

YOUNG ISRAEL OF THE MAIN LINE

Weekly Update

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Rosh haShanah

ראש השנה

September 12-14—כ"ט אלול--ב' תשרי

Eruv Tavshilin!

Candle lighting - Wednesday:	6:58pm
Mincha - Wednesday:	7:00pm
Shacharis - both days:	8:00am
Mincha - Thursday:	6:50pm
Candle lighting - Thursday:	7:59pm

For complete schedule see:

<http://www.chaseplanet.us/dchase/yiml/yomtovSched2007.pdf>

Parshas Ha'Azinu

פרשת האזינו

Shabbos Shuvah

שבת שובה

September 14-15—ג' תשרי תשס"ח

Shabbos Davening Times

Candle lighting:	6:55pm
Mincha - Friday:	6:50pm
Sof Zman Krias Shema:	9:49am
Shacharis:	8:45am
Mincha followed by Droscha:	6:50pm
Maariv:	7:56pm

Next Week Davening Times

For complete schedule, including slichos and Yom Kippur, see:
<http://www.chaseplanet.us/dchase/yiml/yomtovSched2007.pdf>

Calendar of Shiurim

DAY	TIME	TOPIC	SPEAKER	NOTES
Shabbos	7:55am-8:15am	Parsha Chabura	D. Dorman	ROTATES
Shabbos	8:15am	Parsha Etymology	R. Steinberg	
Shabbos	6:05pm	Minchas Chinuch Shiur	R. Steinberg	OFF WEEK
Shabbos	After Mincha	Medical Halacha	D. Eisenberg	OFF WEEK
Sunday	After Shacharis	Sefer Hachinuch	M. Buchbinder	
Mon., Wed.	Before Mincha	Mishna Berura	Eli Back	
Sun.-Fri.	15 min. before Shacharis	Chovos haLevovos	R. Steinberg	
Thursday	10:10pm	Nefesh Hachaim	Rav Sholom Kamenetsky	Resumes in Oct.

*All shiurim are at YIML unless specified.

THIS SHABBOS

Kiddush and Shalosh Seudos:

Kiddush is community sponsored.

Bnos of Bala Cynwyd will IY"YH meet this week from 3:45pm to 4:45pm at LMS.

Parsha Shiur:

Rabbi Steinberg will speak this Shabbos morning at 8:15am on *Shiras Haazinu according to the Sforno*.

MAZEL TOV

Mazel Tov to Adina & Miles Spiller on the birth of a baby girl Monday afternoon! Baruch Hashem, mother and baby are doing well.

Mazel Tov to Bobby & Galitte Den on the bris of Shlomo Michael.

All submissions, suggestions, and sponsorships should be directed (by Wednesday evening) to the editor of the Weekly Update, פלוני בן פלוני (weeklyupdate@yiml.org).

COMING EVENTS

Save the Date—Sunday of Chol Hamoed:

The YIML—Beth Hamedrosh joint Simchas Bais Hashoeva will be held in Beth Hamedrosh's new shul building. Everyone is encouraged to join in the dancing, singing and divrei Torah at this communal simchas haChag.

The time and location of the second Shofar Blowing will be announced during davening.

ONGOING EVENTS

Chevra Mishnayos:

The Chevra Mishnayos is now learning Seder Tohoros. See the shul bulletin board to sign up.

Women's Tehillim Group:

The Women's Tehillim Group meets Mondays at 9:45am at 345 Bala Ave.

Are you on our e-mail list?

To subscribe to the shul mailing list, send a message to majordomo@chaseplanet.us with the following in the message body (all one line): `subscribe yiml YOUR-EMAIL`

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D'VAR TORAH by Rabbi Beryl Wein

Moshe's great song which is the parsha of this week demands that there be listening and not just hearing. The word *haazinu* means more than hearing; it means to pay attention and listen intently. And though Moshe is speaking to "heaven and earth" it is clear from the contents of his song that he is speaking to us. And therefore his words deserve more than a perfunctory hearing from us.

In Jewish tradition, children committed this parsha to memory at a very early age, for the song contains the entire Jewish story. It has many nuances. Just like a great symphonic composition requires intensive listening in order to appreciate, so too does this song of Moshe. We live in a world that is bombarded with incessant sound. Perhaps that is why there is very little true listening that goes on. We are too busy hearing so there is no capacity for true listening. It may very well be that this is why Jewish children committed this song to memory so that when their attention span increased with years and experience, they would be truly able to listen to the song that they once only heard and memorized.

Listening to one another is the key to a successful marriage, to raising children, to teaching and interacting with other people. It is also the key to understanding Torah and appreciating the glorious subtleties and nuances of Judaism. In short, the key to being a sophisticated Jew is the ability to listen. Judaism is not meant to be merely background noise or even soothing atmosphere inducing music.

The song of *Haazinu* itself details the travails that will engulf Israel in its long journey through history. It unerringly predicts the weaknesses and follies that Israel exhibits and the ensuing problems and calamities that follow such behavior. But the song ends on a note of soaring hope. God will not forsake the Jewish people or the Land of Israel. The enemies of Israel will all eventually be thwarted in their ambitions to destroy the eternal people. And the Jewish people itself will, as a national entity, recognize its uniqueness and uphold its end of the covenant entered into with God at Sinai, which was then renewed in the desert by Moshe before his death.

The prediction of troubles, no matter how accurate it may be, make this a difficult song to truly listen to. Yet it has been these very troubles and adversity that the Jewish people have faced that have strengthened us, renewed our faith, spurred our creative genius and enabled us to have such an enormous and disproportionate influence in world affairs and civilization.

Our success in survival and creativity is directly traceable to our ability to listen to the song of Moshe. It has thus become part of us and as such we are confident that the salvation that the end of the song depicts is certain and not far off. When we hear the song read this week on Shabat in the synagogue we will certainly listen to it with our innermost soul and being. It is Moshe's great gift to us.

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