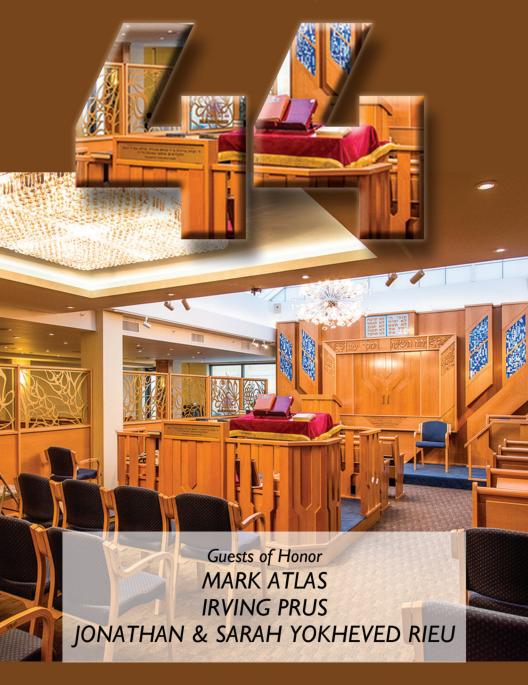
# HAVURAT YISRAEL

44th Anniversary Gala Journal Dinner



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## ANNIVERSARY GALA JOURNAL DINNER

Honoring

Mark Atlas Irving Prus Jonathan & Sarah Yokheved Rieu



Thursday, June 19, 2025 23 Sivan 5785



#### Rabbi David Algaze

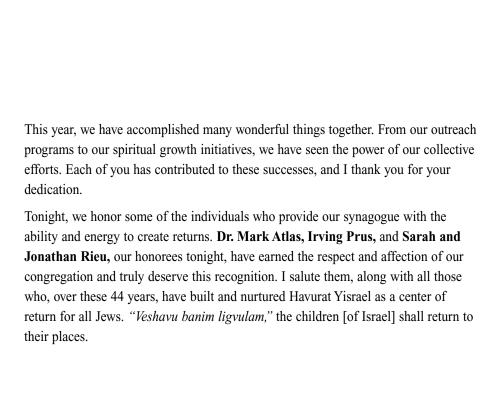
#### A TORAH RETURNS

One of the most prevalent themes in our Jewish literature is the idea of return. Teshuva, of course, is the central aspect of the High Holy Days and resonates in our prayers throughout the year. Hashem assures us that we will return to the Land of Israel after a long exile, and the verb for return, shuv, is mentioned in the Bible thousands of times. What is the reason for this fascination with the idea of return?

This year we embarked on the repair of a Sefer Torah that had become unusable due to various defects in the letters. After waiting a few months, we were privileged to see the return of the Torah at a very emotional and inspiring gathering just a few weeks ago. This experience made me realize the importance of returns in general and why the concept of teshuvah is so prominent in Judaism.

Objects and people go through ups and downs. Mistakes occur, goals may not always be achieved, and things can deteriorate or develop imperfections over time. However, this world was created with G-d's love and the possibility of repair and return is available in one way or another all the time. That is the reason this verb, the concept of return, is such a frequent theme in our tradition.

Our synagogue exemplifies the hope of return and the processes needed to achieve them. Just as we returned the Torah to our Ark, so we have, over the long history of Havurat Yisrael, turned many Jews back to the traditions of our people. This is why we celebrate tonight another year of life and achievement.





# President's Message by Jack Goldhaber

Celebrating Havurat Yisrael's 44th Anniversary Journal is a sure sign of the strength, vitality, and vision of our synagogue. Your presence here this evening and contributions to the shul have helped us maintain our Shabbat, holiday and daily services and enabled us to continue to be a source of strength to the Forest Hills community and beyond. From its inception, Havurat Yisrael has served the community and the Jewish people by creating a unique, warm, and welcoming environment that nurtures the Jewish soul. From the baal tshuva to those seeking ever higher levels of spirituality, our regular programs as well as our kiruv programs have continued to be very successful.

