



# Young Israel of Chomedey Congregation Chevra Mishnayis

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## YIC Weekly Newsletter Oct 18 - 24 / 30 Tishrei - 6b Cheshvan

DAY	DATE	SCHACHRIS	MINCHA / MA'ARIV
SUNDAY	Oct 18	9:00 AM (Rosh Chodesh)	No Services
MONDAY	Oct 19	7:00 AM (Rosh Chodesh)	No Services
TUESDAY	Oct 20	No Services	No Services
WEDNESDAY	Oct 21	No Services	No Services
THURSDAY	Oct 22	7:00 AM	No Services
FRIDAY	Oct 23	No Services	5:40 PM <b>Shabbat Starts: 5:36 PM</b>
SATURDAY	Oct 24	Parshat: <b>NOACH</b> Partial Services as indicated.	Shabbat Ends: <b>6:38 PM</b>

## COVID-19

Dear Members,

The holidays have passed - B'H safely - for all our members, and we are now 4 weeks into the New Year. Our shul has returned to what most likely will be the new normal for some time to come - a combination of some morning and evening services in shul including Shabbat, and ZOOM evening services led by Rabbi Banon or others when the Rabbi is unavailable. So for the most part, we are keeping in touch with each other and seeing each other in person or on Zoom. That in itself is a positive accomplishment.

One of the most important aspects of this Covid-19 reality, is how most of us - all of us pretty well over 75, have adapted to the new technological realities that our devices have afforded us during the past 7-8 months, and learning more every day. Without these trusty devices, we would most likely all be climbing the walls, and tearing what little hair we have out of our heads.

We are resilient, we are managing, and some of us are even thriving - and **WE SHALL OVERCOME!!!** Stay Safe - Stay Healthy!

Issie

**RABBI BANON'S BIBLE CLASS:** Rabbi Banon's Bible class takes place this week on Thursday Oct 22nd at 7:15 PM. All are invited to attend and participate.

**RABBI HALPERIN'S CLASS:** Rabbi Halperin's class will resume on Tuesday Oct. 20th at 7:15PM with time change on 1/11, and after that will revert to usual after ma'ariv time of 7:45 PM. He will continue with Halachot/Laws, with last 15 min. set aside for questions & general discussions. All invited to attend and participate.

**HAPPY BIRTHDAY:** A belated **HAPPY YOM HOLEDET** to Rabbi Halperin who celebrated his special day on October 8, 20th of Tishrei. May you have many more birthdays filled with good health and happiness ad 120.

**ANNIVERSARIES:** a) **MAZAL TOV** and **HAPPY 45th ANNIVERSARY** to Past-President George Finkelstein and wife Rose who celebrate their 45th anniversary on Monday, October 19th. Wishing them all the best and many more happy and healthy ones with family and friends. **MAZAL TOV** and **HAPPY 55th ANNIVERSARY** to Luba & Pesach Bosis who celebrate on Friday, October 23rd. Wishing you many more happy and healthy years together with your family and friends.

**YASHIR KOACHS:** a) **YASHER KOACH** to the Rabbi and Marvin Baker who kept fixing the schach on the Sukka roof every time it blew away, and again to Marvin and Vera who helped the Rabbi take down the Schach before the Sukkah was dismantled. b) And a **YASHER KOACH** to Mike Andradi who made sure that we had treats to eat in the Sukkah every day, and allowed us all to partake in the Mitzvah of "Leishev ba'Sukkah!"

**REFUAH SHLEMA:** A **REFUAH SHLEMA** to all our members who are still under the weather and recovering from various illnesses and ailments, and to all people everywhere still battling Covid-19.

# STAY SAFE STAY HEALTHY STAY HOME

*(But come to shul if you feel comfortable.  
Just check-in with the Rabbi, Issie, or the Office.*

