

So... What's Nu ?

## Welcome

**Professor Mordechai Shani** - For the past ten years Prof. Shani has been devoting his time to research in the field of e-Health combined with disease management and Tele-Medicine. For the achievement in Tele-rehabilitation, in 2014 his team got the first prize for innovation by TED MED. Israel Prize Winner

**Dr Tali Golan** - Medical Expert in the forefront on Pancreatic Cancer research at Sheba Centre. Dr Golan will address the community after the Kiddush on Shabbos morning

## Mazel tov!

### Barmitzvah

Gabriel son of Jonny and Lisa Leeb, grandson of Oli and Chippie Leeb and Lilian and the Late Charles Segall on the occasion of his Barmitzvah on Sunday

### Batmitzvah

Norman and Lynda Romain on the occasion of their granddaughter Batya's Batmitzvah in Israel

### Wedding

Adam son Martin and Beverley Seidle on the occasion of his forthcoming wedding to Candice daughter of Paul and Salome Green

### Children's Services

This is the last Shabbos that there will be children's services and will resume services on the 18 January 2019

### Blood Drive

Last Blood Drive of the year will be held  
On Sunday 9 December @  
Manor Medical Centre - 9am to 2pm

## Got a Halachic Question?

Need a quick answer?  
Sms or WhatsApp Rabbi Shaw on  
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## Davening Times

Shacharit  
Monday & Thursday – 06h00 & 06h40  
Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday –  
06h15 & 06h45  
Sundays & Public Holidays – 07h00

Mincha – 18h15

### Rosh Chodesh / Fast Day / Chol Hamoed

1st Minyan – Davening will commence  
at 05h45 throughout the week  
2nd Minyan – Davening will commence  
at 06h30 throughout the week

## SECURITY

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please report it immediately to BHH  
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## Make the Connection

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**8 December 2018**  
**30 Kislev 5779**

Candle Lighting: 6.15pm  
Parsha: Miketz  
Rosh Chodesh Tevet Chanukah  
Mincha: 6.10pm  
Havdalah: 7.26pm  
Haftorah: Bernard Shull



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## SandtonShul

### Happy Chanukah to All

I want to share with you a lesson I learned in the course of this past week. Napoleon took power in 1799 and was victorious in major battles, giving him control of most of Europe. Belgium, Holland, Italy, Croatia, Germany, Switzerland, and Poland. Almost everywhere bar Britain.

I believe it was in 1812 on his way to Moscow that a famous French General met with Rav Chaim Volozhin, the primary student of the Vilna Gaon. Rav Chaim was known to be one of the greatest Sages of that time. He told the General that he believed that in the end, the Russians would defeat the French.

He used an analogy to explain his thinking. A farmer was riding on a cart pulled by 2 scrawny ponies. Whenever the wheels of the wagon got bogged down in mud these 2 ponies were easily able to pull the wagon out. A royal carriage drawn by 6 magnificent stallions also got bogged down in this thick mud and the strong healthy steeds could not extricate the carriage from the mud. The farmer explained that the ponies were raised together and were used to working together. When one was struck with a whip the other could feel its distress and pain. The Prince's horses were from different herds, different families and different places. When one of them got whipped the others "thought" – that does not affect me. They were not accustomed to pulling or working together.

Rav Chaim explained, that while the French army was extremely powerful, it was made up of soldiers from many nations, each with his own loyalties. No common ties to one another. No natural bonds. The Russians on the other hand, were so patriotic to their motherland. They were unified and in the end it is unity that would lead to victory. (As shared by Howard Wolk)

The same is true for the all challenges that we face. We need to be unified, to stand as one, to feel for each other and to look out for one another, and I mean really seek each other's success and watch one another's backs to the max! If we can get this right, we will beat who ever and whatever stands up against us and what we know to be true.

I wish you all a safe and restful holiday!

Shabbat Shalom, Chodesh Tov and Chanukah Samayach.

