פרשיות תזריע-מצורע Rav Yaakov Lehrfield, Rabbi Rav Mendy Katzman, Assistant Rabbi May 2, 2025 / 4 Iyar Rav Yaakov Marcus, Rabbi Emeritus Robert Rosenberg, President

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MAZAL TOV

- **❖ Stacey & Dr. Louis Emmer** and **Mrs. Sonia Emmer** on the Sheva Brachot of their children Naomi & Dovid Gettinger.
- Susan & Bernard Zimmerman on the Bar Mitzvah of their grandson Avi, son of Esther & Yonah Zimmerman.

To have a notice listed in the weekly announcements, please notify the office before NOON Thursday at office@yisi.org or 718-494-6700, Ext. 0 with the wording and spelling of names that you want placed in the announcements. Should you choose not to notify the office directly, please note that correct spelling of names cannot be guaranteed. Resident Members only.

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We would like to thank the following for their Charity Fund Contribution:

- ★ Marilyn and Irv Reich for the yahrzeit of his mother, Shaindl bas Kalman a"h, on 30 Nisan and the yahrzeit of Marilyn's brother, Reuven ben Yisrael a"h, on 8 Iyar.
- ★ Marlene & Irwin Bash for the yahrzeit of his father Cantor Saul Bash, Shlomo Yehuda ben Yisrael Hillel a"h, on 6 Iyar.
- ★ Marty & Arlene Friedman for the 5th yahrzeit of Marty's mother, Ettel Baila bas Shlomo Elimelech, a"h.
- ★ Bernie & Susan Zimmerman on the yahrzeit of his wonderful mother, Gittel bas Ben Tzion a"h.

Shul Announcements

FOLLOW OUR SHUL ON WHATSAPP! Join us at: https://chat.whatsapp.com/KLaU8dEeB14GWcz403Hqbb.

THANK YOU to everyone who came out to pack boots, and thank you to everyone who donated to this important initiative. Thanks to you, we are sending more than 500 pairs of boots to the Chayalim defending Eretz Yisrael. What a beautiful way to celebrate Yom HaAtzma'ut! Thank you to Rabbi Mendy Katzman and Jeff Mosczyc for their work on the program and to Holy Schnitzel for the delicious Israeli food! Special shout out to Shea Weiss for spearheading this effort!

EISHES CHAYIL KIDDUSH: Join us on **Shabbos, May 10,** for an Eishes Chayil/Mothers' Day Kiddush following the Main Minyan. Honor the wonderful moms in your life - with a sponsorship of \$72 you can have their name listed on a scroll of honor. \$18 for each additional name. Please email office@yisi.org with your listings.

SCHOLAR IN RESIDENCE: Shabbos Parshas Emor, May 17-18. We are excited to host Captain Yigal Dilmoni, Co-Founder of American Friends of Judea & Samaria (AFJS). As an IDF Commander in a paratrooper mobility unit, he served this past year on multiple fronts in Gaza and Lebanon. Hear insights I nto tactics, special operations, and humanitarian efforts. More than a war story, this is a powerful journey through Jewish heritage and the deep roots of the Jewish people in the land of Israel. Learn how you can support Judea & Samaria and become an ambassador for Israel's future. To sponsor, contact Jeremy Goldzal at jgoldzal@gmail.com or 917-577-9286.

CELEBRATE ISRAEL PARADE: Sunday, May 18 - March with YISI! Marchers must wear the group t-shirt. Join our WhatsApp group for up-to-date info: https://chat.whatsapp.com/L8nMPSiEdpuGLMfoH1KSYA.

SHAVUOT LEARNING: If there is anyone who would like to give a Shiur on Shavuot, please contact Rabbi Lehrfield.

MEN'S SOFTBALL LEAGUE: Last Motzei Shabbos, we began the 2nd season of men's softball. Games continue this Motzei Shabbos at the New Springville fields on Forest Hill Road. We urge everyone to come out and cheer on your friends! Thank you to the League Commissioner, Moshe Zola, for all of his efforts to make this happen once again!

