

פ' וישלח • Parashat Vayishlach

PARNESSE HAYOM KISLEV

These Days of Learning have been dedicated to the memory of the following by members of their family.

2 Kislev

Mayer, Stark & Bloch Families in memory of husband and father, Abraham Mayer (Avraham Dovid ben Chaim Meir, z'l)

13 Kislev

David Novoseller in memory of his grandfather, Morris Dowben (Mendel ben Yisrael, z'l)

15 Kislev

Mark Wainberg in memory of his father, Abe Wainberg (Avraham ben Yitzchak Zeev, z'l)

17 Kislev

Dr. David Zukor in memory of his father, Leslie Zukor (Yitzchak Chaim ben Yosef, z'l)

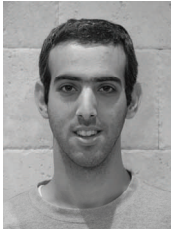
22 Kislev

Dr. Alex Spira in memory of his father, Abraham Spira (Avraham Eliezer ben Yeshiah Zvi, z'l)

27 Kislev

Joel King in memory of his father-in-law Ben Hymer, z'l

For more information on the KTM Parness Hayom Project, please call our office at 514 486 5718.



"וַיֹּאמֶר אִם יָבוֹא עֲשׂוֹ אֶל
 הַמַּחֲנֶה הָאַחַת וְהִכְהוּ וְהָיָה
 הַמַּחֲנֶה הַנּוֹשָׁאֵר לְפָלִיטָה"
 (בראשית לב, ט)

"And he (Yaakov) said, 'If Esau comes to one camp and strikes it down, the remaining camp will escape.'" (Bereshit 32, 9)

Rashi comments that "the remaining camp will escape" against its will, for Yacov will wage war against him. Yacov prepared himself for three things: for a gift, for war, and for prayer. For a gift, [as Scripture says] (verse 22): "So the gift passed on before him." For prayer, [as Scripture says] (verse 10): "God of my father Abraham..." For war, [as Scripture says]: "the remaining camp will escape." - [from Tanchuma, Vayishlach 6]

Yaakov prepared himself for a battle with Esav and he knew that he had to attack him with everything that he had. Nevertheless he used certain strategies to overcome the possible scenarios of the confrontation, namely, he sends gifts, splits the people into two camps and prays a special prayer to Hashem.

There are many maneuvers, tactics and strategies that are being taught in all the military academies around the world. One of them is the one used in "Operation Abirey Lev", which was the "grand finale" of the Yom Kipur where the IDF breached the Suez Canal. It was such a surprise to the Egyptian army that after the war, the Egyptian President fired his Chief of the General Staff because he failed to prevent the Israeli attack. During the operation two Israeli divisions crossed the Suez Canal and surrounded the Egyptian army of around 8000 soldiers.

The operation started when a patrol unit from Ariel Sharon's brigade succeeded in finding the gap between two of the Egyptian battalions situated on the other side of the canal. The IDF then initiated a big distraction operation in the Chinese Farm in order to take the focus away from the forces crossing the canal. The distraction operation, unfortunately, resulted in many IDF casualties, but it worked.

The Israeli forces managed to build a bridge over the Suez Canal and to cross it, without the Egyptians even realizing that they were being surrounded.

Eventually there were over 8000 Egyptians soldiers without any supplies, isolated from the rest of the army. After being without water and food, the Egyptians were forced to agree to a cease-fire. Then the Israeli army supplied the Egyptians captives with water and food.

As part of the cease-fire agreement the Israelis and the Egyptians exchanged their respective captives. 294 Israeli captives were returned.

We all pray for the quick release of Gilad Shalit that has now been held captive under brutal conditions since June 25, 2006 at the hands of the Hamas terrorist organization.

Shabbat Shalom, Gil Klempert.



TRIBUTE CARDS

With your donation of \$18.00 or more KTM will send a card to mark the occasion of a birth, anniversary, engagement, marriage, speedy recovery, holiday greetings, birthday, or in memory of.

This week's Daf is sponsored by:

Rochelle and Jeffrey Rein, and family
 to honour the yahrzeit of
 Rochelle's beloved mother,
 Dolly Weintraub, z'l.