The bedrock of our shul has been our education program. We attribute this success to our Moreh D'Atra, Rabbi Algaze and to our Assistant Rabbi, Avrohom Levitt. With unstoppable vigor, Rabbi Algaze continues to provide the daily Talmud class, the weekly Parsha class, the Mishna class before Shabbat Shacharit, and the Shabbat Mincha shiur. Rabbi Levitt has attracted new members from the community and has added innovative programs and activities that complement the shul's range of activities to be a place of Jewish learning.

Rabbi Algaze's tireless efforts have been the key to the continuing vibrancy and communal link that Havurat Yisrael has provided in these challenging times. This is the legacy of Havurat Yisrael. Over the last forty-four years, we faced many challenges. However, with members of the congregation, including our honorees, we have always been up to the challenge.

*Im tirzu ain zu agada*. Theodore Herzl's famous slogan, "If you will it, it is not just a dream," has always been the motto of Havurat Yisrael.

Havurat Yisrael will continue to maintain its single-minded objective: to be a key place in Forest Hills that every Jew can enter to pray, to learn, and to grow spiritually.

It is with great pleasure that I welcome you to the Havurat Yisrael Journal Celebration.



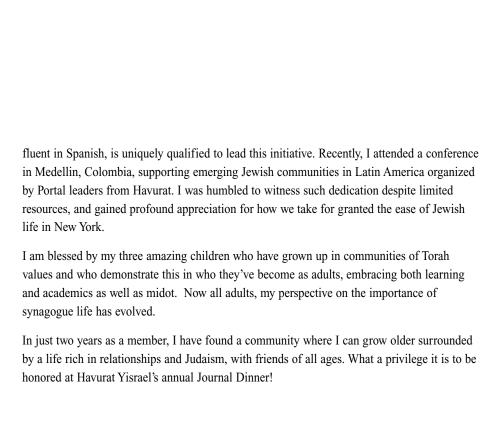
#### Mark Atlas

Havurat Yisrael is a synagogue of beautiful contradictions: Orthodox in Judaism, yet bohemian in outlook. Our congregation represents a tapestry of Jewish life—Ashkenazi, Sephardic, and Mizrahi; new immigrants and second-generation Americans; speakers of English, Spanish, Hebrew, Russian, Yiddish, Polish, Farsi, and yes, French (my family proudly represents the Francophone contingent). Many are Jewish by birth, others by choice, and some are on their journey toward Judaism.

Our true wealth is concentrated in our love and respect for one another, our fidelity to Rabbi David Algaze, our spiritual leader, our devotion to Rebbetzin Tamara Algaze, our respect for Assistant Rabbi Avrohom Levitt, and our acceptance of all congregants—because of, not despite, our diversity. *E pluribus unum*—from many, one.

Founded some 40 years ago by Rabbi Algaze, Havurat Yisrael has overcome significant challenges. I first encountered the synagogue in the 1980s when visiting a dear friend from Forest Hills (a fact that would surprise the Rabbi!). Initially, skeptics gave the congregation just six months, yet it flourished. Two decades later, when neighboring construction destroyed our building, Havurat thrived as an itinerant community, wandering from temporary spaces and rented storefronts for years before reconstruction. Today, we've returned to a permanent home—modestly beautiful and multifunctional—where we pray, share countless meals, and celebrate life events that surpass those in expensive venues because our entire community comes together in preparation and celebration.

Havurat Yisrael also operates the Portal al Judaísmo, both online and in person, supporting Spanish speakers who are Jewish or considering Judaism. Rabbi Algaze, a native Argentinian





### Irving Prus

Irving Prus was born in a U.S. Army hospital in Germany after WWII. His odds of survival in Europe were statistically only about 1 in 6 based on his being Jewish and his parents being from Poland. His parents had miraculously survived the camps, and he survived as well.

After running a chicken- and egg-farm in New Jersey for five years, Irving's father became a successful upholsterer. Irving grew up in Brooklyn and went to yeshiva till the eighth grade, and then on to Midwood High School in Brooklyn. He studied engineering at the NYU School of Polytechnic Engineering and received a B.S. in Mechanical Engineering. He proudly got a job with RCA in New Jersey and then in Massachusetts.

