

**Parashah 15 Bo (Go)**

**Day 8 of 11th Biblical month**

Day 9 of Tevet the 4th Jewish month of 5777.

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## TEHILLAH = Service of Praise

Welcome to Beit Gan-Eden (House [of] Paradise)! We are gathered here in the name of our righteous Messiah, Yeshua, to worship our Heavenly Father (Abba). Yeshua tells us. "Y'HoVaH is Spirit and worshipers must worship Him in spirit and in truth." Yochanan (John) 4:24. Shabbat Shalom, everyone!

## TEFILLAH = Service of Prayer

All sing: "Sh'ma Yisrael, Y'HoVaH Eloheinu, Y'HoVaH echad. (*Deu 6:4*)  
**Baruch Shem kavod malchuto, le'olam va'ed!"**

All say: "Hear, O Isra'el, Y'HoVaH our Elohim, Y'HoVaH is one!  
**Blessed be His Name. His glorious Kingdom is for ever and ever."**

Leader: "V'ahavta et Y'HoVah elohecha b'kol l'vav'cha u'v'kol nafsh'cha u'v'kol m'odecha." All say: "And you shall love Y'HoVaH your Elohim with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your might. (*Deut 6:5*) And Yeshua said: "Love your neighbour as yourself. All the Torah and the prophets are dependent on these two mitzvot." (*Mat 22:37-40*)

Leader: "Y'HoVaH hu Yeshua HaMashiach". (*Phil 2:11; 1Cor 12:3; Luke 2:11*)

All say: "Yeshua the Messiah He is LORD". Amen.

## BLESSING THE CHILDREN B'rachot Yeledim ברכות ילדים

Parents to their boys: "May Y'HoVaH make you, (name/s) like Efrayim and M'nasheh (and personalise) **Genesis 27: 27b-29.**

Parents to their girls: "May Yah make you, (name) like Sarah, Rivkah, Rachel and Leah (and personalise) **Num 6:24-26.**

All pray together: "Heavenly Abba preserve these children for their fathers and mothers. May they be led into a life of obedience and faith through the Tanakh and Ketuvei HaShelichim. Blessed are You, Yah of Avraham, Yitz'chak and Ya'akov, who watches over these precious children of Your servants. We ask this in Yeshua's Name, Amein." **Prayer for Israel.**

## TORAH = Service of The Word

### Parashah 15 Bo (Go)

**Torah:** Sh'mot (Exodus) 10:1 - 13:16

**Haftarah (Prophets):** Yirmeyahu (Jeremiah) 46:13-28

**Ketuvei HaShelichim** (Writing [of] the Apostles):

**Luke 2:22-24; Yochanan (John) 19:31-37;**

**Acts 13:16-17; Revelation 8:6-9:12; 16:1-21**

**Drashah (message):** M.Min. Tamar Yeomans

**Hazak, hazak, v'nit'chazek! (Be strong, be strong, and let us be strengthened!)**

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# MISHPACHAH MEMIOS

**PRANA CENTRE HAS NEW STREET NUMBER 832** (not 7027).

Gold Coast City Council Advise of the allocation of a street number change for the Prana Centre from 7027 to 832 Southport-Nerang Road, Nerang. Effective from 23rd December 20116. Emergency Services (eg fire and ambulance) have been notified of the change in street number.

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## SHABBAT SHUL (SCHOOL)

Children ages 6 (Prep) to 12 may attend with Mark Batakin. Younger children may attend with a parent. Shabbat Shul begins, in the adjoining room, straight after “Blessing the Children”, which is prior to the Parashah readings.

**Shabbat Shul ends at the start of the “Yeshua Remembrance Service” at which time parents are expected to resume proactive responsibility for their children.**

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**Drashah (message): M.Min. Tamar Yeomans**

Sh'mot (Exodus) 12:1-10; 13; 21-22; 43-48; 1Corinthians 5:7; Ephesians 2:1;

Revelation 3:14; Yochanan (John) 15:4; 14:20; Ephesians 1:16-17;

Romans 2:28-29; Ephesians 1:17-18; 19-23; 2:1; Colossians 2:10; 2-3.

*Notes:* .....

