

# SHABBAT SHALOM

November 30, 2024

29th Cheshvan 5785



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# WELCOME

We welcome you and your interest in Beth Shalom B'nai Zaken Ethiopian Hebrew Congregation (House of Peace for the Children of the Ancient Ethiopian Hebrews). As stated in Psalm 133:1, *“how good and how pleasant it is for brethren to dwell together in unity!”*

We are truly blessed by your presence and welcome the opportunity to share our love of the Most High G-d with you. Your experience today will probably be very different from most services you have attended. We hope this information will explain our beliefs and mode of worship. As G-d stated in Isaiah 56:7... *“for my house shall be called a house of prayer for all peoples.”* Again, we welcome you and pray that you will enjoy our service as much as we do.

Beth Shalom B'nai Zaken Ethiopian Hebrew Congregation (Beth Shalom) is the oldest Temple in the Chicago area serving the Israelite Community. It was established as the Ethiopian Hebrew Association in 1918, by Rabbi Horace Hasan. In 1920, Rabbi David Lasarus and Rabbi Caino Stirson, came to the Chicago area from New York and later joined forces with Rabbi Hasan. In 1923 our beloved Senior Rabbi Abihu Ben Reuben, (may G-D bless his memory) joined this congregation, which was located at 1850 West Lake Street. In the 1930s and 1940s, the leadership of the Ethiopian Hebrew community was firmly in the hands of Rabbi Abihu Ben Reuben, Rabbi Lazarus, and Rabbi Louis Green. Rabbis Reuben and Lazarus studied with Chief Rabbi Wentworth A. Matthew, at the Commandment Keepers Congregation in New York City, and were ordained rabbis by Chief Rabbi Matthew. Rabbi Louis Green received his Masters of Science in Jewish Studies from the College of Jewish Studies in Chicago, Illinois.

In 1952, Chief Rabbi Wentworth A Matthew came to Chicago to oversee the opening of a new Temple to serve the Ethiopian Hebrew Community. In 1984, the Congregation of Ethiopian Hebrews and Beth Shalom Hebrew Congregation merged to form Beth Shalom Ethiopian Hebrew Congregation. Rabbis Abihu Ben Reuben and Capers C. Funnye, Jr., served the congregation as senior and assistant rabbis. In 1993, Beth Shalom merged with the Congregation of B'nai Zaken, to form Beth Shalom B'nai Zaken Ethiopian Hebrew Congregation, with Rabbi Capers C. Funnye, Jr. as Rabbi.

Beth Shalom is an affiliate congregation of the International Israelite Board of Rabbis Inc. and fully embraces the ideals of Resolution 801A which was passed by the Board in 1981. It affirms the brotherhood of all people who worship the G-D of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob without regard to tradition or terminology (for example: Black Jews', Hebrews, Israelites, Jews, etc.) However, when among us, visitors are obliged to respect the customs and traditions followed by members.



**Tidbit: Toldot**

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**Chief Rabbi Capers Shmuel Yefuneh**

The sixth parashah of Genesis talks about the birth and early years of Isaac and Rebekah's twin sons, Jacob, and Esau. Often in ancient tales, twins who are not identical are complementary, each twain represents one-half of a complete personality, each having qualities the other lacks and lacking qualities the other possesses. Jacob represents the gentle, cerebral side of a person, reaching goals by persuasion or cleverness. Esau represents the active, physical side. When the Torah describes them struggling within Rebekah's womb and continues to portray them as rivals growing up, it may be telling us that these two sides of many people are struggling within everyone for dominance.

19; Isaac, son of Avraham: Isaac's life is defined by being Abraham's son more than by any other single factor. Abraham begot Isaac: As Isaac was proud of his father, Abraham was proud of his son. Verse 21: Isaac does not pray for himself, for the fulfillment of his own needs, but for his wife. Rather than urging her to be content with her lot, he prays that she finds fulfillment where it means most to her.

Verse 23. The Lord answered her; God charges Rebekah with the responsibility of seeing to it that the Covenant is entrusted to the more worthy, not necessarily the elder, child, Esau. Although Isaac favors Esau. He raised Esau to do many of the things he never been able to do when he was growing up, asking Esau to fill in the blank spaces in his own life, and he loved his physically gifted son for being what he had never been. Each of us at times want to see in our children what we never saw in ourselves? A strength of will, to accomplish anything that they put in their hearts and minds, let us understand that what we see in one of our children, G-d may see in another one of our children, and set His blessing upon the more spiritual child.

