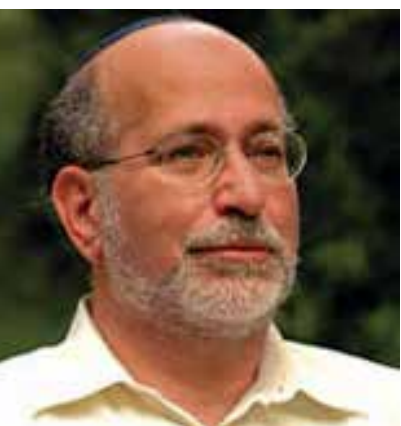


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Positive Inspiration That Can Lead To Being a Better Person

*Based on the Teachings of the Piacesner
Rebbe Klonomis Kalmesh Shapiro*

One of the goals of spirituality is to make positive changes to who we are and to transform ourselves into better human beings. It is important to become spiritually elevated during prayer, but just as essential is ensuring that when the praying is finished, when we go back to our daily lives, we can succeed at overcoming the inner challenges of our personal and professional lives.

To make our prayers effective in creating lasting change in our lives, we need to ask the following questions: When we pray, how deeply do we open our hearts? Do we allow the light to enter into the fibers of our being? Is it a transcendent experience that causes us to alter our priorities and begin to craft a personal mission statement? The prayer that is passionate awakens us. It is intense and deeply emotional. It is like being reunited with a lost child; your longing and excitement temporarily override many of your other sensations, like thirst or hunger. When we pray with true intent, a sense of the urgency of how our needs and the needs of our loved ones are held in G-d's hands causes our prayers to pour out with great intensity. At that point, we become completely locked in. Ordinary interests and sensations are temporarily overridden; our longing and desire is for G-d alone. And as we say the words of prayer, the ordinary masks that conceal the Divine begin to fade away until we are standing in the presence of the Holy One Blessed Be He.

While some people can only reach this state when they begin from a place of desperate need, for others it is enough simply to envision the wonder of getting close to G-d. But hopefully, no matter how you get there, you can pray in such a way that it causes an intense

change. The deep experience of the Divine presence leaves an impact that remains even after the prayer is completed.

The Torah, too, has the ability to make a mark on a person, even after the time of study. But, just as with prayer, it is not automatic. You must want it, must allow the Torah to enter into your heart and change you. If the Torah remains in your head alone and does not reach your heart, it cannot help you become humble or overcome your *yetzer hara*.

Some people absorb Torah learning only enough to feel bad about themselves. They feel the guilt of doing wrong but still lack the feeling of closeness to G-d. This guilt may be enough to stop a person from sinning, but overall it does more harm than good. The Torah is meant to awaken our potential of becoming elevated and close to G-d. It should not make us feel disheartened, but rather full of positive energy and the desire to do good.

The value of a positive self-image cannot be overstated. Devaluing yourself with negative thoughts and feelings of spiritual worthlessness will only serve to cause depression and anxiety. G-d wants to lift us up, not put us down. We need to approach Divine service with the intention of becoming closer to G-d. It's not always wrong to be critical of yourself, but you must not be so hard on yourself that you become depressed. Depression will limit your ability to have new Torah insights and to feel spiritually elevated during prayer. But if you can let go of the negativity, you can set your soul free to soar up to Heaven, where it will be open to great spiritual revelations.

The spiritual inspiration we achieve during prayer is directly connected to what we can

achieve intellectually when we study Torah. It's as if the closeness to G-d we feel during prayer manifests in our minds and mouths when we study to inspire us with new insights. True insight into Torah isn't just about intellectual creativity. It's about going up to Heaven and drawing down inspiration. It's about taking that inspiration and applying it to our intellectual endeavors. That connection to Heaven that we build when we pray can thus transform the way we study Torah, and as a result, the way we live our lives.

Taking something holy and bringing it into the physical world and into your being requires sustained effort. The point of prayer, Torah study, and mitzvot is to address the totality of the human experience, to allow our creativity and our purpose and passion to be harnessed to actual experiences and situations. In this way, we become spiritual with our deeds rather than with just our words. We replace the fire of hatred with the fire of justice; we open the deceitful heart and bring in a spirit of reconciliation and harmony.

