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# CHALINE

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## FROM THE RABBI

As we sit at the table on Passover night, we recite kiddush and soon thereafter we recite the *Ma Nishtana*, the famous four questions. In essence, these questions ask what is the purpose of this festive meal, the celebration and the holiday itself. Why do we have all these different and usual foods, and the lengthy discussion before we get to eat the delicacies. The short answer comes quickly enough. *Avadim Hayeenu* – We were slaves to Pharaoh in Egypt and this is the anniversary of our redemption and freedom. We must retell the story and learn a lesson from our experience.

We came to Egypt in order to escape the famine that enveloped the Middle East. And then, since we were strangers, we were enslaved, beaten and forced to perform hard labor. Our children were drowned and murdered. We suffered greatly, until God finally took us out of Egypt in order to form our own identity and nation and go our own land.

As Jews, we believe that God plays a role in our history and destiny. This suffering that we experienced was predicted during the covenant between the pieces (Genesis 15:12-14) when God told Abraham that we, his descendents, will certainly return to the land where he was living.

We didn't become enslaved by chance. God apparently wanted this to happen. So, at the seder table we not only celebrate our freedom, but we also ask “why?”. What was the purpose of the slavery, what lesson are we to learn from the experience?

The rabbis suggest that the purpose of the slavery in Egypt was in order to mold us into a nation that develops instinctive values that we can teach the rest of the world. The Torah repeats often a very special mitzvah that we are commanded to love the stranger in our midst, not to oppress the stranger, to help and assist the stranger, and treat him and her with the same respect due to a fellow citizen.

The reason, so often stated in the Torah is because “you were strangers in the land of Egypt”. You know what it feels like to be treated differently, to be oppressed and discriminated against, to be made to feel like “another”. You experienced it and I expect you to learn to act differently, to act with compassion, to offer help, to assist the other to integrate into society. And teach this to the world.

An amazing mitzvah is found in Deuteronomy 23:8. “Do not abhor an Egyptian, for you were a stranger in his land”. The Egyptians enslaved us and murdered our children, yet we are told not to abhor them? The answer that we give at the seder is – yes! We must show by example how to treat the strangers in your midst.

I am writing this column as the war is raging in Ukraine. Civilians are being murdered; women and children are fleeing as refugees. I have heard that some people question our concern for them given the history of how the Jews were treated in Ukraine and in so many other European countries during the Shoah. Pesach teaches us that we must act differently. We have now the opportunity to help the unfortunate people who are strangers in our community and in other places throughout the world. We are obligated to do so.

When we see that so many European countries are now standing up and offering help, we may be able to take credit for their realization that strangers must be treated with kindness and assistance. God's lesson has not been lost. As we celebrate our own freedom, we can also give thanks that God does act and play a role in our destiny and in the destiny of the world.

From my family to yours, I wish you all a *chag kasher v'sameach* – may you have a joyous and kosher Pesach holiday.

Rabbi Zev Silber

## From the President

I wish all our members and friends a happy and healthy Pesach.

Saba Wiesner

## Thank You

I wish to say thank you to all those who made donations in memory of my beloved husband, Howard Buschman.

Ruth Buschman

## PESACH SCHEDULE

Thursday, April 14

*Bedikat Chametz* – Search for the Chametz

after 8:26 pm

**Chol Hamoed**

Mon – Thur, April 18-21 Shacharit 6:50 am

Mon - Wed, April 18-20 Mincha/Ma'ariv 7:35 pm

### Erev Pesach

Friday, April 15

**Shacharit in shul**

7:00 am

*Siyum* approximately 7:30 am

Latest time for eating chametz

10:50 am

Latest time for burning *chametz*

11:57 am

Candle lighting

7:26 pm

Mincha/Maariv

7:30 pm

### Last Days Pesach

Thursday, April 21

Candle lighting 7:33 pm

Mincha/Ma'ariv 7:35 pm

Friday, April 22

Shacharit **in shul** 9:30 am

Mincha/Ma'ariv 7:35 pm

Candle lighting *before* 7:34 pm

### Pesach

Friday, April 15

*Kiddush* at seder after 8:27 pm

Shabbat, April 23

Shacharit **in shul** 9:00 am

Yizkor approximately 10:45 am

Mincha/Ma'ariv 7:35 pm

Yom Tov ends 8:36 pm

Shabbat, April 16

Shacharit **in shul**

9:30 am

Mincha/Ma'ariv

7:20 pm

Candle Lighting and *Kiddush* at seder after 8:28 pm

Sunday, April 17

Shacharit **in shul** 9:30 am

Mincha/Ma'ariv

7:30 pm

Yom Tov ends

8:29 pm

## Maot Chitim – Passover Charity

We all know how expensive it is to purchase all our Pesach foods and needs. We cannot forget that we have an obligation to help those less economically able to do their own purchases and enjoy the Seder and the holiday. This special charity to provide for Jewish poor the ability to purchase Pesach provisions is called Maot Chitim.

