

Young Israel of Sunny Isles Beach

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WEEKLY ANNOUNCEMENTS

Shabbat Vayera

Shabbat Schedule

Friday, November 7		Weekly Davening Schedule	
Candle Lighting	5:16 PM	Shacharit	8:00 AM
Mincha & Kabbalat Shabbat	5:15 PM	Rabbi Haber's Shiur	5:00 PM
Saturday, November 8		Mincha/Maariv	5:15 PM
Shacharit	8:45 AM		
Mincha	5:15 PM		
Rabbi Haber's Shiur: "Give a Smile, Not Only Food: The Shocking Message of Avraham Avinu"			
Maariv/Shabbat Ends	6:10 PM	Candle lighting next Shabbat	5:13 PM

This week's kiddush is being sponsored by

• Ruth & Michael Kolb in memory of Michael's beloved father Samuel E. Kolb - Ezra ben Chaim Dovid.

Mazal Tov

• Harriet & Jack Feintuch on the birth of a great-grandson.

Save the Date

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

Parasha tidbits from the Rabbi

"אבָרָא אַלְיוֹ הּ"" (Beresheet 18:1) "And the L-rd appeared to him." Likkutei Sichos points out the following: The verse states, "And He appeared to him," without specifying to whom. It does not say, "And the L-rd appeared to Avraham." Had it said "to Avraham," one might have thought that the Holy One, Blessed be He, visited the sick only in Avraham's case, because of his exalted spiritual level—and that we could not learn from this about visiting an ordinary person who is ill. Therefore, the Torah writes simply, "And He appeared to him," to teach that one should visit a sick person regardless of his holiness or social status. If G-d Himself can do it, then surely we should do it too. May we take to heart the tremendously important mitzvah of bikur cholim—visiting the sick and infirm—and through this merit the coming of Moshiach, speedily and in our days. Amen.

שבת שלום ומבורך Shabbat Shalom!

Parasha Thought from Rabbi Arthur Kirsch z"l

The malachim save Lot and his family from Sodom and Amorah, giving them only one directive: "Do not look back." Rashi explains that Lot was told not to look back at what was happening because, in truth, he should have perished there as well. It was only in the merit of Avraham that he was saved. Rabbi Dr. Avraham Twerski, zt"l, in his sefer on the Torah, offers a powerful psychological insight: Do not look back at your past aveiros (sins)—because that is exactly what the Yetzer Hara wants you to do. The Yetzer Hara tries to convince you that you are unworthy of repentance. You might think, "How can someone like me do teshuvah?" But the word "V'atah" ("and now")—with an ayin—is a reference to teshuvah. It teaches us that only the now is important. HaKadosh Baruch Hu will help you if you truly want to return to Him, because in His eyes, it is only the present that matters.

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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