There is no easy way to do this. By themselves, even the entirety of the Talmud and the Kabbalah will not remove our innate shortcomings. A sincere effort must be made to allow the teachings into our heart and soul. Our goal must be to use the power of the sweetness of becoming close to G-d as if our lives depend on it, to transform ourselves every day through consistently elevating how we think and talk to others and how we respond to crises, temptations, and adversity.

May the efforts of your spiritual work become the vessels for sustaining a balanced life that continues to become elevated and illuminated.

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Unless otherwise indicated, prices for meals are: \$50 (Members: \$40)
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ALL reservations for Shabbat meals must be made by noon Thursday, at www.thecarlebachshul.org



JANUARY 5TH: *Rabbi Joseph Telushkin and Rabbi Naftali Citron*

Since the early 90's, Rabbi Joseph Telushkin has come often to the shul to serve as a guest speaker or scholar-in-residence. He particularly enjoys studying with our chevra and grappling with the challenging questions they pose. Rabbi Telushkin is a world renowned writer and lecturer and is the author of *Rebbe, Jewish Literacy, Jewish Wisdom, Jewish Humor, and The Ten Commandments of Character*, to name but a few.



JANUARY 26TH: *Avraham Sutton and Rabbi Naftali Citron* *Kabbalah Shabbaton*

Avraham Sutton is an Orthodox Torah mentor, teacher, and author. For over 30 years, he has been learning and teaching prophetic Torah, Kabbalah, Talmud, Midrash, Chassidut, Prayer, Meditation, and Sacred Song. He has translated, edited, and/or authored over 20 major works in English on the deeper significance of Torah for our age. His editing projects include Rabbi Aryeh Kaplan's *Innerspace* and Volume Two of *Handbook of Jewish*

Thought, as well as Rabbi Chaim Kramer's *Anatomy of the Soul*.

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FEBRUARY 9TH: *Melinda (Mindy) Ribner and Rabbi Naftali Citron* *"Honoring the Heart and Wisdom of the Feminine"*

Melinda (Mindy) Ribner, a teacher of Jewish meditation and a spiritual psychotherapist and healer in private practice for over 35 years, received a public "semicha" from Rabbi Shlomo Carlebach of blessed memory to do her unique work. Her six published books on topics such as meditation, Kabbalah, and Biblical women may be purchased on Amazon. To receive monthly teachings about the energies and spiritual opportunities each month and more, contact her at Ribner@msn.com. www.Kabbalahoftheheart.com.



FEBRUARY 23RD: *MEMBER APPRECIATION*

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Rabbi Naftali Citron

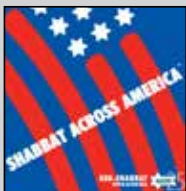


MARCH 9TH: *Rabbi Naftali Citron (In Memory of Reb Eli Chaim Carlebach)*

Reb Eli Chaim, as he was affectionately referred to, was a warm and caring presence in the life of The Carlebach Shul. Reb Eli Chaim opened up the lost world of the Chassidic masters by his Institute's publishing of encyclopedias of Chassidut. Please join the family and friends of Reb Eli Chaim for this Shabbat.

Shabbat Across America

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COME LET'S SING

Reb Shlomo's 23rd Yahrzeit, November 7 – 11th.

Reb Shlomo's melodies have defined Jewish music for the last fifty years.

The 23rd Yahrzeit commemoration for Rabbi Shlomo Carlebach (affectionately known as Reb Shlomo) began on November 5, 2017, with a special day of learning and a siyum of Masechta Sanhedrin. Speakers included Rabbi Avraham Newman and Joel Greenblatt. On November 7, Reb Shlomo's daughter Neshama Carlebach, accompanied by Nefesh Mountain as well as six performers who traveled from many places to support Neshama—Abbie Straus, Lauri Akers, Naomi Less, Shira Lissek, Chava Miril, and Beth Styles—gave a beautiful performance to a packed house. Neshama called each of her friends up to the stage and gave them each a heartfelt personal blessing. They in turn showed such respect to Neshama.

