



**November 28, 2015 16 Kislev 5776**  
**Parshat Vayishlach**

**ZMANIM (YOUR MINHAG MAY VARY)**

**Shkiah:** 5:29 PM  
**Shabbos Ends:** 6:05 PM  
**Candle Lighting (next week Vayeishev):** 5:11 PM

**NEWS AND EVENTS**

**Thank You To The CONGREGATION SUKKAT DAVID Sepharadi Congregation of Cooper City – Florida And Rabbi Michael Abitbol For Generously Opening The Door To Us For This Weeks Shabbaton In Cooper City. For Our 9th Through 11th Graders. And To Rabbi Bukspan For supervising the Shabbaton.**

**Thank You To Congregation Shaaray Tefilah, And Rabbi Ephraim Shapiro For Generously Opening The Door To Us For This Weeks Shabbaton In North Miami Beach, For Our 12th Graders And Post High School Bochorim.**

**Thank You To Rabbi And Mrs. Cash For Hosting The Shabbos Seudos.**

**Thank You To Rabbi And Mrs. Berkman For The Friday Night Oneg.**

**Thank You To The People For Hosting Bochorim This Week.**

**Thank You To Rabbi And Mrs. Berger For Hosting Bochorim And For Hosting Shalosh Seudos.**

**Rabbi Daniel Behar is now giving a shiur every night at 8:15 in the Doresh Beis Medrash on Halachos of Chanukah.**

**Rabbi Cash is now offering a daily shiur on Gemara Megillah every night at 8:15 in the Doresh Beis Medrash.**

**Rabbi Josh Behar is now giving a weekly shiur every Tuesday night at 8:15 in the Doresh Beis Medrash on the Parsha.**

**Coming Soon Gedale Fensters shiur on Breslev Chassidus in the Breslev Center. More Info TBA.**

**Rabbi Salfer is now offering a weekly shiur (for men) on the topic of relationships, with a focus on those between men and women. The basis of the shiur is a discussion of the Biblical foundation of each of the gender characteristics of men and women. For those who want to know why men will be men and women will be women, this shiur is for you. Held every Thursday, 8:00 PM, at Beit David Highland Lakes Shul.**



**How Important Is The Study Of Torah:**

By Rabbi Levi Cash

This week's portion teaches that, "Yaakov was left alone, and a 'man' wrestled with him until the break of dawn." The Midrash in Bereishis Rabbah identifies the attacker as the guardian angel of Esav, and the Tanchuma identifies him by his name Sama'el. Rabbi Elchonon Wasserman asks the following question, "why is it that this angel waited for Yaakov to attack he could have picked on the Zeida Avraham or the father Yitzhak?" Rabbi Wasserman gives the following answer, "Hashem can forgive even the three cardinal sins but he does not forgive the sin of not learning Torah. Avraham embodies the concept of kindness, Yitzhak represents the concept of holy works and Yaakov represents the study of Torah. In Kedushin 30b we are taught that the antidote to the yetzer harah is the study of Torah. Therefore, when the Jewish people are lacking in their Torah study then we are surrendering the battle to the yetzer harah and heaven forbid to the Greeks of Chanukah long ago.

By the Seder we invite all who are hungry to join us either we have guests with us or we helped to provide for others the necessities in order for them to have a seder. If we do not there is something lacking in our observance. The same is true when it comes to Jewish education. When it comes to students who need a different approach to learning often as a community we come up short. Yeshivas Doresh is a Jewish institution that believes all students must be given the tools to fight the Yetzer Harah in their lives.

**Water from the Stone**

*Yoseph Ve'Rochel – Yoseph and Rochel. According to Rashi what does that mean?*

*(Stone Chumash, Bereishis 33:7)*

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## Mishmar With Shlomo Schwartz

By Naftali Zuckerbrod (Detroit, MI)

This past Thursday we had a mishmar with Shlomo Schwartz. He sang and played his guitar with us. Abie Gornish also played the guitar. During mishmar there was cholent for everyone that A.C. Steier made. It was an incredible experience.

Thank you Shlomo and Abie for playing the guitar and thank you A.C. Steier for the delicious cholent.