YISI BOOK CLUB: Mon., May 5th at 7:15 PM in the MPR. We are reading "After Annie" by Anna Quindlen. Copies are reserved for us at the Todt Hill Library under #2936. Please return your copy after you have finished reading it, so others can enjoy it as well. Please contact Sarah Spiler at 646-321-3309 if you have any questions.

SHABBOS LUACH	
Eruv is up on both sides	
Friday, May 2	
Candle Lighting	6:45 / 7:36 PM
Mincha	6:20 / 7:45 PM
Shabbos, May 3	
Shacharis	7 (M), 8 (MPR), 9 (M), 9:30 Sfard (F)
Rabbi's Parsha Shiur	8:25 AM
Z'man Krias Shema	9:23 AM
Women's Learning Group: Orchos Tzadikim (Main Shul – Women's Section)	4:00 PM
Daf Yomi	7:00 PM
Oraysa Amud v'Chazarah	7:00 PM
Mishna Yomis	7:25 PM
Mincha	3:00 & 7:35 PM
Rabbi Lehrfield will speak on the topic: The Greatness of Grandparents	Between Mincha & Maariv
Shabbos Ends	8:40 PM

	WEEKDAY LUACH
Earliest T&T	4:55 AM
Early Mincha	Sun-Thur 1:45 PM
Mincha/Maariv	Sun-Thur 7:50 PM
Late Maariv	Mon-Th 9:00 PM
Halacha of the Week	Shulchan Aruch writes that one may not begin a meal until one counts Sefiras HaOmer. When does this prohibition begin? Mishnah Berurah writes that beginning 30 minutes before Tzeis Hakochavim (nightfall), one may not begin a meal until counting Sefira, even if they have already davened ma'ariv. One who considers nightfall to begin 50 minutes after sunset must not begin a meal once it is 20 minutes after sunset. However, if one started the meal before this time, they may continue eating. If one wishes to begin a meal during this time, they can appoint a guardian to remind them. However, the guardian must be someone who is not involved in the meal, or else he too might be distracted. With regard to whether one may set an alarm to allow eating before counting Sefira, Rav Shlomo Zalman Auerbach, Rav Elyashiv and Rav Shmuel Wosner were of the opinion that it helps. Whereas Rav Nissin Karelitz maintained that since an alarm merely rings and does not explicitly remind him what to do, it does not help.
Monday - Thursday	Rabbi Lehrfield Gemara Shiur 9:00 AM in MPR or via Zoom: https://us02web.zoom.us/j/5608515236 Meeting ID: 560 851 5236 / Passcode: 12345
Wednesday	Rabbi Weiss – Tefilla 8:30 PM & Parsha 9:00 PM Via Phone: 425-436-6327, Code: 435236#

ORAYSA AMUD V'CHAZARA PROGRAM: Learn one amud a day, with a review of the previous day's amud. Given Mon-Thur 35 minutes before Mincha, and Sun at 9:45 AM. To join, contact Louis Emmer at 718- 938-5414 or louisemmer@gmail.com.

YISI PESACH APPEAL: We hope you will consider supporting our appeal to fund replacing the aging roof of our building, ensuring the continued safety and integrity of our cherished shul. Thank you to all who already responded. Your support is greatly appreciated.

DAILY LEARNING AT YISI: A meaningful way to start your day! **Sun – Fri: Daf Yomi**

- Rabbi Rosenberg: Mon Fri after 6:30 AM Shacharis
- Rabbi Perlstein: Mon & Thu at 6:25 AM; Tue, Wed, Fri at 6:30 AM; Sun at 8:30 AM
- Rabbi Winzelberg: Sun at 7:45 AM

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Mon - Thu: YISI / Kollel Ba'al HaBatim Zichron Avraham Dov

- 9:00 AM: Gemara Shiur with Rabbi Lehrfield in the MPR
- 9:50 AM: Rabbi Gary Kopstick on Parshas HaShavua. Via Zoom or phone: 520-453-7185.
- 10:30 AM: Rabbi Goldberger on Tanach in the MPR or via phone: 605-313-5890, code: 399719.
- 11:35 AM: Rabbi Goldstein on Gemara Beitza in the MPR or via phone: 425-436-6399, code 489260.

