

# The Shul

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## Build A Home

"You didn't buy a house!" That's the home-grown wisdom one Yiddishe Mama dispenses to her adult children when they purchase an item that they later decide is not to their liking. It wasn't such a big investment of time and money that you have to lose sleep over it, she is counseling her offspring.

But once you've purchased that house, or even if you're not yet up to buying a house but simply want to make your rented quarters homey, what furnishings should it contain?

Jewish teachings suggest that we furnish our homes, first and foremost, with people.

Rabbi Yosay ben Yoezer from Tzrayda taught that our homes should be a meeting place for Jewish scholars. His colleague, Rabbi Yosay ben Yochanan of Jerusalem said that our homes should be wide open for guests and that the poor should be treated as members of one's household.

Taking this advice from our Sages gives a special ambiance to our homes even before we've decided on the decor.

But what of the furniture, fixtures, appliances, gadgets, rugs and art? When purchased with the right attitude, these can all be within the spirit of Judaism.

Such an attitude is aptly represented by a story of Reb Pinchas Reizes, a famous chasid of Rabbi Shneur Zalman, the first Chabad Rebbe.

Reb Pinchas was fabulously wealthy. And yet, when he mentioned to Rabbi Shneur Zalman his plans to build himself a beautiful, brick mansion, the Rebbe asked him, "Pinchas, why do you need such a mansion?"

As most of the other houses in his city were made of wood, his home would stand out and could be construed as an ostentatious sign of wealth and pretentiousness.

"Rebbe, believe me," explained Reb Pinchas, "when I think about building my house, I shed more tears than there will be bricks. I keep reminding myself, 'Do I need a brick mansion?'"

"But, because I will have a mansion, important community meetings will take place in 'Pinchas' mansion.' Since the meeting is taking place in 'Pinchas' mansion,' Pinchas has a say. Once Pinchas has a say ... !

"Now, if Pinchas doesn't have a mansion, the meeting won't be taking place by Pinchas. Then Pinchas won't have a say ... ."

Rabbi Shneur Zalman responded, "You are right, it is a proper thing for you." (Early Chassidic Personalities by Rabbi S. B. Avtzon)

Some people chose to tailor their home's furnishings to the guests that will fill their homes. This might preclude white sofas or carpeting, expensive antiques or collectables within reach of small children, or other items one must ponder before purchasing if one's home will be filled with guests of all shapes, sizes and age.

To make a dwelling into a "home," a home in which one's family and friends can truly feel "at home," the advice of Jewish teachings is the best decorator around.

(from <http://www.lchaimweekly.org/>)

## Make Your Presence Known

"Whenever my kids get wild, I always try to imagine what your daughter would do. They never fight when she's here."

When Aharon died at Hor Hahar and Bnai Yisrael lost the "protective clouds", they were attacked by Canaan (Bimidbar 20:28-21:1). Rashi in our Parsha (Bimidbar 26:13) tells us that, based on Divorim 10:6, many Jews ran away and that created a civil war in Moserah. The Torah states that Aharon died there in Moserah. Rav Shimon Schwab zt"l, explains that since Aharon was a great peace-maker, there had never been a civil war before. Therefore, although he died in Hor Hahar, his death was actually "felt" in Moserah.

What type of atmosphere do you create??

*(by Rabbi Chaim Flom from Project Genesis at www.torah.org)*

This Summer, **Join ladies of our community for weekly** Shabbat afternoon Torah Learning and Refreshments.  
Presented by **Mrs. Rochel Kaplan** at 6509 Deancroft Road (corner of Hanway Rd)  
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**Rabbi and Mrs. Shalom Zirkind** are sponsoring Kiddush this Shabbat  
in memory of Shalom's father,  
**Harav Simcha Yerachmiel ben Mordechai Shachna**,  
whose yahrzeit is this Shabbat, 24<sup>th</sup> of Tammuz.



### Yahrzeits This Week:

Rabbi Shalom Zirkind	24 Tamuz - Friday night / Shabbat	for father	Harav Simcha Yerachmiel ben Mordechai Shachna
Jeffrey London	27 Tamuz - Monday night / Tuesday	for sister	Sora Tivka bas Yaakov
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### Davening and Shiurim Schedule

**Friday, 7/6 — 23 Tammuz**  
Shacharit — 7:00 a.m.  
Minchah / Ma'ariv — 7:00 p.m.

**Shabbat, 7/7 — 24 Tammuz**  
Shacharit — 9:00 a.m.  
Sof Z'man Kriat Shema — 9:26 a.m.  
Berachot Gemora Shiur — 7:05 p.m.  
Minchah & Seudah Shilishit — 8:05 p.m.  
Ma'ariv — 9:19 p.m.

**Sunday, 7/8 — 25 Tammuz**  
Shacharit — 8:00 a.m.  
Minchah / Ma'ariv — 8:15 p.m.

**Monday, 7/9 — 26 Tammuz**  
Shacharit — 6:50 a.m.  
Minchah / Ma'ariv — 8:15 p.m.

**Tuesday, 7/10— 27 Tammuz**  
Shacharit — 7:00 a.m.  
Minchah / Ma'ariv — 8:15 p.m.

**Wednesday, 7/11 — 28 Tammuz**  
Shacharit — 7:00 a.m.  
Minchah / Ma'ariv — 8:15 p.m.

**Thursday, 7/12 — 29 Tammuz**  
Shacharit — 6:50 a.m.  
Minchah / Ma'ariv — 8:15 p.m.

**Friday — Rosh Chodesh Av, 7/13 — 1 Av**  
Shacharit — 6:40 a.m.  
Candles — 8:15 p.m.  
Minchah / Ma'ariv — 7:00 p.m.