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## **IDF soldier convicted of manslaughter for killing wounded terrorist**

*www.KehilaNews.com Karen Faulkner Jan 5, 2017*



*IDF Sgt. Elor Azaria, the Israeli soldier, who shot dead a disarmed and injured Palestinian attacker in the West Bank city of Hebron a few months ago, is surrounded by family and friends as he awaits to hear his verdict in a courtroom at the Kirya military base in Tel Aviv, on January 04, 2017. Azaria was convicted for manslaughter. (Photo: Miriam Alster/Flash90)*

In a controversial case highlighting Israeli army rules against killing terrorists who have already been neutralized, a special military court in Tel Aviv found 19-year-old Israeli soldier Sgt. Elor Azaria guilty of manslaughter on Wednesday.

Azaria was convicted of unlawfully killing Palestinian terrorist Abed al Fatah al-Sharif in Hebron on March 24, 2016 after the terrorist had been incapacitated and posed no apparent threat.

Sharif and another Palestinian terrorist, who soldiers had immediately shot dead, stabbed an IDF soldier in the West Bank near Hebron. The attack came during a wave of deadly stabbings conducted by Palestinians against both citizens and security forces in Israel between 2015 and 2016.

Azaria arrived at the scene several minutes after Israeli forces had regained control of the situation. Sharif, was alive but lying on the ground wounded when Azaria shot him in the head. The killing was captured on camera by B'Tselem, a human rights group that monitors the conduct of the Israeli army toward Palestinians in the West Bank.

The case showcased Israeli's determination to deal with accusations from both inside Israel and abroad that the IDF carries out extrajudicial killings. Under IDF rules of engagement it is forbidden to kill a combatant who has surrendered or who has been neutralized.

Azaria's arrest and subsequent trial has caused an uproar in Israel. As a whole, the country identifies on a deep and powerful level with its army. With terror and war a relentless and continuous threat since Israel's became a state in 1948, conscription is mandatory for both men and women – and young IDF soldiers are viewed as putting their lives at risk to protect the population.

The nation, therefore, desires to stand by soldiers and not “abandon” them in times of trouble. “This is a hard and painful day for all of us,” Prime Minister Netanyahu said, capturing this sentiment. “The soldiers of the IDF are the sons and daughters of all of us.”

Despite public outcry, the defense and military establishment decided to indict Azaria. Former Defense Minister Moshe Yaalon stated that he and IDF



Chief of Staff Gadi Eisenkot watched the B'Tselem footage and decided, “If we don’t come out very clearly against this, that we denounce it, this behavior, then the Palestinians will accuse us — as they have for a long time — of committing extrajudicial killings, and that if we don’t stop this immediately,” there will be a Palestinian and international response.

Azaria has reportedly stated: “A terrorist posing a real danger to people in the field needs to be killed in order to neutralize the danger ... I had no backup from the Chief of Staff, from the ministers. I feel like they threw me to the dogs, maybe because of the media, the TV ... The media showed the video in a biased way, without any sound ... Whoever was in the field knows that the video means nothing.”

Irrespective of the particular facts in this instance, or what Azaria’s intentions were, the case also highlights the fact that soldiers serving mandatory, rather than professional, conscription in the IDF face dangerous situations and are forced to make split second decisions.

Defense lawyers have announced their intent to appeal the decision. Sentencing is scheduled for Jan. 15.

Sharif’s father, Yusir al Sharif, described the verdict as a “good step” and said he hoped no leniency will be shown in the sentencing.

Netanyahu, together with many others, has come out in favor of a pardon. The office of President Reuven Rivlin, who has the power to pardon, has issued a statement saying: “In the event that a pardons should be requested [by Azaria], it will be considered by the President in accordance with standard practices and after recommendations from the relevant authorities.”

### **A Hanukkah miracle: Hikers discover menorah engraving in Judean hills**

*Kehila News Israel Staff Jan 4, 2017*

The Israel Antiquities Authority announced the discovery by hikers over the Hanukkah weekend an ancient engraving of menorah, a seven-branched lamp stand, on the walls of a water cistern in the Judean hills.

*The menorah engraved on the wall. (Photo: Saar Ganor/Israel Antiquities Authority)*



Members of the Israel Caving Club went spelunking\* in a previously unexplored cave and found a cistern with dovecotes as well as iconic etchings and engravings on a nearby cave wall. They immediately reported this find to the Israel Antiquities Authority because they realized the importance and significance of their discovery.