On Friday night, the Carlebach Kabbalat Shabbat service, adopted by synagogues throughout the world, was led by our own Chazan Yehuda Green. Hundreds of people gathered at the Carlebach Shul for a special davening followed by a delicious Shabbat dinner. Speakers included Rebbetzin Neila Carlebach, Rabbi Dr. Nehemia Polen,

Rabbi Ephraim Buchwald, Dr. and Mrs. Tziporah Rothkopf, and Chaya Adler. The theme of the Yahrzeit was "The greatest thing in the world is to do someone else a favor," following the lesson of Avraham and Sarah in Biblical times. During his life, Reb Shlomo was able to bridge the gap between the Chassidic sects of pre-war Europe and the modern world. Today, the Carlebach Shul continues to highlight the relevance of the great Chassidic rabbis to our modern world.

On Motzei Shabbat, over 1,000 people gathered from the tri state area for a concert to celebrate the life, legacy, and music of Reb Shlomo. Chaim Kiss began the night with a beautiful Havdalah service, joined by Daniel Levy from Teaneck, New Jersey. During Havdalah, men jumped out of their seats and danced in a circle while everyone sang and clapped to the music. A group of developmentally challenged young men joined the dancing, and their pure joy at being totally included in this beautiful moment was easy to see. This speaks to the power of music.

Luminaries of today's Jewish music performed, including Eitan Katz, Srully Williger, Shloime Dachs, and Zevi Muller, the Chazan of WSIS. Rabbi Naftali Citron, the great nephew of Reb Shlomo and the grandson of Rabbi Eli Chaim Carlebach, was the MC for the evening.

Shy Yellin, President of the Carlebach Shul, welcomed the audience and invited everyone to experience a Shabbat at the Carlebach Shul.

The finale was sung by our own star Ba'al Tefillah Yehuda Green. His rendition of Reb Shlomo's nigunim (melodies) was electrifying. His performance took on special meaning when he walked off the stage toward Rebbetzin Hadassah Carlebach and sang a personal tribute to her. One of the high points of the night was when Yehuda sang "Simcha Le'artzecha" and had the entire audience up on their feet dancing for the fast part, "utzmichas keren."

This was a beautiful and inspirational evening that will be remembered.



THE CARLEBACH SHUL THANKS JOY FISHMAN FOR SPONSORING THIS WEEKEND IN MEMORY OF HER SON, JONATHAN STAMPLER.

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Led by Rabbi Naftali Citron

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PURIM CONCERT

Featuring

SOUL FARM

— Wednesday Night, February 28th —

doors open at 8:00 PM concert at 8:15 PM

\$20 in advance \$30 at the door.



Soulfarm was founded in Israel by Grammy Award winner lead guitarist C Lanzbom and guitarist and lead singer Noah Solomon Chase. Their sound has been dubbed as New American music, full melodic song writing and progressive modern arrangements. Together with drummer Ben Antelis and bassist Daniel Ori, their live shows are full of Mediterranean flavor with captivating guitar leads, dance rhythms and strong percussion breaks. The 2012 New York Post quotes Soulfarm as “versatile, utilizing improvisation and world music.”

Soulfarm has recorded with many well-known musicians such as Pete Seeger with Bruce Springsteen and Dispatch; and has shared the same stage with Nora Jones, Shawn Colvin, The Wailers, George Clinton, to name a few. They have been featured on Fox 5 Good Day New York as well as the main band for “MY9 Celebrates Israel Day Parade.” Through extensive touring they have performed throughout the US, Europe, Australia and Israel.



Sunday Morning

11:30 AM - 2:00 PM: **SUNDAY MORNING YESHIVA**

■ Learning with Rabbi Avraham Newman, followed by a video of Reb Shlomo Carlebach's teachings.

Sponsorships are available. Suggested donation: \$5

Sunday – Thursday

9:20 - 10:00 PM: **DAF YOMI**

■ The Talmud is a masterpiece of law, logic, stories and our history. This class completes the entire Talmud every 7 1/2 years.

Faculty: Heshey Lieberman, Jan Buckler, David Prager, Nachman Alpert, Yosef Landau, Rabbi Naftali Citron and Yitzy Weinberg.

Coordinated by Shy Yellin.

Thursday Daf Yomi event with refreshments and interesting topics with Yitzy Weinberg – the most popular Gemara shiur on the West Side of Manhattan!

