



# Congregation Zera Abraham

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*This week's Eruv is sponsored by Rabbi and Mrs. Dovid and Esther Sauer  
l'n Shimon Yosef ben Daniel Avrohom a"h*

*This week's Kiddush is sponsored by Rav Yechezkel Feldberger in honor of Chosson Beraishis and the recent births of his grandchildren and in honor of Chosson Torah.*

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

## Friday Night Minyan

This Week: Parshas Beraishis, October 6<sup>th</sup>

Candlelighting (18 minutes): **6:18**

**Mincha: 6:23**

**Likras Shabbos: 5:53**

**Shir HaShirim 6:15**

Next Week: Parshas Noach, October 13<sup>th</sup>

Candlelighting (18 minutes): **6:07**

**Mincha: 6:12**

## Mazel Tov and Shalom Zachor

To Rabbi and Mrs. Yaakov Chaim Orloff upon the birth of their son. The Sholom Zachor will take place this Leil Shabbos at their home, 4801 W. 16<sup>th</sup> Avenue (corner Wolff). May they have much yiddishe nachas!

## Attention Bochorim! Erev Shabbos Likras Shabbos Learning Program

Starting this week, Parshas Berashis, at 5:53 pm the nationally acclaimed program, Kinyan Shabbos, will be starting once again. With this phenomenal program for boys in grades 6-8, through illustrated seforim which will be yours to keep, nosh, prizes and weekly raffles, you will gain an excellent and enjoyable understanding of Hilchos Shabbos. The program is run by Rabbi Avrohom Berkowitz and will take place each Erev Shabbos from Succos through Shavuot for 1/2 hour before mincha/kabbalas Shabbos. Due

to a very generous anonymous donation the entire program is free, including all materials. For more information please speak to Rabbi Berkowitz or the Rov.

## Erev Shabbos Shir HaShirim for Bochorim and Men

Continuing this Erev Shabbos, come to the Shul for the recitation of Shir HaShirim led by Rabbi Yonason Cohen. Start off your Shabbos with inspired expression of the closeness and love of Hashem Yisborach and Klal Yisroel. Each bochor that attends will receive a treat. For more information, please speak with Rabbi Cohen at 720-272-6490.

## Rosh Chodesh

This week we bentch Rosh Chodesh Mar Cheshvon which takes place on this Tuesday and Wednesday.

## Mincha Shabbos Afternoon

ANY QUESTION, ON ANY SUBJECT!



Now on alternate Shabbosos you can watch halacha come to life from the source. Ask any question at the Shul Shalosh Seudos and watch how a psak is formed from the gemora to modern day shailos.

Submit your questions to [RabbiSteinberg@zeraabraham.com](mailto:RabbiSteinberg@zeraabraham.com) and come be part of the sugya as your question is discussed by all and answered.



In response to your requests, Shabbos Mincha now takes place at least 35 minutes before Shkiya to enable all ample time to start Shalosh Seudos before Shkiya.

## Attention Women and Girls

The 19th Annual Shabbos M'Vorchim D'var Torah series for women and girls begins this week, b'Ezras Hashem, Shabbos Bereishis, 2:45pm in the Ezras Nashim of Zera Avraham. The speaker will be Mrs. Rachel Goldbaum. Please join us for a Shabbos of inspiration and some light refreshments.

## Shabbos Bereishis Amen Program for Children

The Annual Shabbos Bereishis Amen Program for children will take place this Shabbos, b'Ezras Hashem, in Zera Avraham beginning at 4:15pm. Girls from Kindergarten thru 8th grade, and boys thru 3rd

grade will gather in the Ezras Nashim for a tale by Story Teller, Reb Yonoson Cohen (and crew). Boys from 4th through 8th grades will meet in the Social Hall with Yosef Chaim Cherenitzky and assistants. Following the story, there will be Shehakol treats for everyone, and a chance to say Amen to almost 100 Berachos.

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### Membership Drive

Your membership letter should have arrived in your mailbox. If you have not received one please contact any board member. If you currently pay on auto pay or credit card we will continue to bill you at your current rate unless you inform us otherwise (to increase it!). This year we will be making special effort to increase our membership income. Please feel free to discuss this with any board member, as if you don't find us, we will be finding you.