Beth David and Jewish Family Service are working together to provide for the needs of local poor. In order to assure that the money is available to enable the poor to shop before Pesach, we ask that you send your check no later than Thursday, April 7. Checks may be made payable to Beth David Synagogue Rabbi's Discretionary Fund or to Jewish Family Service, noting that it is for Passover Charity. Checks may be mailed to the office of either organization.

Please do not hesitate to text or email Rabbi Silber with a pledge for this purpose if you cannot get to the check to the shul office before these deadlines, and he will advance the funds on your behalf.

## Pesach Customs and Practices

**When:** Pesach begins on Friday, April 15<sup>th</sup> at night, and lasts through the day of Shabbat, April 23<sup>rd</sup>.

**Prohibition of Chametz:** It is not only forbidden to eat *chametz* on Pesach, it is also forbidden to have *chametz* in our possession or in our sight. Therefore, a thorough **cleaning** of all places where *chametz* may be found is required by the night of Thursday, April 14. What is required is to clean all places where *chametz* may be found, used or stored in our homes, basement, pantries, offices, cars, purses and book bags. Don't forget your talit bag! Spring cleaning of rooms and areas that never have *chametz* there is not necessary. *Chametz* products that we are not consuming or throwing away before Pesach should be stored in a closed or covered cabinet. Dishes and utensils used for *chametz* should also be stored separately in order to avoid the mistaken use of these during Pesach.

**Kitchen Preparation:** We only use Pesach dishes, utensils and cookware on Pesach. The kitchen counters and appliances must be made Kosher for Pesach before any food for Passover is prepared in or on them. The **kashering** process differs for each appliance or utensil, and some may not be koshered at all. Please consult a reliable source for the laws and method of kashering, and do not hesitate to ask the rabbi for assistance. Many of the major supervising agencies have kashering guides on their web sites. Kashering must be completed before you burn the *chametz*.

**Shopping:** Buy only products with a Kosher for Passover label from a reliable supervisory organization. The primary reliable agencies are the OU, the Star-K, the Chof-K, the OK, and KAJ. Many other supervisory agencies are also acceptable, but consult the rabbi before purchasing a product with a kashrut symbol that you do not know if it is acceptable. Many products can be used on Pesach without a special marking, and most of the kashrut agencies have lists of these on their web sites. When in doubt, please ask the rabbi for assistance.

**Mechirat Chametz -- Selling of the Chametz:** The *chametz* that we have not consumed or disposed of before Pesach may not remain in our possession during the holiday. In order to avoid undue hardship or a large economic loss, arrangements can be made to sell the *chametz* to a non-Jew for the duration of the holiday. As indicated above, all *chametz* remaining in your home must be stored in a closed or covered cabinet. Non-Passover utensils can be stored separately since we do not need to sell these. In order to execute a legally and halachically binding sale, you must complete the authorization form found in this *ChaiLine* and submit it by 10:00 am on Friday, April 15. It is preferable to do this in person, but completed and signed forms submitted to the office, by mail, or by e-mail are also acceptable.

**Bedikat Chametz – Search for Chametz:** We check the house and search for any *chametz* that we may not have found during our cleaning after nightfall on Thursday, April 14. It is customary to place 10 pieces of *chametz* around the house prior to the search to make sure that our search is complete. Any *chametz* that we find during our search should be stored or disposed, except for that which we plan to burn the next morning. Before beginning the search, we recite a blessing, and following the search we recite a statement of nullification for any *chametz* that we may not have found. The blessing and nullification can be found in a siddur or Haggadah.

**Ta'anit Bechorim- Fast of the First Born:** The fast of First Born is held on Erev Pesach, Friday, April 15, to commemorate their deliverance from death during the tenth plague in Egypt. It is customary for the first-born to participate in a meal served in celebration of a *mitzvah*, such as a *Brit Mila* (circumcision) or *siyum* (the completion of a tractate of the Talmud). Those who attend one of these events celebrate with the partaking of refreshments and are then exempt from this fast. A *siyum* will be held at Beth David following *Shacharit* services.