## **Yahrzeits for the week of Oct 19 - 25 / 1 - 7 Cheshvan**

<b>COMMON DATE</b>	<b>JEWISH DATE</b>	<b>MEMBER</b>		<b>DECEASED</b>	<b>RELATION</b>
Oct 19	Cheshvan 1	Ethel Kendall	for	Miriam Horlick z"l	mother
Oct 19	Cheshvan 1	Ora Kendall	for	Miriam Horlick z"l	grandmother
Oct 19	Cheshvan 1	Nathan Langburt	for	Leib Langburt z"l	father
Oct 20	Cheshvan 2	David Slavat	for	Abraham Slavat z"l	father
Oct 20	Cheshvan 2	Jackie Tansky	for	Oscar Morsten z"l	father
Oct 20	Cheshvan 2	Daniel Tansky	for	Sydney Tansky z"l	father
Oct 23	Cheshvan 5	Phyllis Abramovitz	for	Rifka Gross z"l	mother
Oct 24	Cheshvan 6	Robert Bergson	for	Aby Bergson z"l	father
Oct 25	Cheshvan 7	Ruth Mardinger	for	Fania Korn z"l	mother

Any Young Israel member **MISSING** a Yahrzeit notice in the shul bulletin, please email the info directly to [therudys@videotron.ca](mailto:therudys@videotron.ca) Please provide full name in English (and Hebrew if possible) and the date of the Yahrzeit as well as relationship to YIC member. As soon as info is received, it will be forwarded to the shul office, or you can also email or phone in the info direct to the office if you prefer. **Note:** In the event a female member does not want her maiden name included in the weekly bulletin Yahrzeit notices - for possible security reasons - please advise the office, and we will make the appropriate change.

## **Shul happenings this week in a nutshell:**

**Sunday Oct 18th, Rosh Chodesh - 8:30 AM**

Shachris services in shul

**Monday Oct 19th, Rosh Chodesh - 7:00 AM**

Shachris services in shul

**Sunday Oct 18th through Thursday Oct 22nd**

**Zoom evening services at 6:00 PM**

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Meeting ID: 513 143 4099

Password: 6812571

**Rabbi Halperin's class - Tuesday Oct 20th**

**on Zoom - evening at 7:15 PM**

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**Thursday Oct 22nd - 7:00 AM**

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Mincha /Ma'ariv services in shul (*and on Zoom- see above*)

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**Friday Oct 23rd - 5:40 PM**

Mincha /Ma'ariv services in shul

**Saturday Oct 24th - 9:00 AM**

Shabbat - Schachris services in shul

# PARSHAT HASHAVUA - WEEKLY TORAH PORTION

## NOACH

Genesis 6:9-11:32



G-d instructs Noah—the only righteous man in a world consumed by violence and corruption—to build a large wooden teivah (“ark”), coated within and without with pitch. A great deluge, says G-d, will wipe out all life from the face of the earth; but the ark will float upon the water, sheltering Noah and his family, and two members (male and female) of each animal species.

Rain falls for 40 days and nights, and the waters churn for 150 days more before calming and beginning to recede. The ark settles on Mount Ararat, and from its window Noah dispatches a raven, and then a series of doves, “to see if the waters were abated from the face of the earth.” When the ground dries completely—exactly one solar year (365 days) after the onset of the Flood—G-d commands Noah to exit the teivah and repopulate the earth.

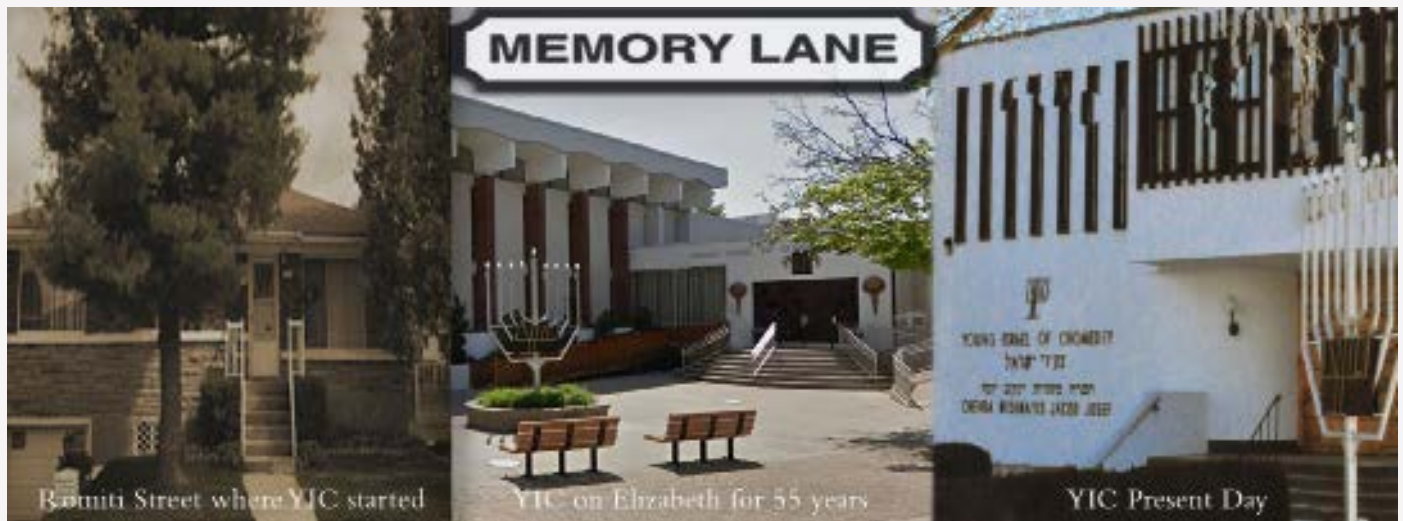
Noah builds an altar and offers sacrifices to G-d. G-d swears never again to destroy all of mankind because of their deeds, and sets the rainbow as a testimony of His new covenant with man. G-d also commands Noah regarding the sacredness of life: murder is deemed a capital offense, and while man is permitted to eat the meat of animals, he is forbidden to eat flesh or blood taken from a living animal.

