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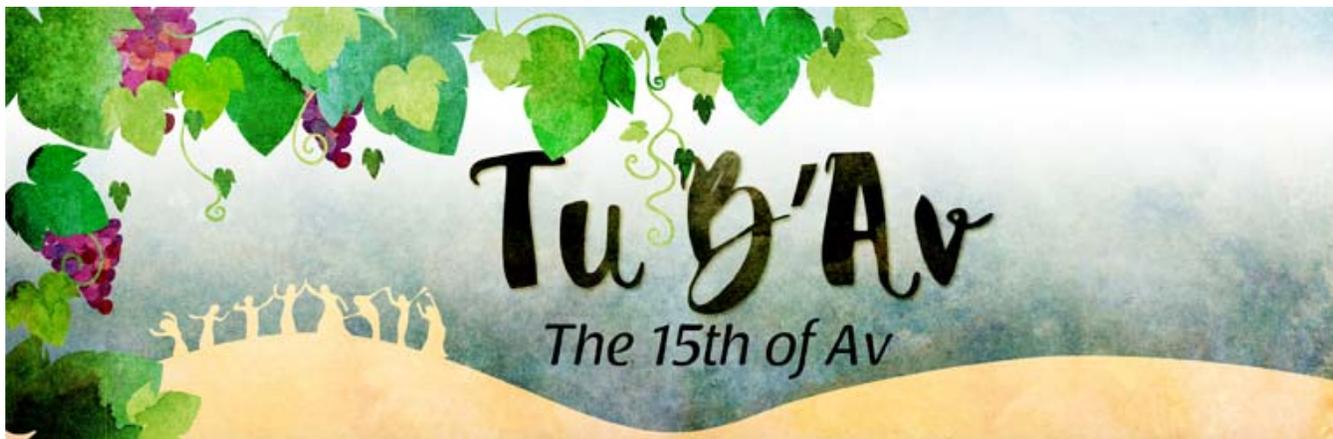
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Devarim – Shabbat Chazon

9 Av, 5778



The 15th of Av is undoubtedly the most mysterious day of the Jewish calendar. A search of the Shulchan Aruch (“Code of Jewish Law”) reveals no observances or customs for this date, except for the instruction that beginning on the 15th of Av, one should increase one’s study of Torah, since at this time of the year the nights begin to grow longer and “the night was created for study.” And the Talmud tells us that many years ago the “daughters of Jerusalem would go dance in the vineyards” on the 15th of Av, and “whoever did not have a wife would go there” to find himself a bride.

And this is the day which the Talmud considers the greatest festival of the year, with Yom Kippur(!) a close second!

Indeed, the 15th of Av cannot but be a mystery. As the “full moon” of the tragic month of Av, it is the festival of the Future Redemption, and thus a day whose essence, by definition, is unknowable to our unredeemed selves.

Yet also the unknowable is ours to seek and explore, as we shall in two essays, based on the Lubavitcher Rebbe’s writings and talks, presented here. [The Day of the Breaking of the Ax](#)¹ approaches the mystery of Av 15 by examining a number of events which occurred on this day. [The Dancing Maidens of Jerusalem](#)² sees in the Talmud’s account of their match-seeking dance a model for the various dimensions of our relationship with G-d.

Links:

¹ https://www.chabad.org/library/article_cdo/aid/53683/jewish/The-Day-of-the-Breaking-of-the-Ax.htm

² https://www.chabad.org/library/article_cdo/aid/53684/jewish/The-Dancing-Maidens-of-Jerusalem.htm

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Dear Friends:

For more than a decade we have had the privilege of working together with many of you and other friends around the world to create a secure future for thousands of individuals who live on the fringes of Israeli society.

Individuals who have been unable to participate in Israel’s dynamic work place because they are caught in a cycle of poverty that is handed down from one generation to another. They are trapped because of lack of financial resources, education and opportunities.

At JobKatif you have helped us change this. First with Gush Katif evacuees, and now with Ethiopian-Israeli young adults, impoverished soldiers, at risk teens and young adults, and others.

We follow the wisdom of Maimonides who posits that the greatest level of assistance we can offer fellow Jews is to help them become self-sufficient and financially independent.

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Our innovative employment-focused programs are individualized. Our hands-on help means that Dvir, who hasn't been living at home since he was 16 is now able to consider to which academic faculty he wants to apply. And, Yehudit, who saw her mother wear shoes for the first time when she made aliyah from Ethiopia, is now thinking about in which field of nursing she wants to specialize. Sixteen-year old Shlomo who successfully completed a bicycle repair course, "the first time I ever completed anything in my life", wants to become a mentor to other challenged youth.

Success is at their fingertips. It is achievable. Just as the many dreams they once thought impossible. Today, the impossible becomes possible for them. For their children. For Israeli society.

Please join us on Shabbat Chazon, Parashat Dvarim and work together to make all their dreams happen.

Contribution checks may be made out to Congregation Shomrei Emunah with "Job Katif" on the memo line; and then mailed to or dropped off at Shomrei Emunah, 6221 Greenspring Avenue, Baltimore, MD 21209.

We thank you in advance for your support. Sincerely yours,

Yosef Zvi Rimon Chairman and Founder

Judy Lowy Executive Director



A piece from a jewelry item was found in the Shul a few weeks ago. If you are missing something or have any information about the possible owner, please contact Rebbetzin Kaplan.

Mrs. Sally Friedman is sponsoring Kiddush this Shabbat
in honor of the congregation.



The Summer Ladies Class presented by **Mrs. Rochel Kaplan**
is **cancelled** for this week, as we are all preparing for the fast of Tisha b'Av.
The classes will resume next week on Shabbat Nachamu.

Yahrzeits This Week:

Joseph Zakar 10 Av - Saturday night / Sunday for Mother Chaya Rivka bas Yaakov

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Davening and Shiurim Schedule

Friday, 7/20 — 8 Av
Shacharit — 6:40 a.m.
Minchah / Ma'ariv — 7:00 p.m.

Shabbat, 7/21 — 9 Av
Shacharit — 9:00 a.m.
Sof Z'man Kriat Shema — 9:32 a.m.
Minchah — **NO Seudah Shilishit** — 5:00 p.m.
Fast Begins 8:29 p.m.
Shabbat Ends — 9:12 p.m.
Ma'ariv followed by Eicha — 9:30 p.m.

Sunday — Tisha b'Av observed, 7/22 — 10 Av
Shacharit — 9:00 a.m.
Kinus — 9:45 a.m.
Chatzot — 1:12 p.m.
Early Mincha — 2:00 p.m.
Minchah — 8:00 p.m.
Ma'ariv — 8:35 p.m.
Fast Ends — 8:59 p.m.

Monday, 7/23 — 11 Av
Shacharit — 6:50 a.m.
Minchah / Ma'ariv — 8:10 p.m.

Tuesday, 7/24 — 12 Av
Shacharit — 7:00 a.m.
Minchah / Ma'ariv — 8:10 p.m.

Wednesday, 7/25 — 13 Av
Shacharit — 7:00 a.m.
Minchah / Ma'ariv — 8:10 p.m.

Thursday, 7/26 — 14 Av
Shacharit — 6:50 a.m.
Minchah / Ma'ariv — 8:10 p.m.

Friday — Tu b'Av, 7/27 — 15 Av
Shacharit — 7:00 a.m.
Candles — 8:04 p.m.
Minchah / Ma'ariv — 7:00 p.m.