**Bi'ur Chametz – Burning the Chametz:** It is prohibited to eat *chametz* on Erev Pesach, Friday, April 15 after 10:50 am. All *chametz* must be removed from our possession and the *chametz* found the night before during the search must be burned by 11:57 am. A statement of nullification of any *chametz* not found or disposed is recited at the time of burning. The statement can be found in a siddur or Haggadah.

**Matzah and food on Erev Pesach:** It is forbidden to eat matzah during the entire day of Erev Pesach in order that we may hunger for the taste of matzah at the Seder. Under some conditions, foods containing matzah meal may be eaten, as well as egg matzah, which we generally do not eat on Pesach. Please consult the rabbi for specifics. After 4:24 pm we may only eat small quantities of fruits, vegetables, meat, eggs or fish.

**Seder Preparation:** The special foods for the Seder plate for both *Sedarim* should be prepared during the day of Erev Pesach. The *Kiddush* at the Seder may not be recited until after nightfall on either night. The *afikoman* should be eaten before 1:03 AM. Some people have the custom of beginning *sefirat ha'omer* – the counting of the omer – at the second Seder instead of counting during the evening service.

## Pesach Customs and Practices (Continued)

**Candle Lighting and Havdalah:** Since the first night of Pesach is Friday night, candles must be lit by 7:26 pm and the blessing recited is *l'hadlik ner shel Shabbat v'shel Yom Tov*. The second night, candles are lit after 8:28 pm, and the blessing is *l'hadlik ner shel Yom Tov*, at which time preparations for the seder are permitted. **Please note that no preparation for the Seder, including setting the table, may not be done on Shabbat until after the conclusion of Shabbat at 8:28 pm and a havdalah statement (*baruch hamavdil bein kodesh l'kodesh*) is recited.** Havdalah is incorporated into the Kiddush recited at the seder, as is found in the Haggadah. Havdalah is recited on Sunday night after 8:29 pm, using only wine or grape juice. No candle or spices are used at this Havdalah.

For the last days which begin on Thursday night, April 21, the blessing on the candles is *l'hadlik ner shel Yom tov*. On Friday night, April 22, candles must be lit by 7:34 pm and the blessing is *l'hadlik ner shel Shabbat v'shel Yom Tov*. Havdalah is not recited at all until after Shabbat on April 23, after 8:36 pm, and the standard Havdalah for ending Shabbat is recited.

**Eruv Tavshilin – The Mixing of Cooked Foods:** The Biblical prohibition against labor on the Festivals specifically does not include the preparation or cooking of food. However, food may only be prepared for that day's use. When a *Yom Tov* falls on a Friday our Rabbis ruled that we are allowed to prepare food on the holiday for use on the Sabbath only if the preparation begins before the holiday. This is known as *Eruv Tavshilin*, or the "mixing of cooked foods", and is performed this year on the 4<sup>th</sup> day of Chol Hamoed, Thursday, April 21 during the day time, for the last days of Pesach.

With a *matzah* and any cooked food in hand (such as fish or a hard-boiled egg), we recite a blessing and declaration as is found in a siddur or Haggadah.

**After Pesach:** *Chametz* that was owned by a Jew during Pesach may not be consumed, even after Pesach. The *chametz* that you arranged to have been sold before Pesach will be returned to your possession at approximately 9:30 pm on Saturday, April 23. Price Chopper is Jewish owned and arranged for its *chametz* to be sold to a non-Jew through the Albany Vaad Hakashrut. Weis Markets is Jewish owned and the *chametz* in all the local stores was sold by me, while the stores in other areas have been arranged with other rabbis. The *chametz* at the local JCC, Hillel Academy and our synagogue was sold by me.

This information is accurate as of time of publication. If there are any changes which will affect the ability to purchase or consume *chametz* from or at any of these businesses, I will inform the congregation by e-mail. *If you do not receive e-mail updates from the synagogue, please send a request to [rabbisilber@stny.rr.com](mailto:rabbisilber@stny.rr.com) to be added to our distribution list.*

### **Give Double Chai**

Pesach will soon be here and we are all asked to dig a little deeper and make donations so that people less fortunate than we can celebrate the holiday in a proper manner. The members of Beth David have always been very generous and you can be sure that the recipients of these donations appreciate it very much.

We are always looking for sponsors so that the *ChaiLine* is self-supporting. Sponsorship is \$36.00 per issue, **Special Sponsorship is \$180.00**, and a thank-you or any other message is \$18.00. By sending your check (made out to Beth David Synagogue with *ChaiLine* written on the memo line, and a note telling us what you would like to say) to the Shul before the next deadline (5/22/2022) you will be included in the Shavuot issue.