He returned to Brooklyn, and after studying civil engineering for six months at the same school, he worked at the NYC Dept. of Public Works. Four years later he got a job with ITT in a construction group working on a nationwide communication project. He also worked for an HVAC consulting firm and then came back to New York City to work in Elmhurst Hospital in the Agency for Children's Services.

An engineer he met in private industry gave him some projects, and as he expanded his knowledge in the field, he got better projects and gained confidence in the field.

He designed a large new Starbucks serving plant in the Bronx with a prominent architect. It is now complete after eight years and it gives him great satisfaction. He worked for a major fire protection firm which paid him well, which helped him buy his coop so he could live in the neighborhood.

He came across Havurat Yisrael looking for a more religious shul about four years ago and has been here ever since. We are delighted to be able to honor him at our Annual Gala Dinner.



#### Jonathan & Sarah Yokheved Rieu

Jonathan Rieu was born in Maracaibo, Venezuela, and raised in a warm, hardworking family. From an early age, he took joy in helping his relatives with their business endeavors, gaining firsthand experience in dedication, responsibility, and the importance of community.

In 1999, his father brought him to New York to further his education. Jonathan went on to earn a degree in Liberal Arts and became a certified gemologist. In 2004, he and his father, Gustave Rieu, opened Rieu Café, a kosher dairy coffee shop located in the heart of Midtown Manhattan, inside the iconic Sony Building. The café became a special gathering place, where Jonathan refined his business skills and connected with people from around the world.

In addition to his background in hospitality and gemology, Jonathan also specializes in real estate, where he takes pride in helping clients navigate the journey to homeownership and rentals.

Today, Jonathan serves as Director of Community Development for *Portal al Judaismo*, based at Havurat Yisrael. In this role, he supports Spanish-speaking Jewish communities across the globe. Most recently, he attended a convention in Medellín, Colombia, where he witnessed the heartfelt passion of emerging communities, a profound reminder of the strength and beauty of Jewish heritage.

Sarah Yokheved was born and raised in Azogues, Ecuador, and pursued a degree in Engineering in Marketing. From a young age, she felt a deep spiritual yearning. She often turned to what she then knew as the Bible, feeling that behind its words lay something deeper, a hidden truth calling her soul home.

This spiritual longing set her on a journey that eventually led her to Havurat Yisrael, to Rabbi David Algaze, and ultimately to her husband, Jonathan. With the guidance of the Rabbi and the support of the community, she completed a valid and meaningful conversion, embracing a new chapter in her spiritual life.

Today, Sarah plays a vital role alongside her husband in *Portal al Judaismo*. Her story inspires others throughout the diaspora who, like she once did, yearn to return to the people of Israel. With humility, passion, and unwavering faith, she now helps others reconnect with their roots and walk the path of Torah.

# Diamond Club

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#### A BRIEF HISTORY OF OUR SHUL

It all started on a Purim night in 1981, when young families thirsting for spirituality and a genuine voice of Torah formed this beautiful congregation. We were told that we would not have a long life since we possessed no physical building and there were no empty spaces to build in Forest Hills. Yet by Hashem's will we found not only a wonderful space but it was located in the geographical heart of the neighborhood, allowing us to be home to people on both sides of Queens Boulevard! Mr. Solomon Oliner, z"l, had a special role in this, and may his name be always remembered for good.

Our beginnings were humble in material things but rich and blessed in matters of the spirit.

From our midst arose many rabbis, teachers and families who became observant and knowledgeable in our tradition. Whether in Israel, Latin America or any corner of the United States, there is hardly a place where we do not meet people who started their Jewish life at Havurat or did not hear about us and our activities.

It all began in January 1981, when a group of the recently formed havurot that had been organized by Rabbi Algaze initiated a strong protest to some ritual changes at the Forest Hills Jewish Center. This ultimately led to the exodus from the Center and a decision to follow Rabbi Algaze and create a new synagogue. A declaration of "independence" echoing themes of the founding of America was quickly drafted that attracted many others to this new group. At the home of the Amini family, some 30 families gathered on March 26 (21 Adar II, 5741) to incorporate the synagogue to be named Havurat Yisrael in honor of the havurot that had been at the front of this new movement. From place to place, from the Sephardic synagogue on 108th Street to the Senior Center on Austin Street and the Forest Hills Inn, we finally secured a place at the Continental Theater for Shabbat morning services. The Aron Kodesh was kept behind the movie screen and an arrangement was made for those men and women who preferred to sit separately. The morning services usually ended with the singing of Adon Olam and the aroma of popcorn as the theater was regaining its function. As we exited the theater, some would ask, "How did you like the movie?"

