



ETZ CHAIM SEPHARDIC CONGREGATION

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SHABBAT SHALOM

PARASHAT TEROUMA D'VAR BY RABBI DAVID GINGOLD-ALTCHEK

Note the first mitzva given in this week's parasha is generous donation. Thus, when I saw this comment on the parasha, I was struck with the thought of how much it was true, and evident in the legacy, of our recently departed - Leon Mordoh ob"m.

The Torah portion begins with the command; "For you shall take donations from all men (people) whose hearts are generous - from them you shall take my donations." The parasha is speaking not only of generosity and charity but specifically of the donations to the Mishkan [Tabernacle] - comparable, in the words of our Sages z"l to the synagogues and religious institutions of our times.

The Talmud states (Tr. B"b), "s/he who pursues tzedaka (both: justice & charity) will find life l, tzedaka, and honor!" But one might ask, why does a provider of charity need charity? Rather, the answer as the rabbis teach us is, that all who pursue charity are beneficiaries as well, as the Lord provides them the perpetual means to give charity.

Thus, our original verse is re-rendered as follows; "for you shall take donations from all men (people) whose hearts are generous...", referring to those who pursue charity - and their reward is inevitably, "from them you shall take my donations", thus you see that God's promise is that they shall always be awarded the means and opportunity to do so!

May we merit to do the same! Shabbat Shalom!!!

Bereavement Notice

Leon M. Mordoh ob"m passed away peacefully on February 1, 2019. Leon was an active member of the Board of Directors of Etz Chaim and an active member of the Indianapolis Jewish Community. He was a pillar of the Sephardic Community, and this is a loss for the entire community.

**Baruch Dayan Emet
Min Hashamayim Tenuchamu**

Shabbat Terouma Observance Times

Friday Night Services - Minha	5:50 PM*
Shabbat Candle Lighting	5:53 PM*
Shabbat Morning Services – Shaharit	9:00 AM**
Tzurba M'rabanan Class	1:15 PM
Shabbat Minha * followed by Seudah Shelishit	5:30 PM*
Arvit & Havdallah	6:55 PM*
Shabbat End	6:55 PM*

*Please note observance times change.

**Please arrive on time to help make a minyan, so Torah reading can begin on time. *Please silence your cellphone during Shabbat & holiday observances. Thank You.*

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Please Note: We have recently centralized the processing of donations for Prayer Books, Chumashim, donations to Etz Chaim and Sisterhood. Please indicate how your check should be applied. Mail all donations to Etz Chaim. Attn: Donations, P.O. Box 80004, Indianapolis, IN 46280. Thank you

Etz Chaim Sephardic Congregation Presents...

Torah Today: Exploring The Laws of Daily Jewish Living

WHERE: ETZ CHAIM SOCIAL HALL

WHEN: EVERY SHABBAT AFTERNOON @ 1:15-2:15 pm

Jacob Mark is excited to explore contemporary applications of Jewish law and living, based on a world-renowned curriculum recently introduced to the English-speaking world.

For more information, go to rza.org/tzurba
For questions contact Jacob at jacobamark@gmail.com

"Torah Today" is a lay and rabbinic collaboration!

Join us next Sunday for
Etz Chaim's
Annual General Membership Meeting
Sunday, February 17, 2019 @ 4:00 PM
Please make an effort to attend. Your participation matters!
Followed by "Stories of Freedom" w/ Dina David

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Avraham Shabtay Camhi
Kathryn Taurel
Joseph Levy
Liba Bat Esther Roland
Al Rubenstein
Freida Black
Terry Ward
Ann Yosha Abraham
Ruth Meshulam
Howard Yosha



Deborah Sisterhood presents

The 2019 Speaker Series at Etz Chaim

Stories of Freedom

Series Premier featuring **Dina David**

Iraqi dessert will be served, as well as coffee and tea.

Sunday, February 17 @5:00 PM

Social Hall



Dina David

"Iraqi Jews – The Untold Story: A Personal History"

Dina David, born to Iraqi immigrants in Israel, traces the history of Jews in Iraq and in particular her family's life in Baghdad. Her personal story will include her family's life in Israel and will touch on her life both in Israel and America.

Open to the community. Free of Charge. Donations are always welcome!

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MEMBERSHIP DIRECTORY

OPT-OUT REMINDER:

Directory 5779/ 2018-2019

If you **Do Not** wish for your information to be included in the membership directory, please contact the office.

Etz Chaim is a proud participant and recipient of the **LIFE & LEGACY** program. Contact Alan Cohen (317) 513-3056 for more information.



Weekly Services & Classes

Services and classes are open to the community & free of charge.

Sunday @ Chabad on 96th

Shaharit @ 9:00 AM

Monday - Friday @ Etz Chaim

Shaharit @ 7:00 AM

Wednesday @ 8:00 PM

Class w/ Rabbi David Gingold-Altchek

NEW Class! Shabbat 1:15-2:15 PM

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Tzurba M'rabanan

Upcoming

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Stories of Freedom

Speaker, Dina David @ 5:00 PM

Presented by Deborah Sisterhood

Please see flyer(s) for more information on event(s).

Upcoming Events Calendar Year 5779/ 2018-2019 is available.

This Week's Oneg

Sponsored by

Deborah Sisterhood

Oneg sponsorship opportunities are available!

Contact Rakhel Farahan

Volunteer in the Kitchen!

Join Sisterhood in the preparation of our Shabbat *onegs*. Both women and men are welcome to help in the kitchen.

Friday Mornings @ 10:00AM-1:00PM

From the Treasurer's Desk: Question about your Statement?

If you have any questions regarding your dues statement, please do not hesitate to reach out to me:

Mark Sigman • treasurer@etzchaimindy.org • 317-691-7553

*Anything you discuss will be treated as confidential.



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Bikkur Cholim: Please contact us 317-251-6220, if you know of someone who is ill or needs support of our community or Rabbi.

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