Noah plants a vineyard and becomes drunk on its produce. Two of Noah’s sons, Shem and Japheth, are blessed for covering up their father’s nakedness, while his third son, Ham, is punished for taking advantage of his debasement.

The descendants of Noah remain a single people, with a single language and culture, for ten generations. Then they defy their Creator by building a great tower to symbolize their own invincibility; G-d confuses their language so that “one does not comprehend the tongue of the other,” causing them to abandon their project and disperse across the face of the earth, splitting into seventy nations.

The Parshah of Noach concludes with a chronology of the ten generations from Noah to Abram (later Abraham), and the latter’s journey from his birthplace of Ur Casdim to Charan, on the way to the land of Canaan.





**MEMORY LANE # 88 (EDITED)  
FROM THE BULLETIN OF THE YOUNG ISRAEL OF CHOMEDEY  
30TH ANNIVERSARY ISSUE 1989**

**MESSAGE FROM RABBI DR. SOLMON J. SPIRO**

The Young Israel and I are both celebrating our 30th anniversary this year. We both have memories of pioneering days, of momentous decisions regarding the future of the community, of trials, travails, and also many triumphs, and of much nachas as a generation of young people grew up to take their places in other communities as staunch Jews. We shared in imbuing those who lived and grew up here with a spirit of Yiddishkeit. It is heartening to see many of our members and young people who grew up here, say that their years in Chomedey were the most pleasant of their lives!

Statically speaking, 30 years is the life expectancy of a community. Yet, here we are 30 years later, the Young Israel of Chomedey, still active and alive! But then, we always bucked the odds. When we first came here they said, "what, a Jewish community in Chomedey, where the bears wander? But it did happen! They said that we were not rich enough to build a permanent sanctuary. But we did it! They said that we would never have a day school. But we did! Now they are saying we are on our way out. But we're still very much in! There are still plenty of Jews in Chomedey, and thank G-d there are some who participate actively in Shul and community affairs.

They no doubt realize the challenge is now greater than before, and dedicate their energies to bucking the odds and keeping Chomedey alive.

Every Shabbos in a prayer that is offered after the reading of the Torah, the congregation mentions that G-d rewards those who labour for the good of the community with a long life of health and happiness. Surely those who help keep our community alive by their devotion and dedication will reap the benefits of their labour as the prayer states. But anyone else who cares to try it can have the same benefits. We take this occasion to salute our active, busy workers.

May there be many fruitful years ahead and may we be as proud of them as we are of the past!

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Rabbi Spiro was born in Chatham, New Brunswick but grew up in Montreal. He received his rabbinical training at Yeshiva University, and after ordination he served as Program Director of the Community Service Division of the University until 1959 when he became our Spiritual Leader, which was known as The Jewish Congregation of St. Martin. He has doctorates in Jewish Philosophy from Yeshiva University and in English Literature from McGill University. He has published numerous articles in a variety of journals, and is married to Syma Switzer.

**WE REGRET ANY ERRORS OR OMISSIONS**

*(Yashir Koach to Fred Rudy for providing us all with these memorable historical moments, which some of us may still remember!*