

# The Clarion



## Temple B'nai Emet

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Sivan-Tammuz 5786

Spiritual Leader Michael Feldman

June 2026

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### FROM OUR SPIRITUAL LEADER....

Dear Temple B'nai Emet Family,

One of the greatest aspects of this community is our dedication to each other in times of illness. The *Mi SheBerach* prayers for the sick are always a highlight of our services, and I have witnessed and often been a part of many other efforts to show support, including visitations and special programming. I pray this continues and strengthens. At the same time, not everybody is comfortable sharing their struggles to the same degree (which is ok!) and we are not always “on the same page” when it comes to communicating our needs or prayers.

With all this in mind, I believe we can and should do more to organize the *Mi SheBerach* services and community announcements. I think it best to begin with being clearer about who we should be supporting and praying for:

- We should have no reason to believe that anyone is on a community health list against their wishes. This does *not* mean you have to be sure the person actively wants prayer or support, but please be respectful if it would cause any conflicts or issues of consent.
- For any community list, please stick to people in our community, that you know personally, or whose family members have personally asked for your prayers. Of course, we can and should pray for people all over the world aside from the list.
- The “*Mi SheBerach*” prayer list could include people with a current health condition (physical or mental) or upcoming procedure that has a significant chance of causing death, long-term disability, or unusual suffering.
- Issues that do not make us worry about such things, even a minor cold, are still perfectly appropriate to include in your own prayers and it is of course quite lovely to bring a loved one some chicken soup or to pick up their slack as they get over the latest bug. However, we want to honor the more serious needs of those who are indeed on the list. That said, *if you are the kind of person to ignore your own needs, you should probably ignore this and simply reach out to us just in case!*

FROM OUR SPIRITUAL LEADER CONT.....

- I would also like there to be a separate list of anyone comfortable with us knowing about long-term health issues that are stable but that might still need other forms of support. It is not appropriate to pray for something to change when it simply cannot. In fact, many conditions are essentially part of a person's sense of self. So, such people would not be a part of our public prayers for healing—but, that does not mean that we cannot find ways of supporting them as a community. Also, to be clear, a condition that is terminal and cannot be cured still belongs on the primary, "*Mi SheBerach*" list—even one extra hour life is precious and worth praying for.

- ***Please, please contact me if you are not sure whether a person should be on either list.*** I can help talk you through it. That's what I'm here for!

Temple B'nai Emet will email the community a list of those names that are currently noted as having substantial health needs. Please make sure the synagogue has your current email address. If you do not use email at all, please let us know and we will do our best to get you information.

Please take the time to reply to that email if you personally know anyone on that list or that *should* be on the list. For each such person, please send the full name, the Hebrew name (if you know it), the parents' Hebrew names (if you know them), the person's relationship to you (unless it's you!), and up to a few sentences about that person's health status and needs *if you are comfortable doing so*. For example, you might say a diagnosis, whether there is a procedure or recovery period, and whether there are good times to visit.

*If you would like to be the person that recites the name of the person during services, please say so!* If you are not present, or forget, I or anyone else leading services can still recite the name anyway. And if there is someone on the list that *should not be on the list*, or that should be on a list of community support but not for public prayer, please inform us right away.

Going forward, when we have the *Mi SheBerach* prayer, I will still go around the room to give a chance for anyone that wants to say the names that are on the main prayer list or that has an appropriate name to add that is missing from the list. I will then recite other names. I ask that we do not repeat names that other people have said—it is not good make some names feel more important than others, even if some conditions are more serious or worrisome. To make that easier, I will ask Zoom participants to say their names first, as they often have trouble hearing live congregants. I also ask that we do not use the moment to pray for things more generally (for example, "Everyone suffering in Israel" or "Anyone hurt by war"), as there are other moments for that during our prayers. And I will indeed be inviting more of your participation for exactly such moments! I also want to keep our focus on individuals close to us when the moment calls for that, instead.