**Rabbi David Shaw**

**Quote For the Week: The best present  
you can give your children  
is your presence!**

**Parashat Miketz : A Summary**

Pharaoh Dreams of cows and sheaves and demands for someone to interpret his dreams. The wine butler remembers Joseph's ability to interpret dreams. They bring Joseph from the jail. Pharaoh acknowledges the truth of Joseph's interpretation (that there would be seven good years followed by seven years of famine) and raises Joseph to second-in-command of the whole country with the mandate to prepare for the famine. Ten of Joseph's brothers come to Egypt to buy food, Joseph recognizes them, but they don't recognize him. Joseph accuses them of being spies and puts them through a series of machinations in order to get them to bring his brother Benjamin to Egypt. Then Joseph frames Benjamin for stealing his special wine goblet.

**Dvar Torah** by Rabbi Zelig Pliskin

Pharaoh likes Joseph's interpretation of his dream and then appoints him to be in charge of Egypt's economy. The Torah states: "And Pharaoh said to Joseph, 'after the Almighty has informed you of all this, there is no one who is as understanding and wise as you' " (Gen. 41:39). How could Pharaoh trust Joseph whose resume listed his last two positions as "convict" and "slave"? Rabbi Chaim Shmuelevitz, the late head of the Mir Yeshiva, explained that Pharaoh saw Joseph's extreme honesty when Joseph began by saying that he had no power to interpret dreams on his own; that it was entirely a gift from the Almighty. Joseph did not want to take credit even for a moment. This total honesty in one minor point showed that Joseph could be completely trusted. Note that Pharaoh saw one minor positive point in Joseph's character and extrapolated it to a larger scale. This should be our model in viewing people. Keep finding minor strengths and good qualities in others and then give the person positive feedback. This can help someone build a positive self-image. The more a person sees himself as having positive attributes, the more motivated he will be to utilize those strengths for further growth. Many people have a tendency to notice minor faults and weaknesses in others and then keep telling them that they have major character problems. More can be accomplished to help people by focusing on the positive than harping on the negative ... especially if they have low self-esteem.

**What Children Want**

- They want harmony - their parents should not have unresolved and destructive conflict in front of them.
- They want love. They wish to be treated with the same affection as other children in the family.
- They want honesty. They do not want to be lied to.
- They want acceptance. They desire mutual tolerance from both parents.
- They want their parents to like their friends. They want their friends to be welcomed in the home.
- They want closeness. They desire comradeship with their parents.

- They want their parents to pay attention to them and answer their questions.
- They want consideration from their parents - not to be embarrassed or punished in front of friends.
- They want positive support - for parents to concentrate on their good points rather than their weaknesses.
- They want consistency. They desire parents to be consistent in their affections and moods.

**IF A CHILD LIVES WITH...**

- If a child lives with hostility ..... he learns to fight.
- If a child lives with fear .....he learns to be apprehensive.
- If a child lives with jealousy .....he learns to feel guilt.
- If a child lives with tolerance .....he learns to be patient.
- If a child lives with encouragement .....he learns to be confident.
- If a child lives with praise ..... he learns to be appreciative.
- If a child lives with acceptance ..... he learns to love.
- If a child lives with approval .....he learns to like himself.
- If a child lives with recognition .....he learns that it is good to have a goal.
- If a child lives with honesty ..... he learns what truth is.
- If a child lives with fairness ..... he learns justice.
- If a child lives with security ..... he learns to trust in himself and others.
- If a child lives with friendliness .....he learns the world is a nice place in which to live.

What is your child living with?

Date	Earliest time for Tallit & Tefillin	Latest time for Shema	Sunset
7 December	4:15:56 AM	8:33:21 AM	6:50:23 PM
8 December	4:16:02 AM	8:33:38 AM	6:51:04 PM
9 December	4:16:10 AM	8:33:57 AM	6:51:45 PM