A Day of Learning at the YISI Kollel Ba'al HaBatim may be sponsored in memory of a loved one, or in honor of a joyous occasion, for \$135. Please see Gil Cohen or the office for a request form.

YISI Little League

A new season of Little League has begun and we are happy to report it's off to a great start! It was wonderful to see close to 200 children in the park this past Sunday!

Youth Announcements

SHABBOS MORNING GROUPS: 9:30 AM – end of davening. Weekly sign-up required for toddler groups.

SHABBOS AFTERNOON GROUPS: 3:00-4:30 PM.

 $\ensuremath{\mathsf{JR.CONGREGATION}}$ with Rabbi Ben Schofield: Shabbos morning at 9:30 AM in the Gym.

TEEN MINYAN: Shabbos morning at 9:30 AM in the Beis Medrash. Parents are encouraged to send their kids to the teen minyan.

DAY CAMP: Gan YISI registration is now open! Please Email Daycamp@yisi.org for more info. **Teens:** Gan YISI is hiring! Email Daycamp@yisi.org to inquire.

Community Happenings

You are cordially invited to a community-wide LADIES NIGHT OUT with the dynamic and inspirational Rebbetzin Slovie Jungreis-Wolff. Wed. evening, May 7 at 8:15 PM at The New Island, 98 Rupert Ave. We look forward to seeing you there!

MIKVAH SHIUR for married women at the Young Israel of SI in the Main Shul on May 13 at 8:45 PM. Rebbetzin Mirel Fruchthandler, daughter of Rebbetzin Zehava Braunstein, will be speaking.

CHAI DEFENSE: Krav Maga based self-defense, situational awareness and de-escalation techniques taught by former IDF Special Forces veterans. Every Tues. & Thur. 7:30-8:30 PM at the Manor Rd JCC.

AMIT NEWS: Support AMIT. Purchase cards for all occasions. Contact Aviva Brum.

DEFENSIVE DRIVING COURSE: Call Dave Bodner at 718-761-0707.

SHAATNEZ TESTING in the Willowbrook area: Same day service available. Contact Rabbi Avraham Zachter @ 646-286-4658.

BAR MITZVAH LESSONS: Learn how to lain and daven. Call Rabbi Yaakov Gifter at 917-691-8477.

Let Willowbrook Shoe Shine take the edge off your Erev Shabbos! Call/text/WhatsApp: 917-691-8477.

Punchlist Handyman Services: Reliable and skilled handyman for all your home repair and maintenance needs. Call/Text/Whatsapp 680-786-2433.

Tehillim Circle

List will be updated at the beginning of each month. If you have a name you want listed, contact Yehudis Loewenstein at 917-868-5417, or yudisl@aol.com. Names given should only be people of our community or their relatives. Please continue to say Tehillim for those seeking refuah.

- Yisroel Alter ben Chava Chana
- Boruch Tzvi ben Chana Gittel
- Yisroel Yitzchok Ben Raizel
- Simcha Yitzchok ben Mireleh Yudka
- Dov Berish ben Chaya
 Managham Mardaghai
- Menachem Mordechai ben Zeesel
- Raphael Pesachya Yaakov Halevi ben Aviva Sarah
- Sorah Shoshana bas Dreiza Leah
- Pessel bat Rochel
- Chaya Esther bas Rochel Leba
- Tehilla Basya bas Chaya TovaShayna Golda bat Chaya Gitel
- Devorah Aliza bat Chana Liba
- Bracha Devorah bat Sarah HennaBracha Rivka bat Miriam Leba
- Etel Feiga bas Henya Ruchel

