

Kiddush this Shabbos is co-sponsored by Eve and Dennis Rosen in honor of the birth of their daughter, Chaya Malka and by Susan and Sid Laytin to commemorate the yartzeit of Sid's father, Meir ben Shlomo.

### YIML Cookbook

YIML proudly presents our very own COOKBOOK. Please submit recipes to Ilana Buchbinder (<u>ijl927@aol.com</u>) or Shani Daniel (<u>shani314@yahoo.com</u>). Sponsorships are available at \$36, \$54, \$72 and \$180. The success of this cookbook depends on you!

## **Chevra Mishnayos**

The Chevra Mishanyos has started learning Seder Zeraim. Please sign up by putting your name on the sign-up sheet on the bulletin board or speak with Moshe Eisenberg.

#### New Women's Shiur

Rabbi Steinberg is giving a new women's Sefer Shmuel Bais Shiur on Wednesday nights at 8:15 at YIML. You can join the shiur at any time. There will be a brief recap at the beginning of each shiur of the previous week's shiur. (Bring your own text, if you have.)

#### Mazel Tov to...

... Rabbi and Mrs. Lichtenstein and Family on the birth of a granddaughter.

#### Thank You

Thank you to R & R Produce for donating a large container of herring to the shul.

### Rabbi Steinberg's Book

Rabbi Steinberg's recently published book of drashos is available for purchase at YIML for the reduced price of \$15.

## B'nos of Bala Cynwyd

B'nos of Bala Cynwyd will meet this Shabbos at Lower Merion Synagogue from 3:30-4:30 p.m. Additionally, B'nos birthday parties are here! Special treats, fun, and games for the birthday girl and the whole group! Please call Miriam Ciner or Rivka Levy for more information.

All submissions, suggestions, sponsorships, and advertisements should be directed to Moshe Eisenberg, creator of this Weekly Update.

# Young Israel of the Main Line Weekly Update

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Parshas Noach

פרשת נח

# **Shabbos Davening Times**

Candle lighting:	5:48 p.m.
Mincha - Friday:	5:50 p.m.
Shacharis:	8:45 a.m.
Sof Zman Krias Shema:	10:05 a.m.
Mincha followed by Shalosh Seudos:	5:35 p.m.
Maariv:	6:49 p.m.

# Weekday Davening Times

Shacharis- Sunday:	8:00 a.m.
Mincha- Sunday:	5:45 p.m.
Shacharis- Mon, Thurs:	6:40 a.m.
Shacharis- Tues, Wed, Fri:	6:50 a.m.
Maariv (Mon-Thurs):	7:45 p.m.

There will not be weekday Mincha until the Spring.

# **Next Shabbos Davening Times**

Candle lighting: 4:39 p.m. Mincha - Friday: 4:40 p.m.

### **Scholar in Residence Shabbaton**

Save the Date: Shabbos Lech Lecha (Nov. 3-4), **Rav Dovid Kaplan** of Yeshivas Ohr Sameach, Eretz Yisroel, will be visiting our community. There will be an oneg Friday night at the home of Stan and Jillyan Sved, at which Rabbi Kaplan will speak on, "Hashgacha Pratis." On Shabbos, Rabbi Kaplan will deliver a drasha in Shul, and then there will be a luncheon at which he will speak on the topic of, "Chinuch." More details to come soon.

## **New Members**

We welcome the newcomers who have joined our community! Please be sure to sign up to receive our Shul e-mail updates by visiting our website: www.viml.org (click on "mailing list".)



# Shiurim\*



DAY	TIME	TOPIC	SPEAKER	NOTES
Shabbos	8:15 a.m.	Parshas Hashavua	Rabbi Steinberg	
Shabbos	45 minutes before Mincha	Michtav me'Eliyahu	Rabbi Steinberg	
Shabbos	Between Mincha & Maariv	Medical Ethics Chabura	Dr. Daniel Eisenberg	Topic: Lifnei Iver
Sunday Morning	After Davening	Sefer Hachinuch	Moshe Buchbinder	
Mon., Wed.	Before Mincha	Mishna Berura	Eli Back	
	es before on SunFri.	Chovos Halevovos	Rabbi Steinberg	
Monday	9:30 a.m.	Women's Tehillim Group		
Tuesday	8:00 p.m.	Gemora Kesuvos First Perek	Rabbi Steinberg	
Wednesday	8:15 p.m.	Sefer Shmuel Bais	Rabbi Steinberg	Shiur for Women
Thursday night	10:15 p.m.	Nefesh Hachaim	Rav Sholom Kamenetsky	

<sup>\*</sup>All shiurim are at YIML unless specified.

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# Not Just Despite, But Because of...

By Rabbi Yaakov Menken

"These are the generations of Noach: Noach was a righteous man, he was pure in his generation; Noach walked *with G-d.*" [6:9]

As Rashi points out, the Torah's careful emphasis upon Noach having been pure "in his generation" is the subject of a dispute in the Talmud [Sanhedrin 108a]. Reish Lakish explains this in a very positive way -- that Noach was righteous even though he lived in a very lowly generation, and had Noach lived among other righteous individuals, he would have been still greater. Rebbe Yochanon, however, casts this in a negative light -- that Noach was righteous according to his generation, but had he lived in a generation such as that of our forefather Abraham, he would not have been considered anything special.

Rabbi Yosef Yoizel Horowitz asks: considering that the Torah is busy complimenting Noach, why should we explain this as a negative? What do we need this for? "He was a righteous man, and he walked with G-d. But you should know, he wasn't really that great. I mean, considering his generation he was terrific -- but if he'd lived in Abraham's generation? Ach... nothing special!" It sounds like the original backhanded compliment.

Rav Horowitz explains, however, that Rebbe Yochanon is telling us that Noach was righteous because of his generation. Noach reacted when he saw the evil and immoral behavior around him, and he perceived an obligation to rise above it. He strengthened himself and resisted the path of his generation to the Nth degree, rising to become pure and righteous. Had he lived in the generation of Abraham, surrounded by Abraham and his followers, then that which inspired him to become so great would not have existed, and he would have never been so inspired.

When we see immorality around us, he concludes, this must motivate us all the more to purity and righteous behavior! And if he said this one hundred years ago, we can only imagine what he would say today...

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