That first year we inaugurated our first Sefer Torah with a festive parade down Austin Street and a dedication at the Russell Sage Junior High School, concluding with a gala dinner at the Jewish Museum in Manhattan.

The last week of the summer brought many families to our first camp experience, this time at Camp Bournedale in Cape Cod. This was a foundational experience that cemented many friendships and gave Havurat the full flavor of friendship and camaraderie that would characterize it forever. The first High Holy Days services were held at the Midway Theater on Queens Blvd., which then consisted of two large halls. We occupied one of them with an attendance exceeding 400 people, and the other where children could relax and run around. It was a hectic time. It was an exhilarating time.

A strong bone of contention was the building of a mechitza, which had been Rabbi Algaze's intention from the start. It was sternly opposed by many in the congregation. After numerous classes and discussions, it was moved to install it on Hanukkah while at the Continental Theater.

A simple red velvet rope used to demark lines for people waiting to enter the theater was used to divide both sides of the aisle, with men sitting on the right and women on the left. Sadly, a few families opted to leave the synagogue never to return, but those who chose to stay saw their families grow in Torah and mitzvot and were privileged to see their children and now grandchildren studying in yeshivot and having fully observant families. This was the direct result of their decision to live a Jewish life in accordance with the Shulchan Aruch, which had been the stated purpose of the founding of Havurat from the first day. Today, many families recall those days of tensions and are grateful for what Havurat Yisrael and the Rabbi did for them.

Celebrations were always full of enthusiasm and cooperation. Purim was welcomed with dozens of people adding decorations to embellish the place, and Simchat Torah was effervescent and not contained within a building, often bursting into the street and MacDonald Park. On one occasion even the Mayor of the city came to see our festive dancing at the Park, but always our Simchat Torah was the place to be in Forest Hills and adjoining neighborhoods.

We built our shul on 70th Avenue in 1982, inaugurating our space on Rosh Hashanah. The building was simple and without luxury, but it was the host of many extraordinary programs. A yeshiva created by Rabbi Algaze together with Rabbi Eliahu Benhaim functioned every afternoon, and it invited laymen to study with them in the late evenings. It was here that some rabbis were first formed, including Rabbi Daniel Travis, Rabbi Haim Alcabes and Rabbi Yitzhak Benroubi. Important personalities visited us, including the Chief Rabbi of Israel, Shlomo Goren who became a regular featured speaker when he was in New York, as well as Rabbis Mordechai Eliyahu, Avraham Shapira and Rabbi Ovadia Yosef z"l. Many political dignitaries visited us in those early years, including Senator Alphonse D'Amato, Rep. Charles Schumer, Governor George Pataki, Mayor Rudolph Giuliani, and numerous figures from the Jewish world.

A legendary concert by Shlomo Carlebach was held in 1987 when over 700 people attended and danced enthusiastically till late hours of the night. In 1984 a second Sefer Torah was dedicated by our President Yehudah Goldfeder z"l at an event attended by the Rosh Yeshiva of Chofetz Chaim at an impressive dedication ceremony.

Havurat was innovative and creative beyond its time. A Singles group, largely unknown in Orthodox synagogues, was formed that created some beautiful Jewish marriages. A Beginners' Minyan was held every Shabbat, and a Drop-In-and-Learn with students of the Chofetz Chaim on Thursdays that attracted hundreds of students. A week-long Summer Camp retreat and a Ski Shabbaton every year were among the most innovative programs developed at Havurat.

After some years of expansion, we had the privilege of having a committee headed by Mr. Sol Givner, z"l, and yb'l, our own Rafi Katz, who renovated our shul in great form and style in 1992.