Community Gemachs

- Office Equipment, desks, file cabinets available to Yeshivas, Shuls, Jewish organizations for free. First come, first served. If interested, call Paul Lebowitz @ 917-337-5883
- Precharged phone battery chargers (with AC connection to recharge).
 Comes with built-in connecter for iPhone and USB. Leave a \$5 deposit check which will be returned. Text 917-710-5611 or 718-570-5920.
- Chuppah Tefillah cards Please contact Rivka Gold 917-836-1408.
- Simcha Gowns Contact Aviva Brum 718-801-2405 or Sarah Chasky 917-575-0749.
- Chair Gemach If you need to borrow chairs for company or a simcha, call Chana Reichman at 718 404-6708.
- Be'er Miriam v'Rachel Centerpiece Gmach Rachelit 718 983-9664.
- ◆ School Uniforms Rachelit 718 983-9664.
- ▶ Bris Pillow & Outfit David at 347 661-4760 or Emunah at 718 813-1977.
- Baby on the go Gemach Liluy Nishmat Rafi Toback items available for loan for newborn needs and baby travel. Call Emunah Toback, 718 813 -1977.
- Mom to Mom Fresh, hot, kosher lunches for a week delivered to new moms on Staten Island, absolutely free. To order, call or text 347-254-8112.
- Mezuzot Inspections Have your Mezuzot picked up, inspected, repaired, replaced, and returned. No charge for transporting the Mezuzot! Contact Scott Diamond for info: 917-674-3317/slzdiamond@hotmail.com.

Chessed Opportunities

- Any member of the congregation in need of assistance due to infirmity or age, please contact 718 494-4343. Help is a phone call away no matter how big or small the need is!
- Bikur Cholim is looking for: Volunteers to visit Jewish residents in Staten Island nursing homes. Call Brenda Kellerman at 718-761-6521. Volunteers to straighten out Bikur Cholim room at Staten Island University Hospital once a week. Contact Sheryl Jacobowitz at 917-445-8887.
- Chevra Kadisha of Staten Island is looking for additional individuals, both men and women, who can assist on a regular basis. If you are available or would like additional information, contact Larry Cohen at 718-612-3474.
- Hebrew Free Burial Association has a constant need for men, Bar Mitzvah age and up, to help in the performance of "Chesed Shel Emet" by serving as Levaya Minyan Volunteers at the Mt. Richmond Cemetery, 420 Clarke Ave. Contact Scott Diamond at (917) 674-3317 or slzdiamond@hotmail.com.
- Clothing Donation BY APPOINTMENT ONLY no drop-offs. In good condition nothing torn, soiled or outdated. Goes directly to people in our neighborhood. All sizes needed. Teachers, call if you have a student in need! If you need clothing, or to schedule a drop-off, call Rachelit at 718-983-9664.
- Beautiful ketubot available at no charge. Medium and small sizes.
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- If you need help in writing in Hebrew for a matzeva, contact Rachelit at 718-983-9664. No charge. Also available for writing in Hebrew for a simcha.
- The Willowbrook Pantry is open by appointment only. Call Beverly Israel at 646-530-1495 or Noga Kugel at 347-776-2977. Cleaning items & toiletries can be dropped off at 511 Buchanan Ave. or 154 Oakville St. anytime.
- Israel Connect: In Israel, English proficiency is the biggest barrier to university entry for underprivileged students. Using Zoom, you can tutor a student in Israel from the comfort of your home. The interaction is simple and enjoyable, and makes all the difference for the student. Click on the video here to see more or email israelconnectscheduling@gmail.com.

Job Opportunities

 JFS is seeking a 3rd grade Limudei Kodesh teacher for the 2025-2026 school year. Please send resumes to office@jfssi.org.

Real Estate Listings

If you would like to list an apartment for rent or a house for sale on the YISI website, please call 718-494-6700 or email office@yisi.org. If you know of anyone looking to move into our community, please point them to our listings at https://www.yisi.org/community/real-estate/.

We want to share in your Smachot! Please notify the shul office of major life events such as births, bar mitzvahs and weddings so that we can wish you a Mazal Tov in our weekly announcements (Resident Members only; non-Resident members can make a donation to the Simcha Fund).

Donations to the **Simcha Fund and Charity Fund** of **\$54** or more will be acknowledged in the corresponding section of announcements.

You may **sponsor a shiur** in honor of or in memory of a loved one with a donation of **\$100** or more.

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