### Aniyei Ircha Appeal

Thank you for your generous pledge toward the Aniyei Ircha Fund appeal. Monies may be given to Rabbi Rosskamm, R' Boruch Baxman or to the Rov.

### Night Seder

The Night Seder for Bochorim continues. For 7th and 8th Grade Bochorim, every night from 7:45 to 8:30. There is a separate nightly shiur for each grade. On some nights there are special activities, on Thursday night - Chulent. For more information, please speak with Rabbi Polter at 303-359-4839 or Rabbi Chaim Abrams 303-667-9565.

### Second Weekday Shachris

The second minyan for Shachris at 8:00 continues this week, through Tuesday morning.

### Ezras Tzedakah

When a collector, particularly one whom you do not know well, presents himself without an approval certificate from Ezras Tzedakah, it is a red flag. It is a good idea to ask him why he does not have one. Ishurim from other cities should not be accepted, as the individual's need is constantly re-evaluated each time a collector applies for a certificate. A certificate that is expired should not be accepted. Please also bear in mind that the approval system of Ezras Tzedakah also serves as a way

through which collectors can be held accountable. When applying for a certificate the collector signs his agreement to the following: Not to use the approval certificate after the valid dates; that the certificate may not be transferred to another collector; that he only collect for the purpose/institution stated on the certificate; that he treat all with respect, and accept even a small amount with a smile; that he may not collect in a Shul during Krias Shema and its Berachos; and that he may not solicit funds after 10:00 p.m. and that he not make copies of checks. Infractions are grounds for confiscation of the approval certificate, and reporting to the national databases. **Currently, there is an individual in Denver who is collecting without a certificate, and indeed would not receive one of he were to apply – caution should be exercised.**

### Security Tip

It is a pleasure to see our children enjoying the new playground. We have a combination lock on the front door for security but it only works when the door is fully closed. Please insure your children know to close it all the way.

Although we have this extra measure of security, there is always the possibility that the wrong people can walk in if the gate is left open or while a child is going in and out. We still need to continue having all doors the Shul closed at all times to insure the safety of our members inside the Shul.

**Please note:** There has been a woman trying to gain access to our playground by asking a young child to open the gate. This may be an innocent occurrence; however, given previous experiences, this is more likely a fanatic wanting to gain access to the shul.

discovered that unfortunately the update can cause issues to the filtering settings & in some cases leave the device unfiltered. We advise NOT to accept this update until further notice. In addition it is recommended to make sure Automatic updates are turned off for the device.

### Parsha Delight and ספר משעמי 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.

### Kashrus Alerts

Effective immediately, OK Kosher Certification has terminated kosher certification of **Bliss Life Sciences LLP** due to kashrus violations. Any products on the market bearing the OK symbol are not certified. If seen, please notify by email - info@ok.org, or call 718-756-7500.

**Streit's Egg Noodles.** Due to improper handling after product was manufactured a number of bags have been found to be infested. Any bag with a best buy date of December 2019 or earlier should be returned to store for a refund. Corrective action has been taken.

Effective immediately, all products manufactured by **Conca D'Oro - Ciro (Woodside, NY)**, are no longer being certified by the Chicago Rabbinical Council. This

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- and more...

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includes product bearing the cRc logo.

**Abu Lafia Pita, Produits Pita Achtaroute, Montreal PQ** .The Orthodox Union does not certify Abu Lafia pita. Some bags are printed with an unauthorized "OU Pas Yisroel" symbol. Corrective actions are being implemented. If you see this product in the marketplace, please provide details to kosherq@ou.org.

The following **Fiber One and Nature Valley** products are No Longer Certified Due to changes in production procedures, several Fiber One Brownie varieties (listed above) and Nature Valley Soft-Baked Oatmeal Squares varieties (listed above) will no longer be certified by the Orthodox Union. The products in the marketplace with the OU Symbol are certified by the Orthodox Union and were manufactured prior to the changes: Chocolate Fudge Brownie, Mint Fudge Brownie, Lemon Brownie, Chocolate Chip Brownie,

## QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS FROM HARAV AVIGDOR MILLER ZATZA"l

**Q: What do you think about the election of Carter to be our next President?**

A: I haven't the slightest knowledge about Carter. But I hope that Hakodosh Boruch Hu will give Him His blessings and give him success. Now that he's been elected, it's a *mitzvah* to daven for Carter.

