Eliezer, Cincinnati.  
**Shabbos Parshas Beshalach, 1/27/18**  
 Stay tuned for a full description of programming and shiurim.

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FOR MORE INFORMATION AND/OR TO SHARE YOUR IDEAS PLEASE CONTACT MR. BORUCH BAXMAN OR MRS. RIVKA BAXMAN.

## MB Glassman Foundation Avos U'Banim Swimming

Join us This Motzei Shabbos, January 6<sup>th</sup>! Swimming will take place at Cherry Creek High School, 9300 E. Union Ave, from 7:00 – 8:15. See flyer for more details.

## Annual Ladies Melave Malka at Aish

January 6th, 7:45-10:00pm. Bais Yaakov choir performing... Dairy dinner including Sushi served... Mrs. Rochel Goldbaum will speak...variety of goods will be sold including jewelry, makeup, clothing, skin care products, baked goods, hats/wraps/snoods and other accessories! Ladies \$16, Students \$5. Info: Chaya Meyer [303.960.8189](tel:303.960.8189)

## Hillel Academy Dinner

Hillel Academy's 66<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Dinner will take place on Tuesday, January 23, 2018, at BMH/BJ. Reception at 6 pm, dinner at 7pm. This year's honorees are Rabbi Moshe and Mrs. Yehudis Heyman, receiving the Keser Shem Tov award. For reservations and/or to place an ad, please visit [www.haad.org](http://www.haad.org) or call 303-333-1511.

## Hillel Academy Dinner

### Shabbos Davening and Learning

Likras Shabbos .....	Rabbi Berkowitz .....	4:07
Candlelighting .....		4:32
Mincha/Kabalas Shabbos .....		4:37
Ateres .....	Seidenfeld home .....	4:35
Mishna Berura .....	Rav Steinberg .....	8:00
Shacharis .....		8:30
Sof Zman Krias Shema .....		9:06, 9:42
Bnos .....		2:00
Pirchei .....		3:15
Sefer HaChinuch .....	R' Hillel Erlanger .....	2:05-2:25
Daf Yomi .....	R' Yoil Unger .....	2:25-3:25
Shiur- Maseches Pesachim .....	Rabbi Rosskamm .....	3:25-4:25
Shiur- Sugya Kiddush baMakom Seuda .....	Rav Steinberg .....	3:25-4:25
Mincha .....		4:25
Maariv .....		5:41
Tefilla Shiur .....	Rabbi Hoffman .....	after maariv
Avos U'Bonim .....	swimming at CCHS ..	7:00

### Weekday Davening

Shacharis Sunday .....	6:30
..... Monday and Thursday .....	6:10
..... Tues. Wed. and Friday .....	6:20
Mincha .... Sunday-Thursday .....	4:40 followed by shiur
1 <sup>st</sup> Maariv Sunday-Thursday .....	after Mincha
2 <sup>nd</sup> Maariv Sunday-Thursday .....	8:30
Daf Yomi .....	R' Yoil Unger .....M-F .....5:20 am
..... R' Yanez & R' Joseph .....	M-F .....7:10 am
..... R' Yoil Unger .....	Sun .....7:20 am
Kinyan Masechta Kesubos...Rav Steinberg . M-Th .....	7:30-8:30 pm
Kinyan Masechta Review.....Rav Steinberg . Sun .....	9:00 am
Chabura Michtav M'Elizahu .R' Y. Yanez .....	Sun .....
Night Seder .....	Sun-Thurs.....7:30 pm
Partners in Torah.....	Tues .....7:30 pm

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## Parsha Delight and ספר מטעמי זרע אברהם

See the question below on the Parsha. Offer an acceptable answer to the Rov at the kiddush and receive a chocolate! Each week the answers for the previous week's Parsha Delight question will be printed in the newsletter. At the end of the year we will publish a compilation of the questions and answers. This program is for ages 5-105. Sponsored by East Side Kosher Deli.

## Newsletter E-mail List and Contact Information

Please e-mail all contributions, mazel tovs, sponsorships, etc. to [zera.abraham@gmail.com](mailto:zera.abraham@gmail.com) no later than Wednesday evening. E-mail ensures that nothing will be left out or misspelled. All entries will run for one week unless otherwise specified. The Shul reserves the right to omit or amend any submissions. To be added to the e-mail distribution list, please send an e-mail requesting to be included.

### פרשת שמות - מטעמי פרשה - Parsha Delight Question

Hashem told Moshe Rabbeinu at the סנה, the burning bush, של נעליך מעל רגליך, remove your shoes from your feet. Why was it necessary to add "from your feet", it is not obvious that when one removes his shoes it would be from off his feet?

### Last Week's Question:

ויהי ימי יעקב שבע שנים וארבעים ומאת שנה. And the days of Yaakov were seven years, and forty, and one hundred years (47:28). Regarding Sara Imeinu, it states (23:1), One מאה שנה ועשרים שנה ושבע שנים, One hundred years, and twenty years, and seven years. Why is the term "years" stated three times in the context of Sara Imeinu, and with regard to Yaakov Avinu it is stated only twice?

### Answers Received:

- Yaakov Avinu's years were diminished by 30 because of the way he spoke to Pharaoh. To indicate this, the term שנה is missing from the "tens"; "forty", to indicate it was diminished by "tens", that is - thirty years. (Had his life been diminished by less than ten years, than the term שנה would have been missing from the "ones" - or שבע - seven.)
- In the context of Sarah Imeinu, the term שנה attached to עשרים is to indicate that she was בתי ליופי, that she was of great beauty. Obviously, this is irrelevant to Yaakov Avinu. Hence, the missing term שנה.
- Yaakov Avinu indeed has a challenging life, as the Gemorah says that the Possuk שבע יפול צדיק וקם, seven calamities befall the Tzaddik and he arises, refers to Yaakov Avinu. To indicate that, the term שנה is lacking.