From my house to yours, a happy and kosher Pesach.

Marlene Serkin

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**APRIL—MAY MINYAN TIMES**

**EVENINGS** (times vary)

*Friday and Shabbat – by Request only*

**MORNINGS** (times constant)

**Sunday**

8:30 am	Sunday – Thursday, March 20-24	7:00 pm
	Sunday – Thursday, March 27-31	7:10 pm
	Sunday – Thursday, April 3-7	7:20 pm
7:00 am	Sunday – Thursday, April 10-14	7:25 pm

**Monday – Friday**

*Except May 2, 31: 6:50 am  
Except May 30: 8:30 am*

**Friday – Thursday, April 15-21**

*See Pesach Schedule*

**Shabbat**

*Except April 23: 9:00 am*

9:30 am	Sunday – Thursday, April 24-28	7:40 pm
	Sunday – Thursday, May 1-5	7:50 pm
	Sunday – Thursday, May 8-12	7:55 pm
	Sunday – Thursday, May 15-19	8:05 pm
	Sunday – Thursday, May 22-26	8:10 pm
	Sunday – Thursday, May 29 – June 2	8:15 pm

Shabbat Mincha *after Kiddush when possible*  
*Maariv – by request only*

# SISTERHOOD

It is with great sadness that we note the loss of our long-time member and friend Paula Rubin. Paula's many contributions to the community included serving as President of Beth David Synagogue, President of Sisterhood, and most recently Sisterhood's Service Vice President. May she rest in peace.

On a happier note, we extend our thanks to the Kellman family who entertained Sisterhood members and friends at our pre-Purim zoom celebration.

We also offer our thanks to Lori Tuberman for once again organizing the baking of the hamantoshin which we enjoyed after the Megillah reading on Purim. This year's team of helpers included Susan Hubal, Bat Chen Kaplan with an assist by Zoe, Judy Silber, Cathy Velenchik, and Chaim Joy.

Now that Shabbos kiddushes have resumed, we ask everyone to please check the new kiddush assignment sheet, and offer their assistance whenever possible.

**Our next meeting will be Rabbi Zev Silber's annual Passover workshop on Wednesday March 30, at 7 pm on zoom. This year's bonus topic is Chad Gadya.**

Sisterhood's donor meeting is tentatively scheduled for Wednesday, May 11.

**On Wednesday, May 25, 2022, at 7 pm. Beth David Sisterhood will be hosting Inter-Sisterhood.** The program will feature Robert Rogers and Dr. David Sperber, in **"Rogers and Sperberstein - Better Than Never!"**, an evening of parodies of Broadway tunes, with a Jewish twist.

As always mitzvah card requests go to Toby Kohn, while your payment for mitzvah cards (\$3), outstanding Membership dues (\$25) donor (minimum \$25) or any other donations should be sent to our treasurer Kerry Wright.

Again we thank Beth David and Rabbi Silber for the use of the synagogue's zoom account for our programs, Rabbi David Serkin for designing our beautiful flyers, and Marlene Serkin for sending out our Sisterhood communications.

Chag Sameach. Happy Passover to all.

Cathy Velenchik Co- President Beth David Sisterhood

## Beth David Family

We turn our attention from Purim, where we celebrated with noise, remembrances, and hamantaschen, to Pesach, where we again recall the plight of our people through song and food and merriment of a different sort. While we remember our people's past struggles and give thanks for our redemption, we must keep in mind the suffering of the people of Ukraine, and pray for their survival and their freedom.

Yasher Koach to Jason Black, the son of Johnny and Shelley Goldman Black of Albany, who won the high school squat portion of the Suburban Council Weightlifting competition beating out 250 students by squatting 465 lbs. Jason's reputation on the field and in the weight room earned him a nomination and selection to the Prospect NY football camp in Albany in May. Mazal Tov to the whole family.

Harold and I enjoyed a one-week getaway cruise in the company of SarahLynn and Ami Adamit. The Adamits were in the states visiting their newest Teaneck granddaughter when their plans took a turn and they scheduled the cruise.

Susan and Michael Wright, Kerry Wright, and Trudy Greenspan spent three months at Trudy's south Florida Boynton Beach home. The first two months found them busy with home repairs, and the last month gave them time to bask in the Florida sunshine. They enjoyed visiting Roz and Harry Wiesel at their Boca Raton home. The Wright contingent returned north reversing the trail they took on their southbound journey, with stops at family in Savannah and Philadelphia.