This is all a step toward reinvigorating not only our prayers but our actions throughout the week. It is clear that active participation is a major part of what makes TBE tick, and I am all for doubling down on that. In the weeks and months to come, I very much plan to give us more chances to share what matters most to us beyond issues of illness as well. If you have your own ideas about any of that, please don't be shy! Otherwise, stay tuned. There is a lot for us to do together.

With hopes and prayers,

Michael Feldman

## **FROM OUR PRESIDENT**

I hope you had a wonderful Mother's Day. The mothers who attended services at Temple B'nai Emet received a beautiful orchid corsage gifted by Elvia Aespuro. Our lunch was enhanced by a very delicious cake donated by Jeanette Dickman and Elvia Aespuro.

By the time you receive this edition of the Clarion Shavuot will have passed. Hope you all had an enjoyable holiday. June is approaching and I just want to give a little background information on parades typical of June. These parades are ancient and were initiated in Mesopotamia and they were called Parades of the Goddesses. They featured men dressed as women and women dressed as men.

As Israel was consecrated to God from its inception, so was America. America was established after the pattern of ancient Israel. We must always keep our focus on our God.

We continue to ask for your support through donations, tributes and membership. We always need more people in attendance at services. Whether you're a member or not we would love to have you join us. Any questions about membership contact the Temple office (626)545-2053.

Ricardo Aespuro

**CONTINUED FROM LAST MONTH  
MANY THANKS TO THE FOLLOWING WHO SUPPORTED  
THE BOOK OF REMEMBRANCE 2026**

Joel Blass

Nathan and Esther Esquenazi

Theola Kirschenbaum

Philip and Drene Levinson

Florence Unger

Michael Weinberg

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Thank you for all your get well wishes and prayers

Jeanette Dickman

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**TEMPLE B'NAI EMET TRIBUTE FUND....**

Send a thoughtful card to a friend or relative for all occasions.

ALL contributions Further the support of our Temple. Tributes are **\$3.00**. WE NEED AND WELCOME YOUR SUPPORT.... Call the Temple office **(626) 545-2053**.



Mrs. Lillian Gordon – Happy 80<sup>th</sup> Birthday. From Judi Tefft and The Temple B'nai Emet Board.

# HAPPY MAY BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES

George Gelmis	June 4 <sup>th</sup>
Rhonda Baron	June 18 <sup>th</sup>
Jeanette Dickman	June 18 <sup>th</sup>
Gracia Brown	June 28 <sup>th</sup>

Sara Loaiza and Ara Najarian June 1st  
Esther and Nathan Esquenazi June 7<sup>th</sup>



## CONTRIBUTIONS

### YORZEITS

Mrs. Sandy Olesen  
In memory of Sara Toibin  
Mr. and Mrs. David Gostlin  
In memory of Sara Toibin  
Susan Spitzer  
In memory of Henry Spitzer  
Mr. and Mrs. Howard Applebaum  
In memory of Celia Richman  
Mrs. Marion Barsky  
In memory of Yetta Rose Stone  
Mrs. Sandy Olesen  
In memory of Ruben Green  
Mr. and Mrs. David Gostlin  
In memory of Ruben Green  
Mrs. Judi Tefft  
In memory of Richard Tefft  
Mr. Marc Maretsky  
In memory of Paul Shatz  
Mrs. Marion Barsky  
In memory of Sonia Barsky  
Mr. and Mrs. Philip Levinson  
In memory of Betty Levinson  
Mrs. Sandy Olesen  
In memory of Gwendolyn Olesen  
Mr. and Mrs. Nathan Esquenazi  
In memory of Albert Esquenazi  
and Isidoro Bali

### GENERAL FUND

Mrs. Florence Unger  
In memory of Sadie Rose  
Mr. Charles Adelman  
In memory of Henrietta Harris  
Sybil Flom  
In honor of Temple B'nai Emet