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## Toldot

**Torah Reading:** Gen. 25:19 - 27:9 (page 93)

**Haftorah:** I Samuel: 20:18 - 42 (page 948)

### WEEKLY SERVICE

**Saturday: Shacharit (Morning) Service** 10:30 A.M.-1:30 P.M.

**Minchah (Evening) Service** 3:00 P.M. – 4:30 P.M.

**Gift Shop (Tue & Thurs.)** 12:00 P.M.- 2:00 P.M.

### PRAYER LIST:

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Paul Reynolds, Jeff Zemel, Lee M. Kelley, Sr., Cohen Abdi Levi,  
Rabbi Tyrone Avraham Burks, Yahzerah Brazelton, Leroy Jackson, Jr.,  
Malachi McWoodson, Rudy Jackson, Richard Smith

Tishima Brazelton, Mahalia Koroma, Carla Williams,  
Naiyah Yehudah, Paula Winter, Bernice Gomez, Christine Hickman

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## Yahrzeit

**Gracille Moore**

*(mother of Rabbi James Brazelton)*

## THIS WEEK IN BLACK & HISPANIC HISTORY

November 24, 1865 - Mississippi passed the so-called "Black Codes" that barred blacks from jury service, testifying against whites in trials, bearing arms and attending white schools.

November 25, 1949 - CORE chapter pressed sit-in campaign designed to end segregation in downtown facilities in St. Louis.

November 26, 1968 - Corky Gonzalez head of Crusades for Justice joins with other members of the Chicano organization to present a list of demands to the boards of education in Denver.

November 27, 1957 - Dorothy Height, YMCA official, was elected president of the National Council of Negro Women.

November 28, 1933 - Thousands of white people gather for the brutal lynching of Lloyd Warner, a 19 year old Black man, in Stg. Joseph, Missouri.

November 29, 1990 - The collapse of a Ponzi scheme, the Latin Investment Bank wipes out the savings of about 2500 Salvadorans in the Washington D.C. area.

November 30, 1982 - Sandra Cisneros submits the manuscript for *The House on Mango Street* to her publisher. It tells the story in poetry and prose, of Esperanza Cordero, a Mexican American girl.

**\*\*\*\* MARK YOUR CALENDAR \*\*\*\***

## **Zaken Adar Ben Yisrael's Soup Kitchen**

**Days and Hours of Operation**

**for the month of December**

**1 pm - 3 pm**

**Friday, December 6th, Sunday 8th,**

**Friday, December 13th, Sunday, December 15th**

**Friday, December 20th, Sunday, December 22nd**

**Friday, December 27th, and Sunday December 29th**

**Volunteers are needed please see**

**Rabbinit Mary Funnye to sign up.**

**Pre-Hanukah Arachat Boker (breakfast) December 21,  
2024.**

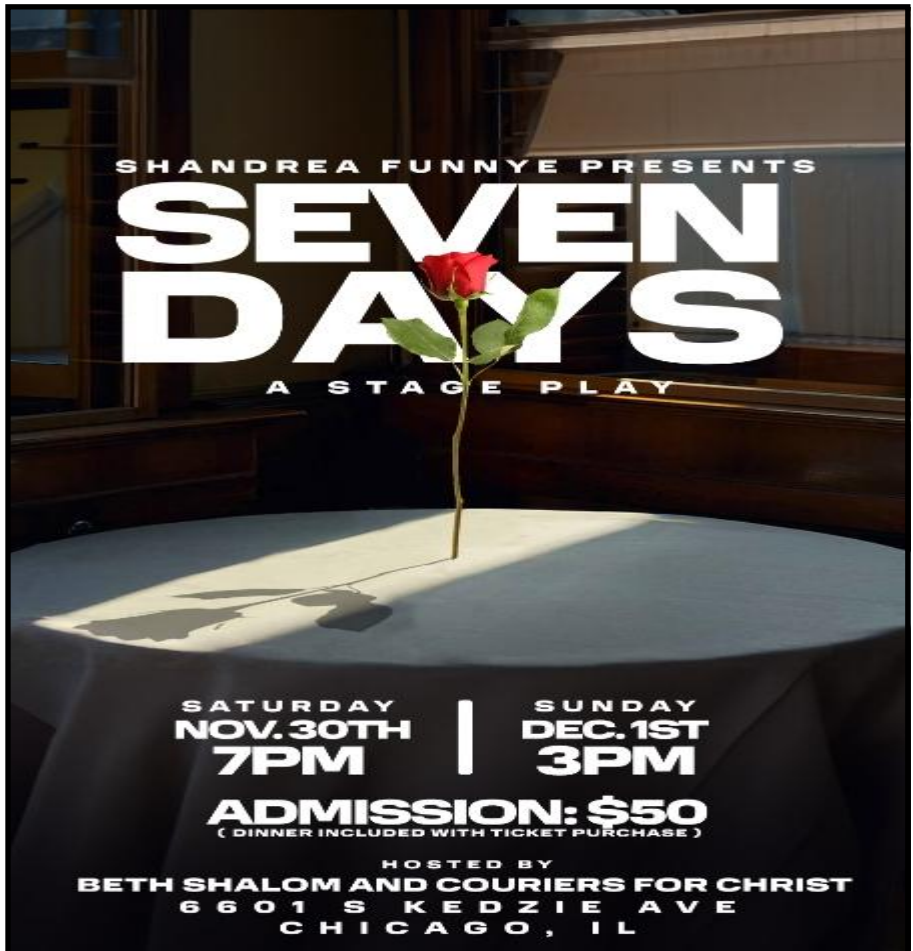
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**Looking forward to seeing you!!!!**