Harold and I are bursting with nachas as our family continues to grow. The newest addition to our family tree is a girl, Aliza Rivka, daughter of our grandchildren Chezky and Sara Tuchman, and the granddaughter of Leslie and Michael Tuchman. In other Sasnowitz news, we celebrated the engagement of our granddaughter Menucha, daughter of Leslie and Michael Tuchman, to Yisrael Landau of Toronto.

With great sadness I note the passing of Paula Rubin, a legend at Beth David and the Greater Binghamton Jewish Community, whose input has lasting influence on the many boards she served. May Charles Rubin and children Mark and Lisha and grandchildren Andrew and Ethan find consolation among the mourners of Zion and Jerusalem.

Remember to keep me posted about the happenings of your family. Call me at 607-760-5207 or email at [msasnowitz@gmail.com](mailto:msasnowitz@gmail.com)

May you and your families have a meaningful Pesach,

Meryl Sasnowitz



בְּרוּךְ אַתָּה ה' אֱלֹהֵינוּ מֶלֶךְ הָעוֹלָם  
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16 Nisan	הַיּוֹם יוֹם אֶחָד לְעוֹמֵר. Today (Saturday evening, April 16 and Sunday, April 17) is 1 day to the Omer	Sat Eve / Sun ----- Apr 16/17	1
17 Nisan	הַיּוֹם שְׁנֵי יָמִים לְעוֹמֵר. Today (Sunday evening, April 17 and Monday, April 18) is 2 days to the Omer	Sun Eve / Mon ----- Apr 17/18	2
18 Nisan	הַיּוֹם שְׁלֹשָׁה יָמִים לְעוֹמֵר. Today (Monday evening, April 18 and Tuesday, April 19) is 3 days to the Omer	Mon Eve / Tues ----- Apr 18/19	3
19 Nisan	הַיּוֹם אַרְבָּעָה יָמִים לְעוֹמֵר. Today (Tuesday evening, April 19 and Wednesday, April 20) is 4 days to the Omer	Tues Eve / Wed ----- Apr 19/20	4
20 Nisan	הַיּוֹם חֲמִשָּׁה יָמִים לְעוֹמֵר. Today (Wednesday evening, April 20 and Thursday, April 21) is 5 days to the Omer	Wed Eve / Thurs ----- Apr 20/21	5
21 Nisan	הַיּוֹם שֵׁשָׁה יָמִים לְעוֹמֵר. Today (Thursday evening, April 21 and Friday, April 22) is 6 days to the Omer	Thurs Eve / Fri ----- Apr 21/22	6
22 Nisan	הַיּוֹם שִׁבְעָה יָמִים שֶׁהֵם שְׁבִיעַ אֶחָד לְעוֹמֵר. Today (Friday evening, April 22 and Saturday, April 23) is 7 days which is 1 week to the Omer	Fri Eve / Sat ----- Apr 22/23	7
23 Nisan	הַיּוֹם שְׁמוֹנֶה יָמִים שֶׁהֵם שְׁבִיעַ אֶחָד וַיּוֹם אֶחָד לְעוֹמֵר. Today (Saturday evening, April 23 and Sunday, April 24) is 8 days which is 1 week and 1 day to the Omer	Sat Eve / Sun ----- Apr 23/24	8
24 Nisan	הַיּוֹם תְּשַׁע יָמִים שֶׁהֵם שְׁבִיעַ אֶחָד וּשְׁנֵי יָמִים לְעוֹמֵר. Today (Sunday evening, April 24 and Monday, April 25) is 9 days which is 1 week and 2 days to the Omer	Sun Eve / Mon ----- Apr 24/25	9
25 Nisan	הַיּוֹם עֲשָׂרָה יָמִים שֶׁהֵם שְׁבִיעַ אֶחָד וּשְׁלֹשָׁה יָמִים לְעוֹמֵר. Today (Monday evening, April 25 and Tuesday, April 26) is 10 days which is 1 week and 3 days to the Omer	Mon Eve / Tues ----- Apr 25/26	10
26 Nisan	הַיּוֹם אֶחָד עָשָׂר יוֹם שֶׁהֵם שְׁבִיעַ אֶחָד וְאַרְבָּעָה יָמִים לְעוֹמֵר. Today (Tuesday evening, April 26 and Wednesday, April 27) is 11 days which is 1 week and 4 days to the Omer	Tues Eve / Wed ----- Apr 26/27	11
