



קליהל קהילה



The weekly newsheet of Clayhall United Synagogue

Shabbos 11 August 2007/ 27 Menachem Av 5767

Service Times (Shabbos Mevarachim)

Shacharis	9.00 am
Minchah followed by Seudah	7.55 pm
Ma'ariv & Shabbos ends	9.24 pm
Shabbos next week	7.30 pm

We welcome back **Rev Shlomo Kreiman** who is leyning today. The Board of Management Task groups have been working hard to produce events and programmes during 5768. There are details inside of the various Education activities that the Shul will be organising. Another area to be reviewed and re-developed is the Clayhall website which has remained in its current format from its inception. The Children and Young People task group met last week and discussed many ideas for outings as well as new incentives to encourage more young people to attend Shul.

Don't forget that the **Essex Ellul Programme** begins on Monday 3rd September. Full details will be sent out shortly but there is a small taster of the two-week programme inside.

Torah Reading

Sedrah synopsis:

Leyning: Re'eh

Hertz p 799, Soncino p 1055

Haftorah:

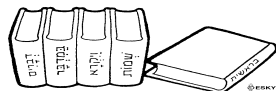
Hertz p 818, Soncino p 1076

Victor Shafier

Rev Shlomo Kreiman

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If you would like to sponsor the *Clayhall Kehilla* for just £15, please speak to Michelle



This week's Clayhall Kehilla has been kindly sponsored by Alice and Bernard Walters on the occasion of their anniversary

Children's & Youth Service

Reception - Year 6

10.30 am – 11.30 am

Year 7 - Year 11

10.30 am - 11.30 am

Weekday Services

Shacharis: Monday to Friday, 7.00 am. Sunday @ 8.15 am.

Minchah: 1.45 pm, Monday to Thursday.

Minchah & Ma'ariv: 7.30 pm, Tuesday and Wednesday.

Sunday breakfasts: 19th August & 9 September.

Children & Young People

Many ideas were discussed at the recent task group meeting including the re-introduction of the monthly birthday Kiddushim and a Shabbos club to run on a Shabbos afternoon as preparation before the start of B'nei Akiva. More details will be available soon but it is expected to begin the club on Shabbos 13th October. A tour of Wembley Stadium is planned for Thursday 21st February 2007.

Hebrew Reading Help?

Rabbi Wilson is exploring the possibility of running another 6-week Hebrew reading crash course in November and December. Please let the Shul office know if you are interested. You really can learn to read Hebrew in just 6 weeks if you put in the effort! Rabbi Wilson is also hoping to run a series of explanatory services with a special Kiddush during November and December as well as a three-part lecture series in early 2008. It looks like being a very busy few months.

Future Education events

There are many exciting events and activities in the making for 2007/08. Aside from the Essex Ellul Programme, our annual **Succos Party** - Simchas Beis Ha'Shoeva takes place on **Sunday 30 September 2007** at 8.00 pm in the Shul Succah with live music and sumptuous desserts! Clayhall's brilliant Melava Malka is scheduled for Saturday evening **17th November** with a great speaker and musical entertainment. We celebrate Chanukah with a family day on **Sunday 9th December**. This includes a full children and youth programme and an evening meal. Our first Friday night dinner for some time will take place on **Friday 15th February 2008**. Book these dates now!

Clayhall's 100 Club

Ticket sales for the 100 Club are going very well but more places are available. Forms were sent out recently and tickets are just £10 each. There are two draws each year - Rosh Hashanah and Pesach - with a top prize of **£150** and two runners-up prizes of **£50** each. It's a great way to raise extra money for the Shul.

Pre-High Holy Day Programme

The Rabbinical Council of NE London together with Jewish Care present the 2007 Pre-High Holydays Programme. This year the format is slightly different with individual Shuls hosting their own programme. The number of sessions have been more than halved with seven speakers talking over four evenings. The event kicks off on Monday 3 September at Ilford Federation where **Rabbi Mordechai Ginsbury** of Hendon Synagogue will be "Making the most of the 'Aweful' Days." The following night, **Rabbi Yitzchak Shochet** of Mill Hill will be speaking at the Chabad Lubavitch Centre on "The Three T's: Working Your Way Back Into G-d's Heart" while on the same evening, **Dayan Shmuel Simons** will be addressing "The Art of Repentance" at Boundary Road Shul. Clayhall hosts **Rabbi Harvey Belovski** on Wednesday 5 September while **Rabbi Yehudah Silver** will speak at Ilford United. On Thursday 6th September, **Dayan Shmuel Simons** talks again at Chigwell Shul while **Rabbi Yaacov Hammer** will speak at Wanstead & Woodford Shul. More details soon.

*Speed Learning:
9 Rabbis, 18 minutes.
Your Choice...
Coming here soon*

Functions News

There will be a Family Fun Quiz on Sunday 28th October. Tickets are £12.50 each to include a fish supper. On Sunday 17th December, the Ladies Guild are holding their annual dinner open to everyone. The guest speaker is **Malcolm Singer**, Director at the Yehudi Menuhin School of Music. Tickets are £17.50 per person. A brochure is also being produced for this event. Put these dates in your diary.

Selichos Service

The NEROS Selichos Service takes place on Saturday night **8th September** at Clayhall United Synagogue. The Shul is very honoured to be hosting the event for the second time. The guest Chazan is **Edwin Ross** who hails from a Northern city called Manchester, while the guest speaker is none other than a fellow Mancunian, **Rabbi Nissan Wilson**. As the host Shul, we hope that members will support the Service. A delicious reception commences at 10.45 pm followed by the Service at 11.30 pm.

Yomim Noraim

Please don't forget to send back your ticket applications and Memorial Forms as soon as possible to the Shul office. We are running a special appeal this year and details are printed on the form.

Rosh Chodesh

Rosh Chodesh Ellul is this Tuesday & Wednesday, 14th and 15th August. Shacharis on both days will be at the slightly earlier time of 6.45 am. From 15th August, the Shofar will be blown each morning straight after Shacharis as a reminder that we must engage in *Teshuvah*.

***"...do what is good and right in the eyes of G-d."
(Devarim 12:28)***

It seems rather obvious for Moshe, the leader of the Jewish people, to tell his followers to do what is right in the eyes of G-d. But this really isn't as much of a rhetorical statement as one might think. We live in a society where we care enormously about what **other people** think about us. Whether you're aware of it or not, the things you say, the clothes you wear, and the places you shop are influenced largely by the perception you want to give to others. This is precisely why in public we might act one way towards someone, but in private - outside the watchful eyes of those we so much want to impress - we will act in a completely different way.

When Moshe told the Jews to *do what is good and right in the eyes of G-d*, he was teaching us all a life-changing insight: G-d is everywhere. He's right next to you as you're reading this. And He "follows" you when you walk to your car, and He sits right next to you at work. There isn't a cubic foot of space in which G-d is not completely and totally present and aware of everything this is being said and done. Remember, when it comes to G-d's presence, there's no such thing as privacy. G-d is always right there. In New York City's Time Square there exists a massive television screen called the JumboTron. Thousands of people - some as far as 20 city blocks away - can see whatever images are displayed on this screen. What if you lived your life as though it was being shown live on the JumboTron? How much different would you act if everything you did was being broadcast in real-time on this giant screen?

But that's exactly the powerful message that G-d's teaching us. We **are** on this screen and G-d is observing everything. So instead of doing what looks right in the eyes of your co-workers and friends, listen to the words of Moses. Concern yourself with impressing the One who truly wants you to become great and strive *to do what is good and right in the eyes of G-d*.

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