# YORZEITS

## FRIDAY, JUNE 5<sup>TH</sup>

Sol Goldman	June 5-6
Annabelle Kaplan	June 5-6
Sarah Rubin	June 5-6
Marion Sylvia Tankelson	June 5-6
Celia Boyarsky	June 6-7
Ida B. Epstein	June 6-7
Bea Friedman	June 6-7
Elizabeth Magy	June 6-7
Harry Markenson	June 6-7
Robert Wayne Nep	June 6-7
Rick Steven Rashoff	June 6-7
Abraham Richman	June 6-7
Esther Anna Shein	June 6-7
Harvey Winer	June 6-7
Sophie Gould Alper	June 7-8
Samuel Altshuler	June 7-8
Sarah Dewery	June 7-8
Milton Klein	June 7-8
Rose Quint	June 7-8
Eugene Kushins	June 7-8
Zelma "Chickie" Polin	June 7-8
Ruth W. Smith	June 7-8
Marlene Stahl	June 7-8
Jacob Weisbeker	June 7-8
Samuel Alpert	June 8-9
Suzanne King Fogel	June 8-9
Ben Hagler	June 8-9
Bennie Shapiro	June 8-9
Martha Blass Newman	June 9-10
Paul Greene	June 9-10
Israel Grossman	June 9-10
William Kahn	June 9-10
Gertrude Smith	June 9-10
Isaac Tonowsky	June 9-10
Anna Blum	June 10-11
Mariam Hoogy	June 10-11
Gertrude Mersky	June 10-11
Harry Umanski	June 10-11
Leo Branker	June 11-12
Rachel De Merit	June 11-12
Ella Edkenasy	June 11-12
Abraham Freedland	June 11-12
Fred Goldberger	June 11-12
Joseph Goodstein	June 11-12
Israel Kahn	June 11-12
Maurice Maretsky	June 11-12
Aaron Rosenzweig	June 11-12

## FRIDAY, JUNE 12<sup>TH</sup>

Morton Saltman	June 11-12
Yetta Silberschein	June 11-12
Molly Silbert	June 11-12
Nathan J. Eiser	June 12-13
Lila Gildon	June 12-13
Sarah Hagler	June 12-13
Cecelia Levin	June 12-13
Miriam Morrell	June 12-13
Leo Roman	June 12-13
Eva Simon	June 12-13
Adam Smith	June 12-13
Frieda Sonnenschein	June 12-13
David Gold	June 13-14
Hermina Landel	June 13-14
Betty Levin	June 13-14
Arthur Lichterman	June 13-14
Dora Saks	June 13-14
Dorothy Behar Haller	June 14-15
Sidney Lieberman	June 14-15
Phil Shoff	June 14-15
Sam Fishman	June 15-16
Anna Harris	June 15-16
Nathan Levy	June 15-16
Phyllis Tarlow Siegler	June 15-16
Beatrice Balowitz	June 16-17
Rosie Neustein	June 16-17
Ida Rappaport	June 16-17
Sidney Simon	June 16-17
Nina Bellen	June 17-18
Bernard "Buddy" Rabins	June 17-18
Rose Silverman	June 17-18
Don Stone	June 17-18
David Goldman	June 18-19
Lillian Gross	June 18-19
Ethel Horwitz	June 18-19
Benjamin Katzman	June 18-19
Ross Satin	June 18-19
Milton Stone	June 18-19
Nathan Stone	June 18-19

## FRIDAY, JUNE 19<sup>TH</sup>

Reuben Arian	June 19-20
Jay Allen Balonick	June 19-20
Joseph William Marks	June 19-20
Max Rostoker	June 19-20
Allan Rothstein	June 19-20
Tillie Turk	June 19-20
Nathan Wilkes	June 19-20
Zetta Bricker	June 20-21