27 Nisan	הַיּוֹם שְׁנַיִם עָשָׂר יוֹם שֶׁהֵם שְׁבִיעַ אֶחָד וְחֲמִשָּׁה יָמִים לְעוֹמֵר. Today (Wednesday evening, April 27 and Thursday, April 28) is 12 days which is 1 week and 5 days to the Omer	Wed Eve / Thurs ----- Apr 27/28	12
28 Nisan	הַיּוֹם שְׁלֹשָׁה עָשָׂר יוֹם שֶׁהֵם שְׁבִיעַ אֶחָד וְשֵׁשָׁה יָמִים לְעוֹמֵר. Today (Thursday evening, April 28 and Friday, April 29) is 13 days which is 1 week and 6 days to the Omer	Thurs Eve / Fri ----- Apr 28/29	13
29 Nisan	הַיּוֹם אַרְבָּעָה עָשָׂר יוֹם שֶׁהֵם שְׁנֵי שְׁבִיעוֹת לְעוֹמֵר. Today (Friday evening, April 29 and Saturday, April 30) is 14 days which is 2 weeks to the Omer	Fri Eve / Sat ----- Apr 29/30	14
30 Nisan	הַיּוֹם חֲמִשָּׁה עָשָׂר יוֹם שֶׁהֵם שְׁנֵי שְׁבִיעוֹת וַיּוֹם אֶחָד לְעוֹמֵר. Today (Saturday evening, April 30 and Sunday, May 1) is 15 days which is 2 weeks and 1 day to the Omer	Sat Eve / Sun ----- Apr 30/May 1	15
1 Iyar	הַיּוֹם שֵׁשָׁה עָשָׂר יוֹם שֶׁהֵם שְׁנֵי שְׁבִיעוֹת וּשְׁנֵי יָמִים לְעוֹמֵר. Today (Sunday evening, May 1 and Monday, May 2) is 16 days which is 2 weeks and 2 days to the Omer	Sun Eve / Mon ----- May 1/2	16
2 Iyar	הַיּוֹם שְׁבַע עָשָׂר יוֹם שֶׁהֵם שְׁנֵי שְׁבִיעוֹת וּשְׁלֹשָׁה יָמִים לְעוֹמֵר. Today (Monday evening, May 2 and Tuesday, May 3) is 17 days which is 2 weeks and 3 days to the Omer	Mon Eve / Tues ----- May 2/3	17
3 Iyar	הַיּוֹם שְׁמוֹנֶה עָשָׂר יוֹם שֶׁהֵם שְׁנֵי שְׁבִיעוֹת וְאַרְבָּעָה יָמִים לְעוֹמֵר. Today (Tuesday evening, May 3 and Wednesday, May 4) is 18 days which is 2 weeks and 4 days to the Omer	Tues Eve / Wed ----- May 3/4	18
4 Iyar	הַיּוֹם תְּשַׁע עָשָׂר יוֹם שֶׁהֵם שְׁנֵי שְׁבִיעוֹת וְחֲמִשָּׁה יָמִים לְעוֹמֵר. Today (Wednesday evening, May 4 and Thursday, May 5) is 19 days which is 2 weeks and 5 days to the Omer	Wed Eve / Thurs ----- May 4/5	19
5 Iyar	הַיּוֹם עֲשָׂרִים יוֹם שֶׁהֵם שְׁנֵי שְׁבִיעוֹת וְשֵׁשָׁה יָמִים לְעוֹמֵר. Today (Thursday evening, May 5 and Friday, May 6) is 20 days which is 2 weeks and 6 days to the Omer	Thurs Eve / Fri ----- May 5/6	20
6 Iyar	הַיּוֹם אֶחָד וְעֶשְׂרִים יוֹם שֶׁהֵם שְׁלֹשָׁה שְׁבִיעוֹת לְעוֹמֵר. Today (Friday evening, May 6 and Saturday, May 7) is 21 days which is 3 weeks to the Omer	Fri Eve / Sat ----- May 6/7	21
7 Iyar	הַיּוֹם שְׁנַיִם וְעֶשְׂרִים יוֹם שֶׁהֵם שְׁלֹשָׁה שְׁבִיעוֹת וַיּוֹם אֶחָד לְעוֹמֵר. Today (Saturday evening, May 7 and Sunday, May 8) is 22 days which is 3 weeks and 1 day to the Omer	Sat Eve / Sun ----- May 7/8	22
8 Iyar	הַיּוֹם שְׁלֹשָׁה וְעֶשְׂרִים יוֹם שֶׁהֵם שְׁלֹשָׁה שְׁבִיעוֹת וּשְׁנֵי יָמִים לְעוֹמֵר. Today (Sunday evening, May 8 and Monday, May 9) is 23 days which is 3 weeks and 2 days to the Omer	Sun Eve / Mon ----- May 8/9	23
9 Iyar	הַיּוֹם אַרְבָּעָה וְעֶשְׂרִים יוֹם שֶׁהֵם שְׁלֹשָׁה שְׁבִיעוֹת וּשְׁלֹשָׁה יָמִים לְעוֹמֵר. Today (Monday evening, May 9 and Tuesday, May 10) is 24 days which is 3 weeks and 3 days to the Omer	Mon Eve / Tues ----- May 9/10	24