It's a *mitzvah*. You have to be *mispallel b'shlom malchus*; every Jew has to pray for the benefit of the government. Now that he's been elected, we daven he should be well; he shouldn't catch a cold.

He shouldn't be bothered by the liberals. He shouldn't have any wars in his time. And ביימי תושע יהודה וישראל ישכון לבטח (Yirmiyahu 23:6), in his time the Jewish people should be happy and prosperous and Moshiach should come. That's the best I can tell you.

And that's our duty, to pray for Carter. Every Jew has to pray for Carter. And you have to still pray for Ford by the way, because he's still President until January. So for the duration of his term you have to pray for him.

A Jew must pray for his government. It's very important. It's a  *mishna in Mesichta Avos (3:2)*; plain and simple we must pray for the government. And even if you haven't done it till now, it's a good time to begin. From now on think about it sometimes, and say it. Even when you're on the street walking, say a little prayer for the President and for the Vice-president, and don't be ashamed. Don't worry that you might be ridiculed by somebody – let nobody know about it. But you should know that you're doing the duty of an Orthodox Jew.

You must pray for the government! Not because you want to show the government that you pray for them. The fakers come together and wave flags, and they make an official prayer – that doesn't mean a thing. They're not praying for the government, they're just showing off. Pray for the government quietly between yourself and Hashem. And you should really mean it. Have in mind that Carter should be well and that he shouldn't have troubles. He shouldn't fight with his

Cinnamon Coffee Cake Brownie, Orange Cranberry Cake Brownie, Birthday Cake Brownie, Pumpkin Brownie Strawberries & Cream Brownie, Peanut Butter Soft-Baked Oatmeal Squares, Banana Dark Chocolate Soft-Baked Oatmeal Squares, Blueberry Soft-Baked Oatmeal Squares, Cinnamon Brown Sugar Soft-Baked Oatmeal Squares.

### 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.

בס"ד

שיר השירים. רבי נתן אומר מלאכי השרת אמרו אותה,  
שנאמר שיר השירים, המשוררים [כלומר המלאכים]  
לפני הקב"ה מלך מלכי המלכים ואומרים קדוש קדוש  
קדוש. רבו גמליאל אומר הקב"ה אמרה שנאמר  
שיר השירים, השיר הנבחר מכל השירים ואמרה  
האבות והצדיקים והנביאים ומלאכי השרת, מי  
אמרה, מי שהשלום שלו.



*Shir HaShirim. Rabi Nossan states - The serving angels sing this song, as it states - the Song "of the Singers", those angels that sing before Hashem "Holy, Holy, Holy..." they sing this song of Shir HaShirim. Rabi Gamliel states, Hashem himself sings this song - this most choice song which is sung by the forefathers, the righteous, the prophets and the serving angels - who sings it? He, that to Him is peace.*

**Men and Bochorim - Let us join for an uplifting start of Shabbos, each week (starting ערב שבת נביאים) 15 minutes before Mincha with Shir HaShirim, read in unison and with the trop.**

Each Bochor will receive a raffle ticket for each week that he attends toward a set of Artscoll Machzorim to be held on Chanukah.

For more information,  
inquire with R' Yonason Cohen 720-272-6490

wife. He should have peace at home and peace in the government. Congress should cooperate with him. There's no question that if there will be a tranquil government, then Carter will try to make a good name for himself. No question about it. Any President would like to make a regime that will go down in history as a successful regime.

