

# Youth Happenings @ Congregation Etz Chaim

**Feb. 16 , 2019, Parshat Tetzaveh, 10 Adar I 5779**



## Tetzaveh Times & Numbers

Candle Lighting- 5:14pm

Mincha- 5:15

Shacharit- 9:00 am

Teen Minyan- 9:45am

Tot Shabbat- 10:15

Junior Cong.- 10:15

Mincha- 5:05 pm

Shabbos Ends- 6:14pm



NUMBER OF MITZVOT: 7

4 Mitzvot Aseh, 3 Mitzvah Lo Taseh

NUMBER OF PESUKIM: 101

NUMBER OF WORDS: 1412

NUMBER OF LETTERS: 5430

**ROCK N' ROLL & JUDAISM  
RETURNS ON TUESDAY, FEBRUARY  
26<sup>TH</sup> 5:45PM- GRADES 8-12  
DINNER WILL BE SERVED.**

## IMAGES OF ISRAEL

**A FUN, EDUCATIONAL, AND PRIZE-LOADED GAME  
AFTER JR. CONG ON MARCH 9TH.**



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## THE OIL TOIL

Moshe makes an appeal for olive oil. But not just any olive oil. This oil will be used to light the *Menorah*, so it must be pure. When an olive is pressed to release its oil, the first few drops are the purest. Only those first few drops can be used for the *Menorah*. (The rest of the oil can be used for other things in the *Mishkan* like *Mincha* flour offerings on the *Mizbayach*). It turns out that only the Princes of the *Shvatim* have pure enough olive oil for the *Menorah*. This oil burns so brightly that it is said that during the times of the *Bait Hamikdash* the rays of the *Menorah* lit all the alleyways of *Yerushalayim*.

Only a *Kohain* can light the *Menorah*. Another *Kohain* however, gets his two cents into this *mitzvah* as well. Each morning a *Kohain* will walk up the stepping stool that is placed before the *Menorah*, clean out the ashes from the lamps that rest on the *Menorah*'s branches. The old wicks get replaced with fresh ones. Then fresh olive oil is poured from a "half-log bottle" (a "log" equals about half a pint). Of course, the olive oil's got to be the purest, as stated above.

One of the seven lamps of the *Menorah*, the middle light, called the *Nair Ma'aravi* (Western Light), which did not receive any more oil than the other lamps, would always be burning when a *Kohain* came to clean the *Menorah* in the morning. The *Kohain* who lit the *Menorah* in the evening would always use the fire from the still-burning *Nair Ma'aravi*. This *Nes* (miracle) was a sign that *Hashem's Shechina* was in the *Mishkan*.

## "Quote of the Week"

*"A man's greatness is in direct proportion to his humility.  
The two are interdependent."*

-The Rav aka Rabbi Joseph Soloveichik Z"L

## DID YOU KNOW.....

Did you know there's a big misconception regarding the walls of Jericho? Many people think that *all* of the outer walls of the city collapsed after Joshua and his army circled them 7 times.

However, archeological studies have shown that this did not happen. Fortunately, Radak says the same thing! He clearly states that only part of the walls collapsed- those in front of the Jewish army...and indeed archeology shows that indeed there is evidence of a partial collapse. The text also adds evidence to this, as early in Joshua it says Rachav and her family lived in part of the walls, and later it says the army came to her home and rescued her...after the walls collapsed! So clearly those parts of the walls still stood.

## MIDDLE RIDDLE ?????

Yoni is away this week so it's just for fun.

You might think I'm a string  
But I'm a different thing  
I am something holy that is worn  
But it's impossible for part of me to be torn

### LAST WEEK:

We made the Mishkan, as you will read  
It was quite complicated, not an easy deed  
Betzael was most definitely the man  
But I gave him a helping hand  
A- Oholiab

**THE SHABBAT OF FEBRUARY 23  
SPECIAL KIDS SERVICES WILL BE  
HELD IN THE BET MIDRASH AT 10:15  
AM. Grades 2-6.**



**SAVE THE DATE-  
LUNCH AT THE  
YOUTH HOUSE  
GRADES 8-12-  
SHABBAT OF 3/2/19**

### YU SEFORIM SALE TRIP WITH NCSY

If your school doesn't take an organized trip to the Seforim Sale at Yeshiva University, join the NCSY trip to see what it is all about! Get a free Jewish book, start to learn your book with an advisor, and dinner. We have a van with 10 spots, so registration is required. **IT'S ALL FREE!**

**SUNDAY- FEB. 24  
5-8:30PM  
REGISTER AT:  
NEWJERSEY.NCSY.ORG**

**12:30  
TO  
3:30 PM**

**SUNDAY  
FEBRUARY 24TH**



# Cookin' it up

Grades 7-12

For more info. or to register please talk to Yoni

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### MIDOT MATTER MOST:

**CONFIDENCE +  
KINDNESS= COOLNESS**

Altruism- Al-tru·ism

(אַלְטְרוּיִזְם) *n.*

1. Unselfish concern for the welfare of others; selflessness.
2. Zoology-behavior by an animal that is not beneficial to or may be harmful to itself but that benefits others of its species.

What are we  
doing?



We will be cooking and  
packaging meals that  
will be donated to Toni's  
Kitchen for seniors in  
need.