10 Iyar	היום חמשה ועשרים יום שהם שלשה שבועות וארבעה ימים לעומר. Today (Tuesday evening, May 10 and Wednesday, May 11) is 25 days which is 3 weeks and 4 days to the Omer	Tues Eve / Wed -----May 10/11	25
11 Iyar	היום ששה ועשרים יום שהם שלשה שבועות וחמשה ימים לעומר. Today (Wednesday evening, May 11 and Thursday, May 12) is 26 days which is 3 weeks and 5 days to the Omer	Wed Eve / Thurs -----May 11/12	26
12 Iyar	היום שבעה ועשרים יום שהם שלשה שבועות וששה ימים לעומר. Today (Thursday evening, May 12 and Friday, May 13) is 27 days which is 3 weeks and 6 days to the Omer	Thurs Eve / Fri -----May 12/13	27
13 Iyar	היום שמונה ועשרים יום שהם ארבעה שבועות לעומר. Today (Friday evening, May 13 and Saturday, May 14) is 28 days which is 4 weeks to the Omer	Fri Eve / Sat -----May 13/14	28
14 Iyar	היום תשעה ועשרים יום שהם ארבעה שבועות ויום אחד לעומר. Today (Saturday evening, May 14 and Sunday, May 15) is 29 days which is 4 weeks and 1 day to the Omer	Sat Eve / Sun -----May 14/15	29
15 Iyar	היום שלשים יום שהם ארבעה שבועות ושני ימים לעומר. Today (Sunday evening, May 15 and Monday, May 16) is 30 days which is 4 weeks and 2 days to the Omer	Sun Eve / Mon -----May 15/16	30
16 Iyar	היום אחד ושלשים יום שהם ארבעה שבועות ושלשה ימים לעומר. Today (Monday evening, May 16 and Tuesday, May 17) is 31 days which is 4 weeks and 3 days to the Omer	Mon Eve / Tues -----May 16/17	31
17 Iyar	היום שנים ושלשים יום שהם ארבעה שבועות וארבעה ימים לעומר. Today (Tuesday evening, May 17 and Wednesday, May 18) is 32 days which is 4 weeks and 4 days to the Omer	Tues Eve / Wed -----May 17/18	32
18 Iyar	היום שלשה ושלשים יום שהם ארבעה שבועות וחמשה ימים לעומר. Today (Wednesday evening, May 18 and Thursday, May 19) is 33 days which is 4 weeks and 5 days to the Omer	Wed Eve / Thurs -----May 18/19	33
19 Iyar	היום ארבעה ושלשים יום שהם ארבעה שבועות וששה ימים לעומר. Today (Thursday evening, May 19 and Friday, May 20) is 34 days which is 4 weeks and 6 days to the Omer	Thurs Eve / Fri -----May 19/20	34
20 Iyar	היום חמשה ושלשים יום שהם חמשה שבועות לעומר. Today (Friday evening, May 20 and Saturday, May 21) is 35 days which is 5 weeks to the Omer	Fri Eve / Sat -----May 20/21	35
21 Iyar	היום ששה ושלשים יום שהם חמשה שבועות ויום אחד לעומר. Today (Saturday evening, May 21 and Sunday, May 22) is 36 days which is 5 weeks and 1 day to the Omer	Sat Eve / Sun -----May 21/22	36
22 Iyar	היום שבעה ושלשים יום שהם חמשה שבועות ושני ימים לעומר. Today (Sunday evening, May 22 and Monday, May 23) is 37 days which is 5 weeks and 2 days to the Omer	Sun Eve / Mon -----May 22/23	37
23 Iyar	היום שמונה ושלשים יום שהם חמשה שבועות ושלשה ימים לעומר. Today (Monday evening, May 23 and Tuesday, May 24) is 38 days which is 5 weeks and 3 days to the Omer	Mon Eve / Tues -----May 23/24	38
24 Iyar	היום תשעה ושלשים יום שהם חמשה שבועות וארבעה ימים לעומר. Today (Tuesday evening, May 24 and Wednesday, May 25) is 39 days which is 5 weeks and 4 days to the Omer	Tues Eve / Wed -----May 24/25	39
25 Iyar	היום ארבעים יום שהם חמשה שבועות וחמשה ימים לעומר. Today (Wednesday evening, May 25 and Thursday, May 26) is 40 days which is 5 weeks and 5 days to the Omer	Wed Eve / Thurs -----May 25/26	40
26 Iyar	היום אחד וארבעים יום שהם חמשה שבועות וששה ימים לעומר. Today (Thursday evening, May 26 and Friday, May 27) is 41 days which is 5 weeks and 6 days to the Omer	Thurs Eve / Fri -----May 26/27	41
27 Iyar	היום שנים וארבעים יום שהם ששה שבועות לעומר. Today (Friday evening, May 27 and Saturday, May 28) is 42 days which is 6 weeks to the Omer	Fri Eve / Sat -----May 27/28	42
28 Iyar	היום שלשה וארבעים יום שהם ששה שבועות ויום אחד לעומר. Today (Saturday evening, May 28 and Sunday, May 29) is 43 days which is 6 weeks and 1 day to the Omer	Sat Eve / Sun -----May 28/29	43
29 Iyar	היום ארבעה וארבעים יום שהם ששה שבועות ושני ימים לעומר. Today (Sunday evening, May 29 and Monday, May 30) is 44 days which is 6 weeks and 2 days to the Omer	Sun Eve / Mon -----May 29/30	44
1 Sivan	היום חמשה וארבעים יום שהם ששה שבועות ושלשה ימים לעומר. Today (Monday evening, May 30 and Tuesday, May 31) is 45 days which is 6 weeks and 3 days to the Omer	Mon Eve / Tues -----May 30/31	45
2 Sivan	היום ששה וארבעים יום שהם ששה שבועות וארבעה ימים לעומר. Today (Tuesday evening, May 31 and Wednesday, June 1) is 46 days which is 6 weeks and 4 days to the Omer	Tues Eve / Wed - May 31/June 1	46
3 Sivan	היום שבעה וארבעים יום שהם ששה שבועות וחמשה ימים לעומר. Today (Wednesday evening, June 1 and Thursday, June 2) is 47 days which is 6 weeks and 5 days to the Omer	Wed Eve / Thurs -----June 1/2	47
4 Sivan	היום שמונה וארבעים יום שהם ששה שבועות וששה ימים לעומר. Today (Thursday evening, June 2 and Friday, June 3) is 48 days which is 6 weeks and 6 days to the Omer	Thurs Eve / Fri -----June 2/3	48
5 Sivan	היום תשעה וארבעים יום שהם שבעה שבועות לעומר. Today (Friday evening, June 3 and Saturday, June 4) is 49 days which is 7 weeks to the Omer	Fri Eve / Sat -----June 3/4	49

