

SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS

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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 80lA 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.

TRADITIONS OF THE DAY

National Hispanic Heritage Month traditionally honors the culture and contributions of both Latino and Hispanic Americans. The history and accomplishments of these groups in the shaping of the country are celebrated.

The month is celebrated in a plethora of ways. As several other celebratory holidays fall during this month — such as the independence days of several Latin American countries — concerts, parades, food fairs, and more are organized throughout. Educational events like art exhibitions take place as well, highlighting important Latino heroes in history.

The U.S. government honors the immeasurable contributions of Hispanic Americans to our economy, culture, and society.

HISPANIC HERITAGE MONTH

Hispanic Heritage Month is celebrated from Sept. 15 to Oct. 15 in the United States to honor and recognize the "achievements and contributions of Hispanic American champions who have inspired others to achieve success," according to U.S. National Archives.

The observation was first recognized by President Lyndon B. Johnson in 1968 and was later expanded by President Ronald Reagan in 1988 into a full month, the official site HispanicHeritageMonth.gov explains.

Why is Hispanic Heritage Month celebrated from the middle of September to October?

Hispanic Heritage Month is celebrated from Sept. 15 to Oct. 15 because many significant anniversaries of Latin American independence fall on Sept. 15, including Costa Rica, El Salvador, Guatemala, Honduras and Nicaragua, according to Hispanicheritagemonth.gov.

In addition, Mexico and Chile celebrate their independence days on Sept. 16 and Sept. 18. Columbus Day or Día de la Raza, which is Oct. 12, also falls within this 30-day time-frame, the website explains.



Tidbit: Nitzavim

28th Elul 5782 – September 24, 2022 Chief Rabbi Capers Shmuel Yefuneh

Every Israelite participates in the ceremony establishing the covenant with G-d. The text does not tell us when the ceremony took place nor of what it consisted. Other covenant texts from the ancient Near East, likewise, allude to ceremonies without describing the actual proceedings; they recount only the content of the agreement.

Verse 9-14: "You stand this day, all of you, before the Lord your G-d—your tribal heads, your elders and your officials, all the men of Israel, your children, your wives, even the stranger within your camp, from the wood choppers to water drawer—to enter into the covenant of the Lord your G-d, which the Lord your G-d is concluding with you this day, with its sanctions; to the end that He may establish you this day as His people and be YOUR G-D, As He promised you and as He swore to your fathers, Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob. I make this covenant, with its sanctions, not with you alone, but both with those who are standing here with us this day before the Lord our G-d and with those who are not with us here this day."

Please understand this one thing, that the Lord our G-d made this covenant with all of us. Will you all vow to be faithful to the covenant? Choose for yourselves, will you be faithful to the Eternal One of Yisrael? Now is the time.

Shabbat Shalom and Shana Tovah

NITZAVIM

Rosh Chodesh – Tishri/Ethanim

Torah Reading: Deuteronomy 29:9 - 30:20 (page 878)

Haftorah: Isaiah 61:10 - 63:9 (page 883)

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:

Willie Myrtle Walker, Willie Miller, Gracile Moore, Dr. Wayne Williamson, Nasikah Dinah Israel, Zaken Baruch Carroll, Ben Hardiman, Jerry Hecktman, Zakenah Deborah McCollough, Toni Miller, Yakariel Judah, Karmel Yehudah, Shlomo McWoodson, Charles Caston, Ellen Zemel, J'nel Funnye, Arthur Steer, Loretta Coleman-Wickman, Sinetra Roberts, Zaken David Whitfield, Leah Burks, Marnina Grier

YAHRZEIT

To Our Guest:

We appreciate you being with us today. There are times during our service when walking is prohibited. Please refrain from walking while we stand during prayers and when the Torah is being read. We thank you in advance for honoring our request.

THIS WEEK IN BLACK & HISPANIC HISTORY

September 18, 1923 - NAACP and Pennsylvania's governor publicly denounced Johnstown's mayor's threats of violence against African Americans and Mexican Americans if they refused to leave town.

September 19, 1868 - Ousted Black lawmakers and their supporters marching to a Republican rally in Albany, Georgia, were attacked and killed by a group of angry white Southerners in what became known as the Camilla Massacre.

September 20, 2007 - Up to 15,000 people in Jena, Louisiana protested the attempted murder prosecution of six Black teens for fighting with white students who hung a noose from a tree on their high school campus.

September 21, 2011 - Georgia executed Troy Davis despite strong evidence of innocence, recanted witness statements, and a global campaign demanding that the state commuted his sentence.

September 22, 1906 - After newspapers in Atlanta, Georgia, reported four alleged assaults on white women, 10,000 white men terrorized city's Black community for four days, killing between 25 and 40 people.

September 23, 1667 - Virginia Assemble enacted law declaring that enslaved Africans who converted to Christianity will not be freed from bondage.

September 24, 1964 - A crowd of at least 7,500 demonstrators marched to protest increased racial integration in New York City Public Schools.

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"LIFT EVERY VOICE"

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.

**** MARK YOUR CALENDAR ****

Please join Chief Rabbi Funnye' for Shabbat Service Saturday, September 10, 2022 @10:30 a.m.

All CDC guidelines will be strictly enforced, you must wear a mask and maintain social distancing.

There will be no Oneg, you must bring your own prayer book, Pentateuch, and Tallitim.

We will also continue our Virtual Service Streaming on Facebook Live.

https://www.facebook.com/beth.shalom.52012

Tot/Youth Shabbat Service is every Saturday at 11 a.m.

Ages 2 - 6 will be with Sister Yierah or Sister Simona

Ages 7 & up will be with Sister Angela

Anniversary committee meeting will be held on

Saturday, September 24th after service.

Beth Shalom 104th Anniversary Weekend

Friday, October 21st - Sunday 23rd

Friday, Oct. 21st - Erev Shabbat Service @ 7:00 p.m.

Saturday, Oct. 22nd - Shabbat Service @ 10:30 a.m.

Evening Services @ 3:30 p.m. w/

Guest Speaker Mr. John B. Davis

Sunday, Oct. 23rd brunch will be held from 11 a.m. - 2:30 p.m.

Tickets: Adults: \$30 Children: 12 & under \$10

BSBZEHC Youth Holiday Talent Show

Sunday, December 18th @ 4 p.m.

1st, 2nd, & 3rd place trophies will be awarded.

Please see Sister Yierah for more details and to sign-up.

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HOLY DAYS 2022

Erev Rosh Hashanah Sunday, Sept. 25th @ 7:00 Rosh Hashanah Monday, Sept. 26th @10:30 Erev Yom Kippur (Kol Nidre) Tuesday, Oct. 4th @ 7:00 Yom Kippur Wednesday, Oct. 5th @10:30 a.m. Erev Sukkot Sunday, Oct. 9th @ 7:00 Monday, Oct. 10th @10:30 Sukkot a.m. Shmini Atzeret/Simchat Torah Monday, Oct. 17th @ 10:30 a.m.

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