After a few years, however, our building was compromised by nearby construction and the city condemned our property. This was in August 1998, precisely on the day when a new Aron Kodesh, built in Eretz Israel and dedicated by the Sosnowik family, had been placed on a ship going to New York. The story of the Aron is emblematic of the story of Havurat. Exiled from its place, stored in uninviting conditions, the aron survived and even

prospered. The aron, stored in a warehouse in Long Island for over 15 years, when unwrapped was, to the amazement of carpenters and others, in perfect condition. Like the story of Havurat itself, this was truly a miracle.

After the city closed our old building, we moved from one corner of Forest Hills to the other, from the Central Queens Y on 108th Street, to the basement of Dov Revel Yeshiva, a house on 70th Road, the shtiebl on 69th Road, and finally, with the work of the Rebbetzin Tamara Algaze, we rented a little storefront on Austin Street that vibrated with energy every Shabbat. Every place offered us a welcome and yet we felt comfortable nowhere. As the Jews who left Jerusalem sang, "how can we sing in a land not our own?" we too dreamed of return and could not sing anywhere else but in our old home. We actually tried to sell our property several times, but Hashem did not let us. Like the dreamers in Psalm 126 (Shir Hama'alot) by the grace of Hashem, we now have the great merit of seeing our dreams fulfilled and have returned home. We often referred to the 15-year gap as reminiscent of the Second Temple, the construction of which was also stopped for 15 years. May Havurat Yisrael too be a beacon of light to those who enter our synagogue and may it continue to spread holiness throughout the community for years to come.



# THE HAVURAT YISRAEL IDEA - WHO ARE WE?

Havurat Yisrael was born on Purim night in 1981, when a young rabbi, David Algaze, created a veritable revolution in Queens, leading a group of mostly Conservative Jews onto a path of learning and inspiration that was to become one of the leading Orthodox synagogues in New York. The smell of popcorn that permeated the early services – held in a movie house on Austin Street, Forest Hills – became the talk of the town as well as a symbol of the innovation, warmth and originality of this Torah center.

The early activities of the synagogue were the creation of a camp retreat in the summer, a ski Shabbaton in Vermont in the winter and a host of new ideas and programs in between. The common aspect of all these programs was the desire to reach Jews of all backgrounds in every environment and every venue that they felt comfortable. Although this concept raised many an eyebrow at the beginning, many communities were soon adopting its programs and vision. Rabbi Algaze advocated the idea that a synagogue needs to be more than a house of worship in the formal sense; it must serve as a bridge and a path to discovery. Havurat Yisrael was founded on the idea of creating a community of learning and experience that will facilitate the path of teshuvah. Until today, you can enter a program at Havurat and feel that there is something special in the air. Some call it warmth, others friendship, but the real secret is: community (havurah).

Havurat initiated the first outreach programs in Queens. The first Beginners' Services and the first Turn Friday Night into Shabbat dinners were held there. The synagogue became a hub for singles throughout the metropolitan area and Rabbi Algaze has made numerous shidduchim through these gatherings and shabbatonim. One of the most successful bridges has been the one that connected people with a yeshiva background and people who did not know the aleph-bet. The sense of duty and service to Am Yisrael is one of the distinguishing traits of a Havurat Yisrael member. Acceptance, the courage to innovate and accept diversity create a very profound atmosphere of unity of all Jews.

The "Drop in and Learn" program that was developed in conjunction with

the Chafetz Chayim Yeshiva soon developed into a half-day Kollel under the leadership of Rabbi Eliahu Benhaim and Rabbi Algaze. This kollel was to produce several talmide hahamim and rabbis who are serving communities in Israel and Latin America. It is no wonder that groups of "alumni" of Havurat keep in touch with the synagogue regularly and proclaim its uniqueness.

Havurat has always lived beyond its walls. Spilling with joy onto the streets during Simchat Torah or offering a Perek shiur in the park in summertime, distributing mishloach manot on Purim or hanukkiot on Hanukkah to passers-by have endeared the synagogue to its host community and enabled Havurat to continue to attract more Jews to Torah and mitzvoth.