**Beth Shalom needs slightly used clean toys for our nursery, if you have some that you are willing to donate please see Rabbinit Mary Funnye.**

**Our deepest condolences go out to Rabbi James Brazelton and his family on the passing of his mom Gracille Moore. May her soul be bound up in the bonds of life with the Eternal one of Yisrael.**

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A photograph of a red rose on a round table covered with a white tablecloth. The rose is in the center, and its shadow is cast on the table. In the background, a window shows a view of a building. The text is overlaid on the image.

SHANDREA FUNNYE PRESENTS  
**SEVEN  
DAYS**  
A STAGE PLAY

SATURDAY  
NOV. 30TH  
7PM

SUNDAY  
DEC. 1ST  
3PM

**ADMISSION: \$50**  
( DINNER INCLUDED WITH TICKET PURCHASE )

HOSTED BY  
**BETH SHALOM AND COURIERS FOR CHRIST**  
6601 S KEDZIE AVE  
CHICAGO, IL

Tickets are available please see Rabbinit or Angela Parker for ticket information.

The Phenomenal Israelite Women 20th Anniversary Conference is February 27th - March 2nd in Chicago.

Please see Angela Grier for more information.

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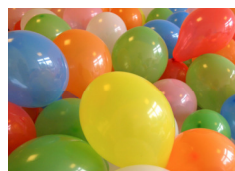
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# MARCHING TO ZION

By Isaac Watts

Come we that love the Lord, and let our joys be known,  
Join in a song of sweet accord, join in a song of sweet accord,  
And thus surround the throne, and thus surround the throne.

## Chorus

**We're marching to Zion, Beautiful, beautiful Zion**  
**We're marching upward to Zion,**  
**That beautiful city of God.**

Let those refuse to sing, Who never knew our God,  
But children of the heavenly King, but children of the heavenly King,  
May speak their joys abroad, may speak their joys abroad.

## Chorus

The hills of Zion yield, a thousand sacred sweets,  
Before we reach the heavenly fields,  
Before we reach the heavenly fields,  
Or walk the golden streets, or walk the golden streets.

## Chorus

Then let our songs abound, and every tear be dry,  
We're marching thru Yahowah's ground,  
We're marching thru Yahowah's ground,  
To fairer worlds on high, to fairer worlds on high.

## Chorus

**“LIFT EVERY VOICE”**  
**By James Weldon Johnson**

Lift every voice and sing,  
Till earth and heaven ring,  
Ring with the harmonies of Liberty;  
Let our rejoicing rise  
High as the list'ning skies,  
Let it resound loud as the rolling sea.  
Sing a song full of the faith that the dark past has taught us,  
Sing a song full of the hope that the present has brought us;  
Facing the rising sun of our new day begun,  
Let us march on till victory is won.

Stony the road we trod,  
Bitter the chast'ning rod,  
Felt in the days when hope unborn had died;  
Yet with a steady beat,  
Have not our weary feet  
Come to the place for which our fathers sighed?  
We have come over a way that with tears has been watered.  
We have come, treading our path through the blood of the slaughtered,  
Out from the gloomy past,  
Till now we stand at last  
Where the white gleam of our bright star is cast.

God of our weary years,  
God of our silent tears,  
Thou who hast brought us thus far on the way;  
Thou who hast by Thy might,  
Led us into the light,  
Keep us forever in the path, we pray.  
Lest our feet stray from the places, our God, where we met Thee,  
Lest our hearts, drunk with the wine of the world, we forget Thee;  
Shadowed beneath Thy hand,  
May we forever stand,  
True to our God,  
True to our native land.



*Happy  
Birthday*



## **NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS**

**Kahtrael Bradley**

**Anita Bridge**

**Elder Baruch Carroll**

**Michael Eldridge**

**Capers Funnye, IV**

**Calvin Caleb Gousman**

**Tamika Reynolds-Kelley**

**Matthew Roberts**

**Elder Benjamin Thomas**

**Shlomo McWoodson**

**Moreh Khizkeyahoo Y'hudah**