



OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS

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SHABBAT SHALOM

October 11, 2025

19th Tishri 5786



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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.

“ 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.

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



Tidbit: Chol Hamoed
19th Tishri 5786 – October 11, 2025
Chief Rabbi Capers Shmuel Yefuneh

“And Moses said unto the Lord: ‘See, Thou sayest unto me: Bring up this people; and Thou hast not yet let me know whom Thou will send with me. Yet Thou has said I know thee by name, and thou hast also found grace in My sight. Show me now Thy ways, that I may know Thee, to the end that I find grace in Thy sight; and consider that this nation is Thy people.’ And He said: ‘My presence shall go with thee, and I will give thee rest. ’And he said unto Him: ‘If Thy presence go not with me, carry us not up hence, For wherein now shall it be known that I have found grace in Thy sight, I and Thy people? Is it not in that Thou goest with us, so that we are distinguished, I and Thy people that are from all the people that are upon the face of the earth?’ And the Lord said unto Moses: ‘I will do this thing also that thou has spoken, for thou hast found grace and I know thee by name.’ And he said: ‘Show me, I pray Thee Thy glory.’”(Exodus 33:12-18)

These seven verses lend us insight into Moses's, doubts and fears. What if Hashem has withdrawn His Presence from Moses? And since Moses is worried about feeling the presence of the Eternal, he grows nervous, and he feels alone. I know that whenever I feel this way, I get the feeling of being all alone. God has hidden His face from me, and I feel abandoned. Being overwhelmed by these feelings would cause me to stand frozen in time and unable to move.

So, how would you feel???

Shabbat Shalom

SHABBAT SHALOM

Chol Hamoed

4th Day of Sukkot

Torah Reading: Exodus 33:1 - 34:26 (page 361)

Num: 29:26 - 28 (page 662)

Haftorah: Ezekiel: 38:18 - 39:16 (page 979)

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:

Paul Reynolds, Lee M. Kelley, Sr., Cohen Abdi Levi,
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Zaken Adar Ben Yisrael's Soup Kitchen

Days and Hours of Operation
for the month of October

1 pm - 3 pm

Friday, Oct. 17th & Sunday, Oct. 19th

Friday, Oct. 31st

Volunteers are needed, please see
Rabbinit Mary Funnye to sign up.

We need volunteers to clean the stage
and social hall on Sunday, October 12th
@ 11:00 a.m.

ATTENTION

There are prayer books and Pentateuchs missing
from the synagogue, if you have one please return
it as soon as possible.

There are two pairs of eyeglasses in the office, if
you are missing a pair of glasses, please see Angela
Parker

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*Spiritual Leader,
Chief Rabbi Capers C. Funge, Jr.*

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Bereshith-Genesis 9:9 -
And I, behold, I establish my covenant
with you, and with your seed after you.

Erev Shabbat - Fri., Oct. 24, 2025
Dinner: 6:00 p.m. / Service: 7:00 p.m.

Shabbat - Sat., Oct. 25, 2025
Arachat Boker (breakfast) 9:30 a.m.
Shacharit (morning) Service 10:30 a.m.
Rabbi Debra Bowen, Guest Speaker
Oneg (refreshments) after Services

The Stage Play: Missed Communication

Two performances! \$50 per person
Sat., Oct 25, 2025, Dinner 7:00 p.m. / Play 8:00 p.m.
Sun., Oct 26, 2025, Luncheon 2:00 p.m. / Play 3:00 p.m.

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ATTENTION

Parents please accompany your children to the
bathroom. They are not to go in there alone any-
more.

HOLY DAYS 2025

Shmini Atzeret/Simchat Torah

Tuesday, Oct. 14th @ 10:30
a.m.

A vibrant poster for a masquerade ball. The background is a rich red with gold accents. At the top, it says "THE LOVE OF NATE FOUNDATION". Below that is a large, ornate gold masquerade mask with a red rose on its side. The text "ANNUAL FUNDRAISER" is above "MASQUERADE Ball" in a large, elegant script. A gold circle on the left says "DOORS OPEN At 6pm". Below the title, it says "SATURDAY NOVEMBER 01" and "NOBEL ENTERTAINMENT CENTER 1515 E. 154TH ST. DOLTON, IL 60419". Further down, it lists "LIVE MUSIC | RAFFLES | MASK CONTEST | FOOD, DRINKS AND MORE!" and "\$60 ENTRANCE | FREE PARKING". At the bottom, a yellow ribbon symbol is on the left, and text on the right says "ALL PROCEEDS BENEFIT THE 'FOR THE LOVE OF NATE FOUNDATION' BRINGING AWARENESS AND HELPING CHILDREN FIGHTING CANCER AND OTHER LIFE-THREATENING ILLNESS." and "For Tickets or more information call: Ms. Anngy: 708-915-9806 | Ms. Rachel: 708-265-4788".