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**Aish Thornhill Community Shul**  
**Shabbat Nachamu - July 31 / August 1 - 11<sup>th</sup> Av – Parsha: Vaeschanan**  
**Candle Lighting**  
**Not Before: 7:10 pm / Not After: 8:23 pm**

**Friday Evening**

Mincha / Kabbalat Shabbat* / Maariv <b>Late</b> Mincha/ Kabbalat/ Maariv	6:55 pm 8:25 pm
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**Shabbat Morning**

Shacharit: <b>Hashkama – Sanctuary</b>	<b>7:20 am</b>
Shacharit: <b>Main – Sanctuary</b>	<b>9:00 am</b>
<b>Late Shacharit: Jerusalem Hall</b>	<b>9:30 am</b>
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**Shabbat Afternoon**

Early Mincha at Shul	6:30 pm
Late Mincha at Shul	7:55 pm
Shalosh Seudos at Home	Before 8:40 pm
Maariv at Home and in Shul	9:28 pm - followed by Havdala

**Weekday Davening: August 2 – August 7**

Shacharit: Sunday and <b>Monday (Civic Holiday)</b>	<b>8:00 am</b>
Shacharit: Tuesday - Friday	Early Minyan Late Minyan
Mincha: Sunday – Thursday	6:45 am 8:00 am

**Next Shabbat: August 7 / August 8, 2020 – 18<sup>th</sup> Av**

**Parsha: Eikev**

Friday August 7: Candle Lighting:	Not Before Not After	7:03 pm 8:14 pm
Early Mincha / Kabbalat Shabbat / Maariv		6:50 pm
Late Mincha / Kabbalat Shabbat / Maariv		8:20 pm

**Shabbat August 8: Shabbat End**

9:17 pm	
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**11: 15 AM JOIN US THIS SHABBAT FOR AN OUTDOOR KIDDUSH**

(Social Distancing applies)

Sponsored by

Seymour & Joelle Stein, in memory of Anne Stein

and

Dr. Alex Pister in honour of the ATCS and Rabbi & Rebbetzin Rothman

# MASK OR FACE COVERING REQUIRED



Exceptions include people who cannot wear a mask for medical reasons, children under the age of five or those who require accommodation in accordance with the Ontario Human Rights Code.

Stay safe. Stay informed.  
[york.ca/COVID19](http://york.ca/COVID19)

YORK  
Region

As of now it is a law that everyone is required to wear a face mask or face covering when in the building. Please do not enter without a face mask or face cover.

# OUTDOOR KIDDUSH IS BACK!

SHABBAT - AUGUST 1  
AFTER DAVENING - 11:15AM

JOIN US FOR PHYSICALLY-DISTANCED,  
OUTDOOR KIDDUSH!

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MEMORY OF ANNE STEIN  
AND BY DR. ALEX PISTER  
IN HONOUR OF THE ATCS &  
RABBI AVRAM & RUTHIE ROTHMAN



# **ATCS Presents: An Interview with Rabbi Warren Goldstein, Chief Rabbi of South Africa**



Rabbi Dr. Warren Goldstein is the Chief Rabbi of South Africa and founder of The Shabbos Project, which has united Jews in over 900 cities through the keeping of one Shabbat together. The Chief Rabbi has a PhD in human rights and constitutional law and is a regular columnist for the Jerusalem Post.



**SUNDAY, AUG 2  
11:30AM TORONTO TIME  
JOIN AT:  
[US02WEB.ZOOM.US/J/86096800992](https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86096800992)  
OR CALL - 647 374 4685**

# RABBI ROTHMAN'S NEIGHBOURHOOD - A NEW WEEKLY ZOOM SERIES WITH RABBI ROTHMAN



An engaging & entertaining virtual interview  
between Rabbi Rothman and a new ATCS  
member each week

**This week's guests:**  
**Rabbi Shaanan &**  
**Emma Scherer**



**WEDNESDAY, AUG 5 @ 8:30 PM**

JOIN AT:  
[US02WEB.ZOOM.US/J/88485130742](https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88485130742)  
OR CALL IN AT: 647 558 0588



## Pivot Turn - as appeared on Aish.com July 25<sup>th</sup>, 2020

by [Jody Berkel](#)

### Dancing my way towards a deeper relationship with God and the Jewish people.

I've always loved to dance. I danced my way through high school and university as an interactive dancer for bar and bat mitzvahs, often doing four parties a weekend which left me barely able to walk by Sunday night. My dance partner and I created *Let's Dance Entertainment Inc*, a completely new form of children's entertainment in Toronto. Our high energy kids' entertainment quickly expanded to a mobile entertainment company, specializing in an array of creative themes, including a Style Studio, karaoke, spa and music video dance parties as well as corporate holiday parties and after-school programs.