Havurat Yisrael believes that communities need bridging and connecting. It is therefore not uncommon to find at Havurat a mix of people in Hasidic garb mingling with people in jeans, Sephardim and Ashkenazim praying in an atmosphere of acceptance and sharing, people speaking different languages communicating with each other. But perhaps the most significant bridge has been to Eretz Israel. Havurat has always promoted an agenda of involvement in social issues and especially a connectedness and active involvement in the matters that affect the people and the land of Israel. Havurat has served for many years as the forum for many distinguished visitors from Israel, from politicians to rabbis, roshe yeshiva and activists. All have encountered an audience ready to learn and ready to act. That may be the most apt definition of Havurat: "learning in order to do".



# THE HAVURAT YISRAEL FAMILY – WHAT WE DO

Learning is the foundation of Havurat Yisrael. From early morning till late at night, the classes, lectures, seminars and informal discussions shape the Havurat landscape. It is a place vibrant with intellectual stimulation and spiritual elevation. From the Learn to Read Hebrew class to the class in Spanish, from the Parashat Hashavua class to the advanced Gemara shiur, there is a class for every level. The courses service a diverse community that includes young single adults, young marrieds, and newly arrived immigrants from Russia or Latin America. There are courses to accommodate the needs of these diverse groups.

A full range of family-oriented programs that appeal from the oldest to the youngest members of the family are offered in order to strengthen the ties that bind us together and to utilize the opportunity to learn from one another. Special dinners around the holidays allow people who would not have the ability to share in these experiences to enjoy them at Havurat. They include meals at Rosh Hashanah, Pesach Seders for the community, Tu Bishvat Seders, Lag Ba'omer celebrations and parties and hagigot for every occasion in the Jewish calendar. Even during the all-day fast days, there is learning and lectures by guest scholars. Rabbi Algaze has always encouraged the involvement of other rabbis and teachers in this enterprise and Havurat has been very lucky to have many distinguished rebbeim and lecturers in its history.

Rabbi Algaze saw long ago the need to incorporate singles in a full way in the programs of the synagogue. Havurat was the first synagogue in the area to offer single memberships and made every effort to make singles feel comfortable in the synagogue. Havurat organized shabbatonim and trips to help singles meet. Rabbi Algaze created Priority Dating based on the concept that self-discovery precedes the finding of a soul mate. In his career, Rabbi Algaze has made well over 100 shidduchim.

Since the Covid period, he has given many new classes and lecture series via Zoom. He has devoted much time and energy over the past few years to classes in Spanish that reach not only students in the New York City area but

also students located throughout the Spanish-speaking world, including in Colombia, Bolivia, Spain, and other countries. His eloquent and meaningful commentaries on the week's Parshah and other subjects provide a solid grounding in traditional sources for a wide variety of students. He created the foundation Portal al Judaismo that offers classes in Spanish throughout the world and also supports emerging Jewish communities in Latin America.

Some people make a difference
She affected a whole community
She took us out from the shtibl when it
became oppressive
Brought us to the Austin Street storefront
where we were reborn
Negotiated with the developer of our current
building to get a larger space
And is at the center of everything that
transpires at Havurat
She's a woman, she's a spouse, she's a mom
and she's a businesswoman
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## **TAMARA ALGAZE**

With gratitude,
Havurat Members and Rabbi Algaze

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## A Message From The Dinner Committee

We are very proud of the response to this 44th Anniversary Dinner from all of you. This is a synagogue with open arms to everyone and it is wonderful to see the warm atmosphere that has developed at Havurat. We have created an all-inclusive environment and this is reflected in the attendance at the Dinner tonight. Your support will allow Havurat to continue its work and all its programs and we are grateful for your participation. This is going to be a great Dinner event and we are happy to welcome you tonight.

Tamara Algaze Renee Feit Hirsch Yael Yepez

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Thank you for your contributions to our community.

We are honored to have you as part of our community.
Your presence among us enriches us all.

May you have the health and energy to continue, strengthen and contribute to Havurat and all of Klal Yisrael!

Thank you and Yasher Koach With our gratitude and respect,

Debbie Rubin and David Sosnowik

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Thank you and Mazel Tov to our HONOREES

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For all of your time and dedication to

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And to our community

Kim & Joseph Trigoboff



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In honor of the honorees

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We are proud of you

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Mazel Tov to

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Touching countless lives with compassion and commitment as a physician, friend and humanitarian



Love,

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#### Thank you

## RABBI DAVID ALGAZE & TAMARA

What a wonderful shul you've created for the community.