## Motzoi Shabbos With Mr. Coifman

By Avraham Salz (Lakewood, NJ)

This past Motzoi Shabbos we had Mr. Bernardo Coifman come speak to us. Rabbi Bukspan also came to hear the speech as Mr. Coifman is his chavrusa. While he spoke, we had a Melave Malka with hot dogs, courtesy of Rafi Bausk. Thank you to Mr. Coifman for coming and speaking to us, and thank you Rabbi Bukspan for arranging this event. Thank you to Rafi for the hotdogs.



## Tikkun Haklali Olami

By Editorial Staff

This past Sunday the Yeshiva went to the Breslev center to participate in a worldwide Tikkun Haklali Olami event at the Kotel. The event was led by world renowned chazzan Yechiel Nahari. It started at 8PM (Israel time) and 1PM (EST). At 1 o'clock, we started saying Tikkun Haklali with over 1 million people worldwide, for a half hour. After we finished, we all looked at the live hookup to the Kotel, on Rabbi Behar's computer. While watching the live hookup we saw David Assoulin who came to speak to the bochurim last year. He was sitting next to Rabbi Shalom Arush and standing in front of Rabbi Eli Mansour. We then saw Rabbi Yaakov Ades say Shema Yisroel before heading back to Yeshiva.

Thank you to Rabbi Zaidenberg and Rabbi Behar for making this happen at the Breslev center and thank you to David Assoulin and Chaim Rozgonyi and everyone else who sponsored and helped organize this inspiring event.



## Generations Of Israel

By Aryeh Marder (Lakewood, NJ)

This past Sunday, for the second year in a row, Yeshivas Doresh and generations of Israel partnered for another amazing event. It started with food prepared by Abie Gornish, Reuven Mussafi, Elchonon Skolnik, Yosef Benjamin, and a few others including myself. I made a delicious salad that was a big hit. Soon after the food was prepared and set up, the Israelis arrived. We all greeted them as they were coming in. We started the event with the amazing meal consisting of hotdogs, burgers, wings, sub sandwiches (made by Abie and Elchonon) and French fries. After the meal both Rabbi Abrams and Mrs. Salfer gave speeches about Israel. After they were done speaking, we all had a lively kumzits. We had Abie playing the drums and Heshy playing the keyboard. We also had the amazing opportunity to perform and sing Yerushalayim Shel Zahav. Abie Gornish harmonized the words as I



sang and it was a big success. Everyone had a great time singing and dancing. The event got even better when Yosef Benjamin, myself and the other Doresh guys jumped into Rabbi Salfer's pool. We all danced and sang in the pool while the others continued to play instruments and sing. After an amazing kumzits and a lot of excitement we went to have dessert. For dessert we had mint brownies, cakes and pies. After all this was done we benched, davened maariv, said our thank yous and goodbyes. We then went back to our dorms for the rest of the evening.

Many Many Thanks to Rabbi Kook and the Israelis for coming to this event and to Abie Gornish, Reuven Mussafi, Elchonon Skolnik, Yosef Benjamin and the rest of the Doresh guys for making the food and setting up. Of course, many many thanks to Rabbi and Mrs. Salfer for organizing and planning this event at their house.

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# What Was Happening At This Time Last Year In Yeshiva.



## Our Trip to Barbados

By Yosef Benjamin (Crown Heights, NY)

This past Thursday evening (**November 27, 2014**), our Rosh Yeshiva, Rabbi Dr. Mordechai Salfer, came over to me, telling me that somebody wanted to make a *minyan*...in Barbados! He said that a Chabad *shliach* was away from the island, and he needed a minyan for a man, whose 50th birthday was coming up. He asked me to get seven other guys to come with us to help make the minyan. We picked up some menorahs to hand out on the island, as well as a *sefer torah*, and left early the following Sunday morning.

After landing later that day, we went straight to our hotel, in Holetown, right off the Carribean Sea. We met the man, davened *mincha-maariv*, had a delicious dinner of turkey and baloney sandwiches, and then went to our rooms for the night.