This business kept me busy for 25 years and then... pivot turn. I chose to take a completely new direction with my life.

It started after the birth of our second child. I felt this overwhelming sense of [gratitude](#) to God. I've always been a grateful person but this was different. I believed in God but I didn't have a *relationship* with Him. I didn't know how to fully express my gratitude. My aunt, whose son was becoming observant, called me and asked, "Jody, do you want to come to a Torah class?"

"I don't even know what a Torah class is," I replied, "but maybe going will be one way I can say thank you to God for all the blessings in my life."

So I went and... mind blown.

I went back the next week, and the week after that and I haven't stopped for the past 11 years. My 2011 trip on the Momentum trip put my desire to grow Jewishly on overdrive. I was instilled with a deep sense of responsibility to the Jewish people, and felt that the fate of the Jewish people was largely in the hands of the Jewish women. I knew that if I didn't give my children the basics of Judaism, they wouldn't get it. And I no longer wanted to be a weak link in the incredible chain of the Jewish people.

I heard a quote from [Rabbi Noah Weinberg](#) ob"m, the founder of Aish Hatorah: "If you want to represent the Jewish people, you have to know what the Jewish people represent." So I started to educate myself in order to educate my children, getting involved in holiday and community events at every opportunity. My family's slow and steady growth towards living a deeper, more committed Jewish life has been an incredible journey of ups and downs, twists and turns.

One of our larger growing pains came with the decision to move our son, entering fifth grade from public school to Jewish Day School. I remember that first week of school, as we spoke about how it was going. He said, "You put me into this school to learn, but do you know what I do for half the day – the Hebrew half of the day? I just sit there and stare at the walls because I haven't got a clue what anyone is saying." With love and support I shared with our son the story of Rabbi Akiva, and of how at age 40 he began to learn the *aleph beit*, the Hebrew alphabet, and how he ultimately became one of our greatest Sages. "If Rabbi Akiva can begin at age 40 and reach such heights in Torah knowledge," I said to him, "then at age 10 you've already got a head start on him."

Today, our son is learning in a yeshiva high school. This is nothing short of a miracle.

As I began to delve deeper into the beauty and wisdom of the Torah, I felt as if I have discovered a great treasure, a treasure that always belonged to me but that I wasn't even aware I had. Once I recognized that this treasure belongs to every single Jew, I knew I could not keep this all to myself. Beyond sharing my love and passion of Judaism with my family, I felt a responsibility to reach out to my Jewish brothers and sisters as well.

When I first told my mother that I was going to teach a Torah class, she responded, "But you don't know that much?" I replied, "Rabbi Noah Weinberg said that if you know *aleph*, teach *aleph*. Whatever you know, share and teach." This deep sense of responsibility to my family and my community prompted me to continue to learn and teach, sharing my passion and love of Judaism with others. To that end, I began creating opportunities for other women and their families to learn and get involved in giving back to their communities.

Becoming a city leader on a number of Momentum trips to Israel, where I went from participant to leader, was incredibly meaningful. The opportunity to give back to others and share the beauty of Judaism with other women who are just starting their journey overwhelmed me. One moment stands out, it was Friday night and one woman on my trip asked for help when washing her hands before we make a blessing over bread. I choked back tears as I gently showed her how to do it, remembering what it felt like not so long ago to be on the receiving end. It was full circle moment for me.

How did I get here? God asks us to create a small opening for Him, and He will open the whole world for us. That opening is gratitude. When we recognize our blessings and how our unique talents and abilities have been sent by the Almighty who loves us more than anything, our feelings of gratitude will overflow.

Our morning prayers begin with thanking God for directing the steps of each person. In every baby step I have taken towards a greater awareness and knowledge of what it means to be a Jew and represent the Jewish people, I have felt His loving embrace.

Life is a dance; we turn this way and that way in the choreography of our lives. When we understand that our partner is the Almighty, the choreographer of *all* life, each pivot turn we make to get closer to Him is always a step in the right direction.

WE ARE LOOKING FOR YOU!



## AISH THORNHILL COMMUNITY SHUL YOUTH CHESED INITIATIVE

*Be part of a community of fellow volunteers!*

**JOIN US AS WE DO WHAT WE CAN FOR OUR COMMUNITY**

From Tisha B'Av July 30th until September 2nd

Help a community member, help your parents, grandparents or sibling.

Clean up your neighbourhood park, etc. Keep track of your chesed hours on the sheet provided.

Submit your completed form signed by a parent or guardian to

David Toledo at [davidtoley@gmail.com](mailto:davidtoley@gmail.com) on September 3rd.

First, 2nd and 3rd place prizes will be awarded.

