

Rabbi Meir M. Haber

# Young Israel of Sunny Isles Beach



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### WEEKLY ANNOUNCEMENTS

# Shabbat Toldot Shabbat Schedule

Friday, November 21		Weekly Davening Schedule	
Candle Lighting	5:11 PM	Shacharit	8:00 AM
Mincha & Kabbalat Shabbat	5:15 PM	Rabbi Haber's Shiur	5:00 PM
Saturday, November 22		Mincha/Maariv	5:15 PM
Shacharit	8:45 AM		
Mincha	5:15 PM		
Rabbi Haber's Shiur: "Wicked Esau: The Story of a Struggling Child"			
Maariv/Shabbat Ends (Kiddush Levana)	6:06 PM	Candle lighting next Shabbat	5:10 PM

#### This week's kiddush is being sponsored by

• Judy & Moshe Mann in honor of the Bar Mitzvah of their grandson, Simon Mann.

## Parasha tidbits from the Rabbi

"... Rivka, the daughter of Bethuel the Aramean, of Padan-aram, the sister of Laban the Aramean..." Rabbi Yitzchak said: If the Torah simply wants to tell us that Rivka was from Aram Naharayim, is it not already stated that she was from Padan-Aram? Why, then, does the Torah emphasize "the daughter of Bethuel the Aramean" and "the sister of Laban the Aramean"? Rather, the Torah comes to teach us that her father was a deceiver, her brother was a deceiver, and the people of her city were deceivers—for the word Arami (Aramean) can be read as ramai (רמאי), meaning "deceiver." This righteous woman, who emerged from an environment filled with dishonesty and corruption, grew to become one of our four holy matriarchs. To what may she be compared? A rose among thorns. May the virtues and kindness of our Mother Rivka serve as an inspiration and example for all of us to strive to emulate.

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

The pasuk teaches that Eisav took two wives from among the Chitim. This was deeply disturbing to both Yitzchak and Rivka, yet the Torah's wording suggests that it troubled **Yitzchak** even more than **Rivka**. The reason is that Yitzchak had never witnessed idolatry within a home, whereas Rivka had grown up surrounded by it. Although her exposure occurred some sixty years earlier, it still lessened the shock for her compared with Yitzchak's experience. A story is told of a great Torah leader who arrived in America and, upon seeing someone publicly desecrating Shabbos, fainted from distress. We, however, see such things regularly and barely react. Likewise, children exposed to television violence witness scenes of murder again and again and quickly become desensitized. Tragically, the murder rates in our society are staggering—yet we take it all in stride.

#### **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: <a href="mailto:youngisraelofsib@bellsouth.net">youngisraelofsib@bellsouth.net</a>.
- 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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