הרחמן הוא יחזיר לנו עבודת בית המקדש למקומה במהרה בימינו אמן סלה

# Authorization to sell Chametz 2022

The undersigned hereby authorizes, empowers and directs Rabbi Zev Silber, or any other person authorized or empowered by him, to act in my place and stead and on my behalf to sell all *chametz* possessed by me, whether knowingly or unknowingly, whether presently in my possession or in anyone else's possession. Such *chametz*, as defined by the Torah and Rabbinic law shall include actual *chametz*, mixtures of *chametz*, and *chametz* that has adhered to or become absorbed into the surfaces of pots, pans and other utensils. This general authorization shall apply to any *chametz* owned by me or in my possession wherever so located, including, but not limited to, that *chametz* situated at:

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(address of house, store, office, etc.)

and located in the following places:

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(Specify place(s) where chametz is being stored e.g. sealed kitchen cupboards)

The undersigned hereby further empowers Rabbi Zev Silber to lease all places upon which such *chametz* is situated and to lease or sell on my behalf any and all pots, pans, and utensils which contain *chametz*.

Rabbi Zev Silber is hereby authorized and directed by me to enter into any other type of transaction on my behalf with respect to such *chametz* on any such terms and for such period of time as he deems fit. I hereby confirm the validity of such transactions as if same were entered into by me directly.

If this document is being signed by more than one person, all necessary changes to the language of this authorization shall be deemed to have been made.

I hereby affix my signature this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2022 (5782)

Signature(s) \_\_\_\_\_

Name(s) \_\_\_\_\_

Address(es) \_\_\_\_\_

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*Kindly complete this form and return it:*

**BY MAIL**

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Please allow **1 hour** after the end of Passover before eating any *chametz* that was sold or before using any of your *chametz* utensils.

All forms must be received by 10:00AM Friday, April 15, 2022.