# ATCS YOUTH CHESED INITIATIVE

Thursday July 30 - Wednesday September 2, 2020



WEEK	ACTIVITIES	TOTAL HOURS
1. THURS JULY 30 - WED AUG 5		<input type="checkbox"/>
2. THURS AUG 6 - WED AUG 12		<input type="checkbox"/>
3. THURS AUG 13 WED AUG 19		<input type="checkbox"/>
4. THURS AUG 20 - WED AUG 26		<input type="checkbox"/>
5. THURS AUG 27 - WED SEPT 2		<input type="checkbox"/>

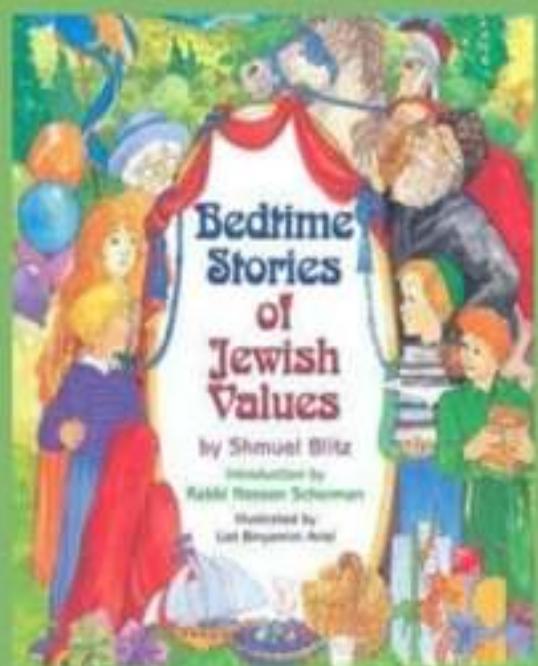
TOTAL HOURS: \_\_\_\_\_

PARENT'S COMMENTS: \_\_\_\_\_

PARENT'S SIGNATURE: \_\_\_\_\_

Submit completed forms to David Toledano at [davidtoley@gmail.com](mailto:davidtoley@gmail.com)

# ZOOMIN BEDTIME STORIES



Log into Zoom and join  
**Tehilla Botwink**  
as she reads to your kids;  
**Jewish Bedtime Stories**

RECOMMENDED FOR KIDS AGES 7 AND UNDER

**RESUMES**

**Sunday July 19 at 7:00 pm**

**Zoom: Meeting ID: 763 5361 7514**  
**Password: HelloStory**

## Cholim List – Please Remember Them in Your Tefillot

### Men

Aryeh Leib ben Esther Hadas\*  
 Shlomo Yosef HaCohen ben Tzina\*  
 Dovid ben Esther Malka\*  
 Reuvain Ephraim ben Faygie  
 Shimon Alexander ben Chana Riva  
 Yehuda ben Sarah\*  
 Amran ben Rivkah  
 Yishaia Dovid ben Chasha Baila  
 Eliezer Shmuel ben Alta Leah\*  
 Shlomo ben Razel\*  
 Shachneh ben Riva\*  
 Baruch Alon ben Aviva\*  
 Dov ben Batsheva\*  
 Pesach Dovid ben Aidel  
 Oleg ben Elvera  
 Yisrael Meir ben Chana  
 Yaakov ben Leah Devorah  
 Avraham Yaakov ben Golda Leah  
 Yona Rachamim ben Chaya Rina\*

### Women

Dinah bat Esther\*  
 Victoria bat Beyla Perl\*  
 Ita bat Sara Rivkah\*  
 Miriam bat Sora Slata\*  
 Chaya bat Malka\*  
 Bayla bat Leah Gila\*  
 Fremit Golda Chana bat Henya\*  
 Tova bat Dubby\*  
 Bayla bat Simma Devorah\*  
 Rochal bat Alta Chaya\*  
 Yocha Leni Bas Davorah Etta\*  
 Nechama bas Sheva\*  
 Rochel bat Matel \*  
 Shulamit Yechiella bat Ita Rachel\*  
 Malka Nechama bat Charna Merrill\*  
 Bluma Rose bat Sara  
 Shoshana Tsipora bat Flava Baila  
 Shayndel Chaya bat Leah  
 Esther bat Chava  
 Etel bat Sara  
 Batsheva bat Arina\*  
 Chana bas Chana  
 Nira Chana bat Chaya  
 Ilana bat Ida

### IN CASE YOU MISSED IT-

**Links to recent Zoom interviews with Rabbi Rothman**

**ATCS Virtual Dinner - <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=OHzwTFytFQQ>**

**Daniel Ventresca - From Disillusioned Catholic to Passionate Jew**  
 - <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=RifALkG8j7g>

**Rabbi Rothman Interviews Rabbi Strauchler of Shaarei Shomayim**  
 - <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=YKKZ4vHLgbI>

**My Battle Against Addiction - with Ori Goldstein**  
 - [https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=93H2WhZ\\_ms](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=93H2WhZ_ms)