18th of Kislev 5770

December 5, 2009

Shabbat Begins: 3:55pm

Shabbat Ends: 5:01pm

Haftara: Obadiah 1:1-21

THE BEIT MIDRASH WILL BE OPEN UNTIL DECEMBER 17, 2009
SHIURIM WILL RESUME JANUARY 4, 2010 (SEE BELOW FOR SHIRIM THIS WEEK)

8:15-9pm

**TUESDAY
DECEMBER 8**

Parashat Hashavua with Rav Yishai Lisner
An in depth look at the weekly parasha using the commentaries of our sages and other Torah commentaries with a special focus on relating these teaching to our daily lives.

NIGHT DAF YOMI with Rabbi Dovid Rothschild
Sunday-Thursday (for men only)

Daily Maariv: Monday-Thursday @ 9pm

9:15-10PM

Individual Study Groups with Kollel Staff
Study groups: Bekiut Gemera, Classic Jewish Philosophy and Halacha. Please call our office to join an existing group. Monday-Thursdays.


WOMEN'S BEIT MIDRASH

Insight into Chanukah with Eddie Shostak
Explore the story and customs of Chanukah using classic commentaries.
TUESDAYS, 9:30am DECEMBER 7 & 14

Tehilim Group
Completion of the entire Book of Tehilim and prayer for those who are ill.
TUESDAY 10:30am & WEDNESDAY 4:00pm

**CARLEBACH
KABBALAT SHABBAT**

Join the BIBA Youth Minyan with
KTM, Bnei Akiva, TBDJ Youth
Minyan, NCSY, and Beth Zion Youth



**SHABBAT MIKETZ-CHANUKAH
December 18, 2009
@ Beth Israel Beth Aaron Chapel**

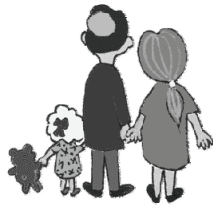
**Mincha begins at 3:55 p.m.
For high-school students (and others)**

**Students in grades 7-8 and grades 9-11
are invited that night for an Oneg Shabbat at BIBA,
hosted by Rabbi Poupko, starting at 8 p.m.
WE LOOK FORWARD IN SEEING YOU ALL THERE!
Thank you to Ami and Aviva Drazin
for sponsoring the Oneg Shabbat**

FAMILY MELAVEH MALKA
Parent-Child Learning Program


Warm up to a full hour of learning, music, treats, prizes and fun.

5 Sessions — Grades 1-6
Motzei Shabbat — 6:15pm
Nov. 7, 14, 21, 28 & Dec. 5




This Week: **"Brachot Carnival"**

Pizza sponsored by the
Hebrew Academy Parents' Association
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**Day to Day Lessons:
Short Fables with Izhak Lauber**



When I did military service in the Shomron area, most of our time was devoted to guarding, patrolling, special missions and of course the kitchen. We did not, therefore, have much free time and we worked really hard.

On one of the patrol missions we drove along the fence that separated the Red Zone, belonging to the Arabs and the Blue Zone, belonging to the Israelis. One night, I was on the roof of a building inside the Red Zone and I saw a molotov cocktail being thrown at the patrol below. Thank G-d, nobody was injured and we continued our patrol listening to the radio to hear if there would be new orders for us. There were no new orders and the patrol was instructed not to do anything about the incident.

I was a confused. Why were we to do nothing? And why didn't they send reinforcements to look for the terrorist? A few days later I spoke with the commander and asked him why he didn't want to do anything? I told him I thought we needed to send somebody to catch that terrorist. I spoke to him as if I was the commander, when in reality I was just in the beginning of my army service.

He responded that there are many things that, as a simple soldier, I don't know and that at that time it was not wise to send any soldiers, it was too risky.


There are many times that I think that I know best, but in the end I am just a simple guy that just doesn't know everything.

Kollel Torah Mitzion has a core faculty of graduates from Hesder Yeshivot in Israel who come here to serve as teachers and role models in our community. The core of the Kollel is the Beit Midrash which features a full schedule of classes as well as a drop-in center with a warm atmosphere where all, regardless of background, feel comfortable.

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