Few symbols say “Jewish” like the menorah. Instructions for the design of the lamp stand are found in Exodus 25:31-40 and it became synonymous with both the First and Second Temple eras.

*\*Spelunking (noun): The act of exploring a cave.*



Experts say that to find a wall engraving of a menorah is rare. It corroborates scientific research regarding Jewish history and the demographics at the time of the Second Temple period.

That this was discovered during Hanukkah is quite symbolic.

Menorahs have been found on ancient clay lamps and other pieces of pottery but previous to this discovery, only two other engravings of menorahs have been found in this part of the Judean hills.

The base of the lamp stand etching is 3 feet long, which scientists say is a depiction of the menorah that was in the Second Temple in Jerusalem. The District Archaeologist of Ashkelon in the Israel Antiquities Authority Saar Ganor believes that the menorah was most likely etched onto the walls of the cistern around the time of Bar Kokhba. The dovecote also known as a columbarium is typical of the Second Temple time where doves and pigeons were an integral part of the sacrificial system for the Jewish people. Alongside the lamp stand was a cross which could have been added any time after that, as late as the fourth century.

The Israel Antiquities Authority will not reveal the exact location of the cave system to protect it and also to keep hikers safe. The hikers who made the discovery will be awarded a good citizenship certificate and get to participate in upcoming events in the area.

### **Hamas's Fatah and the No-State Solution**

*by Khaled Abu Toameh January 3, 2017*

[www.gatestoneinstitute.org/9707/hamas-fatah](http://www.gatestoneinstitute.org/9707/hamas-fatah)

Palestinian Authority President Mahmoud Abbas declared that 2017 will be the "year of international recognition of the State of Palestine."

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More bad news from the poll: if presidential elections were to be held today, Ismail Haniyeh, leader of the terrorist group Hamas, would beat Abbas by 49% to 45%.

Palestinians are now openly talking about two different Fatah factions. After Abbas's decision to strip the legislators of their parliamentary immunity, six Fatah PLC members participated in a Hamas-sponsored meeting of the PLC in the Gaza Strip. This was the first time since 2007 that such a move had been made.

Fatah leaders in the Gaza Strip, unlike their colleagues in the West Bank, are de facto recognizing the Hamas rule over the Gaza Strip. This is wonderful news for Hamas, whose leader, Ismail Haniyeh is likely to defeat Abbas in a presidential election.

The Fatah gunmen who marched in the Gaza Strip courtesy of Hamas are not supporters of Abbas. Instead, they represent the "other face" of Fatah -- the one that does not believe in any peace process with Israel and shares Hamas's ambition of destroying Israel.



During a celebration in Ramallah marking the 52nd anniversary of the

founding of his Fatah faction, Palestinian Authority (PA) President Mahmoud Abbas declared that 2017 will be the "year of international recognition of the State of Palestine." Hailing the recent anti-settlement UN Security Council resolution 2334, Abbas said he was prepared to work with the new administration of Donald Trump "to achieve peace in the region."

But while Abbas and his lieutenants were celebrating in Ramallah, at least 11 Palestinians were wounded in a scuffle that erupted between rival Fatah factions in the Gaza Strip. According to sources in the Gaza Strip, the fight broke out between Abbas loyalists and supporters of estranged Fatah leader Mohammed Dahlan. The confrontation, which was the most violent between the two sides in many years, is yet another sign of increasing schism in Fatah. Moreover, it is an indication of how Abbas's control over his own faction is slipping through his hands. Hamas policemen who were at the scene did not interfere to break up the fight between the warring Fatah activists.

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Abbas says he wants to work with the Trump Administration to achieve peace in the Middle East, yet he cannot even achieve peace in his very own faction.

Abbas's speech coincided with a new public opinion poll that showed that 64% of Palestinians want him to step down. The poll, conducted by the Ramallah-based Palestinian Center for Policy and Survey Research, also showed that two-thirds of Palestinians do not believe that the current Fatah leadership can achieve their aspirations. The poll's findings show that the percentage of Palestinians who want Abbas to resign has risen over the past three months from 61% to 64%. More bad news from the poll: if presidential elections were to be held today, Ismail Haniyeh, leader of the terrorist group Hamas, would beat Abbas by 49% to 45%.