Tuesday Night Learning

7:00 - 8:00 PM: **A TOUCH OF KABBALAH/SEFER DERECH HASHEM**

■ *The Way of G-D* by R' Moshe Chaim Luzzato interpreted and applied.

Rabbi Fund is a well-known lecturer and interpreter of Kabbalistic texts. He is the Rabbi of the Flatbush Minyan in Brooklyn and was a student and close friend of Reb Shlomo, zt"l.

Members: \$8, Non-members: \$10

8:00 - 9:00 PM: **A TASTE OF TORAH/THE CHASSIDIC MASTERS**

■ *Rabbi Meir Fund*

Members: \$8, Non-members: \$10

Shabbat

9:00 - 10:30 AM: **MONTHLY MEDITATIVE SERVICE**

■ Join us monthly for a meditative service that brings you back to the original intent of the Shabbat Liturgy. The Kabbalists saw the siddur (prayerbook) as a map of the higher universes. Get your spiritual GPS working when you tune into this monthly meditation. Followed by the holiest whitefish and lox Kiddush.

January 6th, February 3rd, and March 3rd

(For future dates visit our website)

2:00 - 3:00 PM: **WEEKLY SHABBAT AFTERNOON LECTURE SERIES
WITH RABBI NAFTALI CITRON**

■ **Chassidut and Psychology**

December - February

A MESSAGE FROM ELISHA WIESEL

*This talk was given at The Carlebach Shul by
Elisha Wiesel
during Simchat Torah Hakafot,
October, 12th 2017*



MOSHE Rabbeinu was the greatest prophet of all time. So is it too much to imagine that as Hashem tells him in tomorrow's parsha reading הראיתיך בעיניך, as he is given the gift of a far-seeing vision in the last seconds of his life - is it too much to imagine that Moshe is seeing far not only in space but in time? Does Moshe in those moments see the future of all that will befall Am Yisrael? Is it too much to imagine, that he is not looking just at Eretz Yisrael but at our future as he sees the centuries and millennia unfold in front of him?

Can you imagine him seeing the entirety of Jewish history, all that has happened to us since his passing, all that is still to come? And do you think he sees a whirlwind blur as our people dance the Hakafot with and around his Torah across the generations, planets endlessly orbiting the spiritual Sun he fashioned up on the mountain ages ago? Or in that eternally long moment as he contemplates it – can he pick out the individual stories of our people?

Does he see my story?

Does he see my father born on Simchat Torah 1928 in the Carpathian mountains, the joy my grandparents must have felt as a new soul was given into their care amidst the broader celebration?

Does Moshe see my father called up for his first Aliyah on Simchat Torah in 1941, reading the words that describe the last moments of Moshe's life, even as a dark shadow looms larger and larger over the people of Sighet?

Does Moshe Rabbeinu see what my father described amidst the depth of darkness in Auschwitz 1944, inmates without a Sefer Torah asking a young boy if he knows the Shma, and then raising him up and dancing with him as their own living Torah scroll?

Does he see my father on the other side of that longest of nights, does he see my father in Moscow in 1965 moved to tears and celebrating Simchat Torah with Soviet youth who are reconnecting with their Jewish identity after decades of not being allowed to practice?

Does he see me - in this very shul last year - standing in the back, my first Simchat Torah in shul since my Bar Mitzvah, not sure if I should participate given my status as a mourner saying kaddish, not sure how I can stay away – as the power of the dancing and the passion of the daveners pulls me back towards my people?

Is it all too much to imagine?

Is it too much to imagine that Moshe is looking at us even now as we remember him and his unique relationship with God? Is it possible that he is looking at us in this moment right now? That the joy and wonder that emanates from this place in these exact moments are careening back through time and giving one small yet right now outsized packet of joy to our teacher among teachers?

And now let me ask you a different question, for those of you who daven every day and those of you who don't, for those of you who have gone deep into the Talmud and those of you who have only just recently been captured by a Chassidic tune - for all of you who are here tonight, observant or non-observant, because you are connected to something that is timeless and central to who you are:

Is it possible in the face of these Hakafot tonight to NOT believe in a real, immediate and powerful connection back through our ancestors to the time of Moshe Rabbeinu? And how could it be possible to NOT spend our dreams imagining that connection continuing on through our children?