**FRIDAY, JUNE 19<sup>TH</sup> CONT.**

Nathan Buchman	June 20-21
Benjamin Itzkovitz	June 20-21
Ruth Keller	June 20-21
Anna Monin	June 20-21
Abraham Shein	June 20-21
Mark Boyar	June 21-22
Abe Gordon	June 21-22
Max Jaffee	June 21-22
Raymond Kantor	June 21-22
William Argall	June 22-23
Birdie Lillie	June 22-23
Sarah Brodsky	June 22-23
Norman Dlin	June 22-23
Jennie Epstein	June 22-23
Harry Gilderman	June 22-23
Nathan Katz	June 22-23
Paul Mahler	June 22-23
Karl Spitzer	June 22-23
Max Davis	June 23-24
Hyman Fagin	June 23-24
Mervin Isaac	June 23-24
Helen Nisenshal	June 23-24
Phyllis Rabins	June 23-24
Jennie Rosenbaum	June 23-24
Benjamin Waldman	June 23-24
Rudy Chernick	June 24-25
Marilyn Hasson	June 24-25
Bessie Raskin	June 24-25
Rose Resnick	June 24-25
Isadore Slonim	June 24-25
Julia Sones	June 24-25
Zeev Wolf Dlin	June 25-26
Samuel Goldstein	June 25-26
Ruth Gottesman	June 25-26
Marjorie Ruth Homer	June 25-26
Charlotte Rosenstein	June 25-26
Veda Stambor	June 25-26

**FRIDAY, JUNE 26<sup>TH</sup>**

Anna Gilderman	June 26-27
Sheldon Haas	June 26-27
Bernard Kantor	June 26-27
Tillie Kolokol	June 26-27
Erma Leibovitz	June 26-27

**FRIDAY, JUNE 26<sup>THE</sup> CONT.**

Nathan Martz	June 26-27
Jack Newport	June 26-27
Oscar Solomon	June 26-27
Charles Wasserman	June 26-27
Pauline Dorfman	June 27-28
Louis Fishkin	June 27-28
Jacob Katz	June 27-28
Monica Levin	June 27-28
Solomon Schlossberg	June 27-28
Gail Shinn	June 27-28
Bessie Shulman	June 27-28
Stanley Weinstein	June 27-28
Abe White	June 27-28
Leon Benveniste	June 28-29
Molly Gurnick	June 28-29
Anna Kaplan	June 28-29
Sam Koster	June 28-29
Goldie Levy	June 28-29
Zelda Weiner	June 28-29
Jacob Gemovsky	June 29-30
Rebecca Knopf	June 29-30
Peter Sandler	June 29-30
Nissim David Shahon	June 29-30
Sara Wine	June 29-30
Rebecca Bernstein	June 30-July 1
Jacob Cutler	June 30-July 1
Solomon Eisman	June 30-July 1
Nat Garber	June 30-July 1
Sonia Jaro	June 30-July 1
Ella Dell	July 1-2
Anne Hiller	July 1-2
Harry Horberg	July 1-2
Mamie Isenberg	July 1-2
Sam Kinsbursky	July 1-2
Abe London	July 1-2
Sarah Shapiro	July 1-2
Stephen Cohen	July 2-3
Minnie Fleischman	July 2-3
Ari Ben Glatt Holtz	July 2-3
Harvey Magy	July 2-3
Samuel Meisner	July 2-3
Fruma Mishkin	July 2-3
Bella Palotnik	July 2-3
Douglas Tauber	July 2-3

The Temple B'nai Emet Board  
Would Like To Wish All The  
Father's A..



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**JUNE**

19<sup>TH</sup> – Juneteenth National Independence Day  
21<sup>ST</sup> – Father's Day

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**PLEASE EXPEDITE**

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Spiritual Leader.....Michael Feldman  
President..... Ricardo Aespuro  
Office Administrator..... Valerie Cook

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**Schedule of Services**

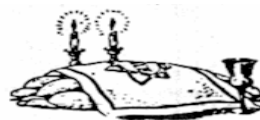


Saturday morning services continue to be conducted through **ZOOM** and **IN PERSON** starting at **9:30 am**. If you would like to join services via **ZOOM**, contact the Temple office **(626) 545-2053** and give Val your email address. You will then receive the **LINK** to join services.

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***Candle Lighting Time***

“Beautify the Sabbath and Your Home”



June 5 ..... 7:43  
June 12..... 7:46  
June 19..... 7:49  
June 26..... 7:50