The results of the poll should not come as a surprise to those who have been monitoring Palestinian affairs for the past few years. Judging from the sentiments on the Palestinian street, there is good reason to believe that the 81-year-old Abbas, who is now in his 12th year of his four-year term in office, has long ago lost much of his credibility among his people. The real surprise is that only 64% of Palestinians want to see him gone.

Many Palestinians hold Abbas personally responsible for the continued and rapid deterioration in the Palestinian arena. They see his incompetent and failed leadership as the main reason behind the 2007 violent Hamas takeover of the Gaza Strip. As soon as Hamas started shooting, Abbas's fragile, corrupt and strife-ridden Palestinian Authority security forces collapsed. Critics of Abbas say that lack of leadership and decision-making on his part facilitated the Hamas seizure of the Gaza Strip.

Yet over the years, it has become evident that Abbas has not only lost the Gaza Strip and its two million inhabitants to Hamas, but that he is also losing control over his own Fatah faction there. Abbas has managed to alienate many Fatah leaders and activists in the Gaza Strip (most of whom are not necessarily affiliated with his arch-rival, Dahlan) to a point where Palestinians are now openly talking about two different Fatah factions.



## YESHUA REMEMBRANCE SERVICE

<sup>31</sup> "Here, the days are coming," says Y'HoVaH, "when I will make a new Covenant with the house of Isra'el and with the house of Y'udah. <sup>32</sup> It will not be like the covenant I made with their fathers on the day I took them by their hand and brought them out of the land of Egypt; because they, for their part violated My Covenant, even though I, for my part, was a husband to them," says Y'HoVaH. <sup>33</sup> "For this is the Covenant I will make with the house of Israel after those days," says Y'HoVaH, "I will put My Torah within them and write it on their hearts; I will be their Elohim, and they will be My people. (Yirem'yahu [*Jeremiah*] 31:31-33)

**Congregation:** *Isa 12:2* "See! Elohim is my salvation; I am confident and unafraid; for Y'HoVaH Elohim is my strength and my song, and He has become my salvation!" *Isa 12:3* Then you will joyfully draw water from the springs of salvation. *Ps 3:8* Victory comes from Y'HoVaH; may Your blessing rest on Your people. *Ps 46:7* Y'HoVaH Tzva'ot is with us, our fortress, the Elohim of Ya'akov. *Leader:* "Baruch ata Y'HoVaH, Eloheinu Melech Ha'olam, ha motze lechem m'in ha eretz." (divide challah)

**Congregation:** "Blessed are You Y'HoVaH our Elohim, King of the Universe who has brought forth bread from the earth. Y'HoVaH Tzva'ot, how happy is anyone who trusts in You! (Ps 84:12). Give victory Y'HoVaH! Let the King answer us the day we call. (Ps 20:9) I will take the cup of redemption and call upon the Name, Y'HoVaH. (Ps 116:13).

*Leader:* (with cup in right hand) "The cup of deliverance I raise and in the Name of Y'HoVaH, Yeshua HaMashiach, I call: Baruch atah Y'HoVaH, Eloheinu Melech, ha'olam, boray p'ri ha'gafen." (Replace cup with spices)

**Congregation:** Blessed are You, Y'HoVaH our Elohim, King of the universe, who creates the fruit of the vine.

*Leader:* Lifting spice container in right hand, says... "Baruch atah Y'HoVaH, Eloheinu Melech ha'olam, boray meenee besamim."

**Congregation:** Blessed are You, Y'HoVaH our Elohim, King of the universe, who creates the various spices.

*Leader:* As Avram gave to Malki-Tzedek according to B'resheet (Genesis) 14:18-20, let us all come and bring our offering; then take some Chullah; smell the spices; take your cup, return to your seats and wait, so we can partake together.

*Leader:* Pray in relation to what Yeshua has done in connection with the day's Torah portion. "Let us eat and drink together".

**Malachi & Tamar:** Aharonic Blessing (see Num 6:22-27). Our Abba and Elohim of our fathers, we thank you for the joy and rest of this Shabbat. May the coming week bring gladness & peace, health & achievement. Like the fragrance of the besamim, we pray that the days ahead bring sweetness to our lives and the lives of our loved ones. May the peace, which we are enjoying linger till we gather for Shabbat next week. We ask this in Yeshua's name, Amein.