And so, our best wishes are given to the incumbent, President-elect Carter, and Hakodosh Boruch Hu should help him – and us. TAPE # 144 (November 1976)

**Q: How does a person know if he is being stingy or just being careful with money?**

A: If he is in doubt, let him should consult someone, a *talmid chochom*. Sometimes, he is deceiving himself and he needs someone to point that out to him. Of course, you can't run to the *chochom* for every little thing; you have to use your judgment. If a person has a certain amount of *ahavas Hashem* and he is looking for mitzvos, and at the same time he has a certain amount of *chochma*, so the *chochma* and

the *ahavas Hashem* work together and give him an idea what he should do. But just to tell you from here, in a general way, how to control this *middah*, is not possible. You have to use your judgment based on the knowledge that you have to save your money, and you have to worry about your own family. And yet, you also you have to think about your duties in *gemilas chasodim* too. You have to come to some sort of compromise. Now, in case it is too difficult, so you consult a *chochom* to help you come to a decision. TAPE # E-91 (November 1996)

**Q: Are there any objections to frum Jews playing state lottery games?**

A: In Europe there were state lotteries, and it wasn't considered wrong, even for frum Jews, to buy a lottery ticket. However, some Jews go overboard with it and that leads to trouble. It's like drinking wine for kiddush. It's a good thing, but drinking too much wine, or drinking all the time, that's not so good.

What happens is that people start hanging around these places and putting all their money into it. You even have some fools who think they have perfected the system how to win; there are actually fools like that! I know all about it because I have to deal with them. I argued with one. His wife called me up, and she says that all their money is going down the drain in the lottery tickets. So I spoke to him and he told me he has a system! He's following a system and he's bound to win. Only that it didn't come yet; it's always right around the corner. A fool! TAPE # 491

**Q: Should I buy a house in Eretz Yisroel?**

A: And the answer is that you should buy a house in the place where you're making a living. To go to Eretz Yisroel and become a *schnoorer* doesn't pay. No, no. It doesn't pay. You must make a living. And therefore whether you buy a house or rent a house, make sure that you're in a place where you can make a living. And you should always make sure to find a frum neighborhood. It's very important. *S'vivah*, environment, is everything. Not only for

your children but for you as well. People who live around a Yeshiva are different than people who live someplace else. You see tzitzis out. Everyone is wearing a black hat. Shabbos is a different kind of Shabbos. It's a different kind of life. It's very important to live in a frum neighborhood. And even though sometimes it may be more expensive to live there, it's worth it. I cannot overemphasize that. A frum neighborhood is most important. TAPE # E-179 (February 1999)

**Shabbos Davening and Learning**

Likras Shabbos .....	5:53
Shir HaShirim .....	6:15
Candlelighting .....	6:18
Mincha .....	6:23
Mishna Berura .....	Rav Steinberg ..... 8:00
Shacharis .....	8:30
Sof Zman Krias Shema .....	9:17, 9:53
Bnos .....	2:00
Sefer HaChinuch .....	R' Dovid Zussman ..... 3:30
Daf Yomi .....	R' Yoil Unger ..... 4:00
Gemara Shiur- Maseches Pesachim .....	Rabbi Rosskamm ..... 5:00
Gemora Shiur- Sugyas Kiddush .....	Rav Steinberg ..... 5:00
Mincha .....	6:00
Shkiah .....	6:35
Maariv .....	7:24

**Weekday Davening**

Shacharis .....	Sunday .....	6:30, 8:00
.....	Monday and Thursday .....	6:10, (8:00 M)
.....	Tues. Wed. and Friday .....	6:20, (8:00 Tu)
Mincha .....	Sunday-Thursday .....	6:25 followed by shiur
Maariv .....	Sunday-Thursday .....	after Mincha and 8:30
Daf Yomi .....	R' Yoil Unger .....	M-F at 5:20 am, Sun at 7:20 am
Kinyan Masechta Kesubos ...	Rav Steinberg .....	M-Th ..... after 1st Maariv
Kinyan Masechta Review .....	Rav Steinberg .....	Sun ..... 9:00 am
Chabura Shmiras Halashon .	Rabbi M. Zussman .	M-Th ..... after Maariv
Night Seder .....	.....	Sun-Thurs ..... 7:30 pm

**מטעמי פרשה פרשת בראשית Parsha Delight Question**

ויעש אלקים את חית הארץ למינה ומאת הבהמה למינה Hashem made the beast of the earth according to its kind, and the animal according to its kind (1:25). Why is the behaima/beast called "of the earth", and the chaya/animal is not?