Next morning, we got up at 7 AM to go swimming in the hotel pool. At 7:45, we got dressed and showered before heading to the minyan at 8:00 in my room with the man and the other Doresh guys. After that, we went shopping for food and utensils and visited the local beaches in Speightstown off the Carribean Sea. We met back at the hotel for *mincha-maariv* and a barbecue chicken dinner before heading to the beach for a *shiur* by Rabbi Salfer.

The next day, by *shacharis*, we met another Jewish businessman who was in Barbados for business. We went to Bridgetown, which was the center of Barbados' Jewish community that immigrated there to escape the Spanish Inquisition. We visited the Nidhe Israel Synagogue, a combination museum, shul, and *beis kevaros* completed in 1654, whose name translates to "Synagogue for the Scattered of Israel". We learned that the Jews in Barbados were highly successful in the sugar industry until the British passed a mandate forbidding them to have more than one slave, causing much of the population to leave. This, combined with the shul's destruction by a hurricane in 1831, caused the community to die out. The last remaining Jews sold it to a non-Jew in 1929, who sold the parts to a Sephardi shul in Philadelphia and the British Museum. Barbados was barren of Jews until World War II, when many Jews fled to there from Europe.

At the shul, we met a non-Jewish *shamesh*, who took me out the back way to avoid the graves (I'm a *kohen*), and brought all of us to Benny Gilbert's office, across from Barbados' parliament building. We gave him one of our menorahs, and he told us that he was the Consul General of Israel in Barbados, one of thirty Israeli consuls in the Carribean and Latin America. He told us about his other job working in real estate, his family history, and all the details about the shul and its *beis kevaros*.



The *beis kevaros* had originally belonged to a non-Jew after the shul was sold. In the '60s, the non-Jew removed some of the kevarim to build a road through it, as he planned to turn the former shul into a warehouse. He died shortly afterward, and his children were terrified of continuing their father's work. They contracted the property out to the Jewish community for a quarter a year (later nothing) through a man named Paul Altman, who was Benny's uncle. In 1986, their family then obtained permission from the Barbadian Prime Minister to restore the building to its former function as a shul. While renovating, they went to a governor's house and stumbled onto a pair of wooden *luchos* hidden in the wall by the governor's swimming pool, and reclaimed it with permission from the Prime Minister's wife. Benny also told us that they had found at another dignitary's house a clock from the 1600s

that had belonged to the shul. It was a one-week wind-up clock, lasting from Shabbos to Shabbos, and the shul still uses it today. He told us that today that there are currently 60 Jews in Barbados. After he finished speaking, we sang "*V'Zakeini*" with him, and the original "*Yedid Nefesh*" niggun on his request.

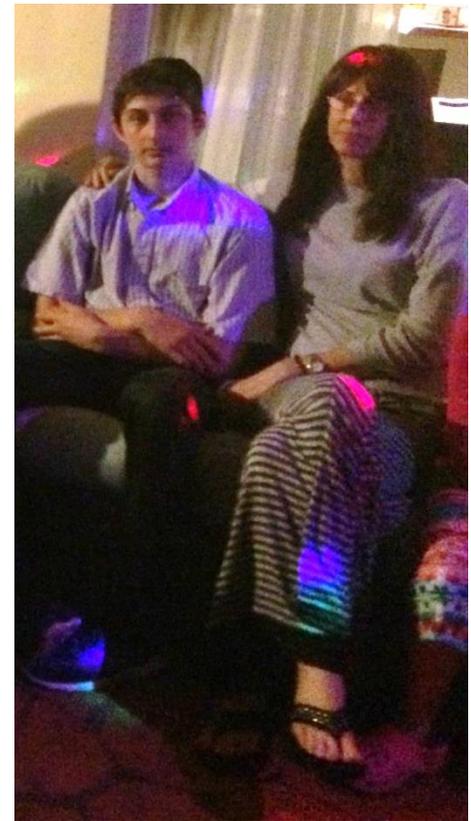
After we left Mr. Gilbert, we went to a local diamond district to participate in a Chabad *mitzoyim* by giving out menorahs. After that, we met up with the man at the hotel, and then we went to the beach for *mincha-maariv* so we could see the sunset. After that, we went back to the hotel for another barbecue dinner, this time of wings. The next day, Wednesday, we davened with the two other men, before heading out to the North Point in the Saint Lucy area of the island to see the Animal Flower Cave, which faces the Atlantic Ocean. While we were there, we bought coconuts from a guy by the cave and saw The View, a breathtaking sight of water and earth crashing together outside the cave. Afterwards, we headed down to Farley Hill in the Saint Peter area, where we saw an abandoned sugar plantation that was owned by a non-Jew in the 1800s. After that, we went to the Oistins fish market on the Southern part of the island and bought some dolphin fish, better known as mahi-mahi. We headed back to the hotel, where we davened *mincha-maariv* and had fried mahi-mahi for dinner. That night was Yat Kislev, so after dinner, Mr. Gross, who is a friend of Chabad, came to the hotel and had us come with him to the beach for a *farbrengen*. Mr. Gross brought cake from his native Canada, and we also had watermelon, chips, peanuts, soda, and Manischewitz. In honor of the Mezritcher Maggid's *yahrtzeit*, we discussed the Maggid's place in the history of *chassidus* and the meaning of celebrating a *tzaddik's yahrtzeit*. Mr. Gross told us that he had finished learning daily Tanya for the first time, and I told the story of how the Baal HaTanya was released from prison on Yat Kislev.

