



Young Israel of Sunny Isles Beach

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WEEKLY ANNOUNCEMENTS

Cheshvan 23 - Kislev 1, 5786 | November 14 - 21, 2025

Shabbat Chayei Sarah/Mevarchim HaChodesh

Shabbat Schedule

Friday, November 14		Weekly Davening Schedule	
Candle Lighting	5:13 PM	Shacharit	8:00 AM
Mincha & Kabbalat Shabbat	5:15 PM	Rabbi Haber's Shiur	5:00 PM
Saturday, November 15		Mincha/Maariv	5:15 PM
Shacharit	8:45 AM		
Mincha	5:15 PM	Friday, November 21 - Rosh Chodesh Kislev	
Rabbi Haber's Shiur: "Life Is Beautiful — The Unbelievable Story of Sarah Imeinu"			
Maariv/Shabbat Ends	6:08 PM	Candle lighting next Shabbat	5:11 PM

This week's kiddush is being sponsored by

- **Ruth & Marc Moyal** in memory of their beloved father David ben Mordechi.

Parasha tidbits from the Rabbi

"וַיבֹא אַבְרָהָם לִסְפֹּד לְשָׂרָה וּלְבִכְתָּהּ" (Beresheet 23:2) *"...and Avraham came to mourn for Sarah and to weep for her."*

The Midrash asks: Where did he come from? From Mount Moriah, he came. This was the essence of Avraham's eulogy — that even though he had taken his son Yitzchak to Mount Moriah for the binding (the *Akeidah*), Sarah, his mother, expressed no objection. She gave her full consent, out of her deep love and devotion to Hashem. So too, she raised her only son to be ready to give up his life for Hashem — and to do so with joy. This is the true pride of a Jewish mother. **"וַיֵּאכְלוּ וַיִּשְׁתּוּ הוּא"**

"וְהָאֲנָשִׁים אֲשֶׁר-עִמּוֹ" (Beresheet 24:54) *"And they ate and drank, he and the men who were with him."* We learn here of Avraham's powerful influence upon those who worked for him. Eliezer and the men who accompanied him ate only from the food that Eliezer had brought with him — kosher food — for they did not wish to partake of the food prepared by Lavan. To this very day, we take pride in this legacy — that the laws of kashrut continue to be faithfully observed by righteous Jews throughout the world.

שבת שלום ומבורך / Shabbat Shalom!

Save the Date

- **Sunday, December 21** - Hanukkah Dinner, 6:00 PM in the Social Hall.

Parasha Thought from Rabbi Arthur Kirsch z"l

Eliezer asks the *Ribono Shel Olam* to “do *chesed im adoni Avraham*” — kindness with my master Avraham. The *Ba'al HaTurim* (1269–1340, Germany–Spain) writes that the final letters of the phrase “**im adoni Avraham**” — *mem, yud, mem* — spell the word **mayim** (water). Avraham gave water to the angels (*melachim*), and then, if you look carefully at the letters of *chesed im adoni Avraham*, you will find that they also form the word **damim** (blood). This alludes to the *Akeidah* — the Binding of Yitzchak. At first glance, it might seem as though the *Akeidah* is treated almost as an afterthought in this context. Which, then, was greater — the *Akeidah* or the giving of water? The answer is that the *Akeidah* was indeed greater, as it created **zechuyot** (merits). However, the act of giving water is described as **zechér** — a remembrance. The giving of water represents *chesed* — an act of kindness *bein adam lechavero* (between one person and another). The *Akeidah*, on the other hand, is an act *bein adam laMakom* (between man and Hashem). Therefore, when one seeks Hashem's kindness or favor, it is even more powerful to perform an act of *chesed bein adam lechavero* — kindness between people. Do a *chesed* for someone — and Hashem will “owe you one.”

Shul Notes

- Thank you to the volunteers who organized the Shabbat kiddush.
- **Shabbat Group for Children:** We are offering a morning Shabbat group for our children. The group starts at 9:30 AM and concludes after davening. It is fully supervised, and we hope you will bring your children for a fun and learning experience. Please bring the children to the Social Hall.
- **New Payment Option Available!** We are excited to inform you that our shul now accepts payments via Zelle! This convenient option allows you to make contributions, pay dues, and support our shul with ease. To make a payment, simply use the following email address: youngisraelofsib@bellsouth.net.
- **To Sponsor a Kiddush:** Anyone wishing to sponsor a Kiddush should notify the office (the earlier, the better). Do you have a family simcha or any special occasion you'd like to include in the bulletin? Please notify the office by Thursday.
- For any questions regarding kashrut, the eruv and other halachic issues contact Rabbi Haber.

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Let's get together for refreshments and discussion
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By Lisa Jewell

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