Good Yom Tov and Chag Sameach.



Purim *February 28th - March 1st*

Wednesday Night, February 28th

Maariv at 6:15 PM, Megillah at 6:30 PM

SOULFARM CONCERT - (see page 9 for details) at 8:00 PM

2nd Megillah Reading Upstairs at 8:00 PM

Thursday Morning, March 1st

Shacharis at 9:00 AM, Megillah reading at 9:45 AM

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THURSDAY, MARCH 1ST, 2018 @ 12:00 PM



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Mazel Tov to:

Hadassa Carlebach on the birth of:

A great-grandson, Eitan to Nomi Dayan and Coby Klein (Grandparents: Billie Carlebach and Ezra Dayan)

A great-grandson Eli Chaim born to Estee and Zalman Berkowitz (Grandmother: Sheina Berkowitz)

Deborah Aschheim-Weiss and Dr. Robert Weiss on the birth of a grandchild Yonatan Yermiyahu Chaim Weiss (in Israel)

Tina and David Berezin-Bahr on the marriage of their daughter Shoeiva Robbie Meskin

Andrew Bloom on his engagement to Aviva Fistel

Bernard Broome on the Bar Mitzvah of his son Josh

Ann Crane on the marriage of her son Sam Zakay to the daughter of Rabbi Zev Brenner and Dr. Adina Berkowitz, Lizzy Brenner

Benjy Davidman on his marriage to Ariella Lanter

Paula Friedman on the engagement of her daughter Ilana Leggiere to Sam Gelman

Amy Luebke and Zev Teifer on their marriage

Saranne Rothberg on her engagement to Mark

Condolences:

Eric & Arianne Reiner on the loss of Arianne's father, Shlomo Milhelm

Dalit Fine and Kesem Fine, on the loss of Jeffrey Fine. Jeffrey was the President of The Carlebach Shul from 1992-1994 and was a dedicated leader. The Carlebach Shul owes Jeff a debt of gratitude for his service.

Judy Brodt and the Brodt family on the loss of Reb Sholom Brodt, zt"l. Reb Sholom was the founder and director of Yeshivat Simchat Shalom and a gifted teacher who spent his life teaching Torah, Chassidut and the teachings of Reb Shlomo Carlebach. He is sorely missed.



Sweetest Friends:

As part of the Daf Yomi cycle in which our shul participates, we recently completed tractates Sanhedrin and Makot which discuss punishments for severe crimes such as murder, and for lesser transgressions such as eating non-kosher meat. I found it difficult to reconcile the strict attribute of justice associated with these transgressions with our knowledge that “the ways of Torah are pleasant and its paths are those of peace”. I took solace in the teachings of Rabbi Akiva and Rabbi Tarfon who stated that “had they sat on the Sanhedrin no person would have ever been executed”. Even with respect to lashes, the accepted opinion is that only weak officers were given the task of carrying out the punishment; additionally the Rabbis likely prevented corporal punishment from being administered except in the most egregious cases. When studying the responsa of Rabbi Moshe Feinstein z”l, I found too that his approach was that of making the Torah sweet. Similarly, my Rebbe, Rabbi Aaron Soloveichik z”l, consistently stressed the moral and ethical underpinnings of the Torah. At the Carlebach Shul, Reb Shlomo z”l and Reb Eli Chaim z”l were masters of the sweetest Torahs and imbued a deep love of our traditions in all of their

teachings.

The recently celebrated Reb Shlomo Yahrtzeit Shabbos was one of the most wonderful Shabbat experiences that those present can remember. The davening led by Yehuda Green and the diveri Torah given over by Rabbi Naftali, Rabbi Nehemia Polen, Rabbi Avraham Newman, Rabbi Joey Greenblatt, Dr. Moshe Rothkopf, Rebetzin Neila Carlebach, Chaya Adler and the Chevra were awesome. If you were unable to attend, join us next week or on any Shabbos to get a sense of the true inner face of the Torah. To paraphrase our friends at NJOP, don't hesitate to turn Friday night into a Carlebach Shabbos.

Last, Channukah is upon us as is the end of the tax year. Your generous support of our efforts is welcome, timely and will allow us to be, all that we can be.

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