Next morning, we davened and packed up to go back to yeshiva. We still had a bunch of menorahs left over, so one of the bachurim named Avraham Chaim Steier had the brilliant idea to leave them by Nidhe Israel. We went back to Benny to ask permission, and he of course gave it. We went to the shul and gave the leftover menorahs to the *shamesh*. Afterward, we went back to the hotel for one last *mincha* and lunch, said our goodbyes to our friends and headed for the airport.



Thank you to everyone who made this amazing trip possible, especially our anonymous friends.

# More Picture Perfect Moments From The Generations Of Israel



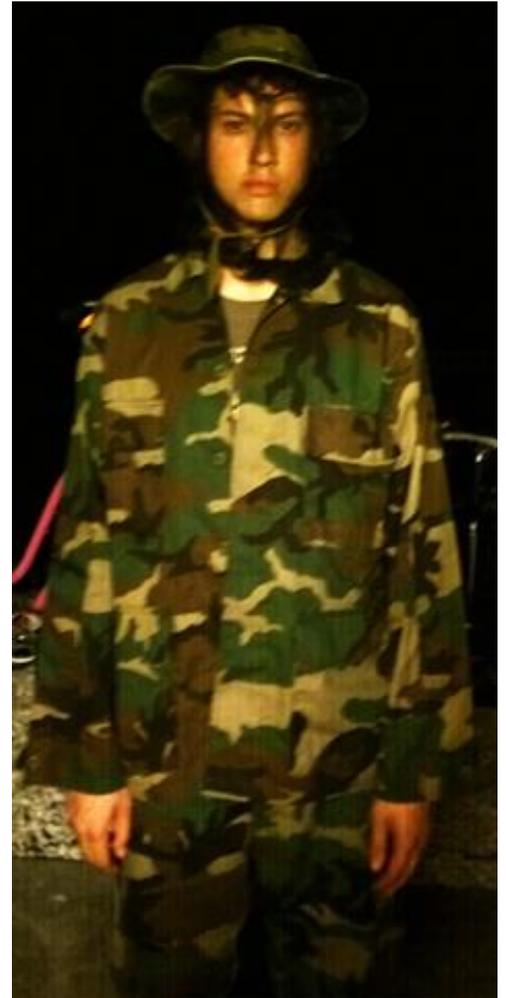
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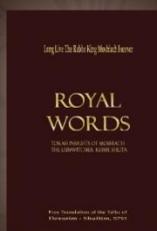
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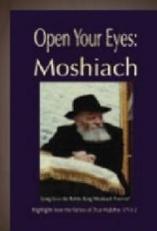
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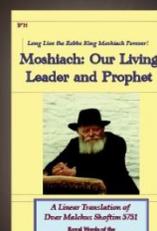
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