



ISLAND SYNAGOGUE

Rabbi Jonathan Horowitz

WEEKLY NEWSLETTER OF THE WILLIE & CELIA TRUMP SYNAGOGUE

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January 11 – January 12, 2012

Friday Night Candle Lighting	5:30 PM
Mincha/Evening Services	5:30 PM
Shacharit/Morning Services	9:00 AM
Woman's Torah Study Group	4:30 PM
Rabbi Horowitz's class on the Weekly Parsha	4:45 PM
Mincha/ Afternoon Services	5:30 PM
Maariv / Havdala	6:34 PM

Men's Talmud Class

Join Rabbi Jonathan Horowitz
Sunday mornings for breakfast
followed by
Talmud Study
Beginners welcome!
The Class takes place following
morning services at 8:00 AM

“Therefore say to the children of Israel: I am G-d, and I shall bring you out from under the burdens of Egypt, and I shall deliver you out of their bondage, and I shall redeem you with an outstretched arm, and with great judgments. And I shall take you for Me as a people, and I Shall be a Lord to you, and you will know that I am G-d your Lord Who takes you out from under the burdens of Egypt.” (6:6-7)

The Chasam Sofer points out that while people are easily impressed by supernatural miracles, they tend to dismiss as coincidence those “hidden” ones which occur within the framework of natural law.

The events surrounding the Exodus are very much a case in point. Our Sages (Rosh Hashanah 11a) tell us that while the actual exit from Egypt took place on Passover, it in fact began much earlier, on the preceding Rosh Hashanah, when the decrees of labor were abolished and the Jewish people were no longer required to work.

But those people of little faith failed to see the hand of G-d in their deliverance from the crushing burdens of labor, attributing it instead to natural causes. Perhaps, they thought, it was just coincidence, or perhaps some tiny spark of compassion had finally ignited in Pharaoh's heart.

This explains a seeming anomaly in these verses. The first portion of this prophecy, “and I will take you out from under the burdens of Egypt and I will rescue you from their work,” contains no mention of the people's recognizing the miraculous work of G-d. Later, however, after fulfillment of the rest of the prophecy, “And I

Weekly Services Schedule

Morning Services

Monday-Friday 7:00 AM

Sunday and Holidays 8:00 A.M.

Evening Services

Sunday–Thursday

Week of Jan 13 5:30 PM

Week Of Jan 20 5:35 PM

Friday evening: Friday evening services for the duration of fall and winter will take place the same time as candle lighting.

Shabbat

9:00 A.M.

Shabbat (Saturday) evening services will take place at the same time posted for Friday's evening's candle lighting.

shall redeem you with an outstretched arm and with great wonders and I shall take you for Me as a people, and I shall be a Lord to you,” we are told, “And you will know that I am G-d your Lord Who takes you out from under the burdens of Egypt.” Only then will “you know” it. Only then will everyone realize in retrospect that the miracles had begun long before, on Rosh Hashanah, when they were “taken out from under the burdens of Egypt.”

Shabbat Shalom

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Synagogue Gala Journal

Dinner

This year's Synagogue Gala Dinner honoring two couples: Paul and Anita Friedman & Larry and Susan Metsch will take place G-d willing Thursday March 7, 2013.

The Gala Dinner Planning Committee chaired by Beverly Litsky will have its next meeting Monday February 4, 8:30 AM at the Synagogue. A light Breakfast will be served.

Adult Education

Book Review

Join Rabbi Horowitz on Wednesday January 16, 7:30 PM at the synagogue for a book review of

Out of the Depths

by Rabbi Israel Meir Lau

A harrowing, miraculous and inspiring account of the story of Israel Meir Lau, one of the youngest survivors of Buchenwald, how he managed to survive, emigrate to Israel and become chief Rabbi and a world revered figure.

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Yahrtzeits

THE FOLLOWING YAHRTZEITS WILL BE OBSERVED IN THE COMING WEEK (January 13 - January 19)

Miriam (Mother of Jack Gerard)
3 Shevat (Jan 14)

Henrietta (Mother of Esther Berger)
4 Shevat (Jan 15)

Esther Pludwinski (Mother of Thomas Pludwinski)
8 Shevat (Jan 19)

Alter Avraham Strulowitz (Father of Herbert Strulowitz)
8 Shevat (Jan 19)

Mazal Tov

Mazal Tov to our members Oriana & Alan Azizollahoff on the forthcoming marriage of their daughter Lianne to Mr. Shneior Zalman Benchimol

Condolences

The entire Willie and Celia Trump Synagogue membership extends its condolences to SheiLa Steiner on the loss of her beloved husband Bill and to Jerome Press on the loss of his beloved wife Judith.

May G-d Comfort them among all those who mourn for Zion and Jerusalem.

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Kiddush

The Kiddush this week is sponsored jointly by Eleanor & Don Kirshner and Susan & Larry Metsch in honor of their wedding anniversary celebrations.

Everyone is Invited

Pesach Community

Seder

We would like once again to offer the community the opportunity to attend Synagogue Pesach Sedarim led by our Rabbi Jonathan Horowitz. Please call the synagogue office (305-931-4777) or Rabbi Horowitz (305-932-1388) **no later than Feb 15, 2013** if you plan on participating.



For Assistance

from the Bikur Cholim Society

Contact Menucha Meinstein

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If you wish to celebrate a simcha or commemorate the yahrtzeit of a loved one let us know. You do not have to be a Synagogue member. Call Rabbi Jonathan or Janice Horowitz (305) 932-1388.