You provide so much in terms of spiritual guidance,
religious classes and a warm place
for people to come together.

May your congregation keep growing.

Thank you for everything.

Dr. Mark & Gail Silverman

#### CHAI PAG<u>E</u>

A big Mazel Tov to all of this year's

### **HONOREES**

Your dedication to the shul is greatly appreciated.

Thank you

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Congratulations to the Honorees of Havurat Yisrael's 44th Anniversary Journal Dinner

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Your steadfast support and participation in our Shul have given strength to all of us at Havurat Yisrael

Mazal Tov

Shulie and Jack Goldhaber

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and to the

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May you all continue to grow at Havurat Yisrael.

Rachel, Louis, Jake and Dara Ordentlich

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Your guidance, leadership, & support are the life-blood of our special shul

Thank you

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For contributing so much to Havurat Yisrael. We appreciate your knowledge, kindness, humor, & music

Last but not least, a hearty Mazel Tov to our HONOREES

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David Hirsch & Renee Hirsch-Feit

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to

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Mazel Tov and Best Wishes

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A hearty Mazel Tov to each

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We know how dedicated you are to your community, and are thrilled that your involvement through the years is now being recognized, especially as we know you put your whole heart into everything you care about. May you continue to be a shining example of chesed within your community and to the rest of Klal Yisrael!

We send blessings of good health and happiness to you and your kids!

With love and respect,

Gayle & Stew Ashkenazy

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Mazel tov

to the

### **HONOREES**

Many blessings to our

## RABBI DAVID & TAMARA ALGAZE

Bezalel Paniagua and Kyana Paniagua

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Yasher Koach

Lou & Rita Gutnicki

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Mazel Tov!

May you go from strength to strength!!

Karen & Marc Rose

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Celebrating 44 years of

### **HAVURAT YISRAEL!**

Mazel Tov to the HONOREES

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Todd, Sheryl & Zachary Hausman

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Warmest wishes and Congratulations to our

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Kol HaKavod for everything you do!

Jay Waitzman

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With gratitude

Pinhas & Leah Rahel Contreras

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In honor of

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Seymour Kaplan

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Felicitaciones a nuestros queridos

## RABBI DAVID & TAMARA ALGAZE

Celebrando los 44 años de

Havurat Yisrael

Mazel Tov a todos

#### **HONORADOS**

Shalom

Victorino & Rubenia Flores

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Congratulations to the Honorees of the 44th Anniversary Gala Journal Dinner

## IRVING PRUS AND JONATHAN & SARAH YOKHEVED RIEU

And a heartfelt Mazal Tov to our dear friend,

### DR. MARK ATLAS

one of the kindest and most caring people we know.

We are so proud to honor you — not only for the love and compassion you share with the community, but also for the joy and warmth you bring into our lives as a cherished friend.

We're sending you a BIG HUG! Thank you and Mazal Tov!

Les Halper & Bruce Eisenberg

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## Mazel tov to MARK ATLAS

It's an honor to celebrate you at Havurat Yisrael's 44th Anniversary Gala Journal Dinner.

Your dedication, warmth, and tireless efforts to strengthen our community and build bridges across cultures inspire us all.

Your unwavering faith and commitment to inclusion have truly transformed lives and nurtured a vibrant spiritual home. We're so grateful to know you and to witness the impact of your work.

With deep appreciation and respect,

Aron Hertz and Dr. Leonard Haas

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#### Mazel Tov

to our Distinguished Honorees,

## MARK, IRVING, JONATHAN AND SARAH

Jerry & Jennifer Revich

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Mazel Tov to the HONOREES

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Seymour Kaplan

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We have them

We thank you for all your

Devotion & Dedication

To our shul & community

Maddy & Bernardo Druker

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Morris & Devora Smith

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Thank you to our Rabbis,

## RABBI DAVID ALGAZE & RABBI AVROHOM LEVITT

For their leadership, wisdom, and outreach

Thank you to my dear friends at

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B'ezrat Hashem, may there be UNITY and PEACE for us all both personally and community-wide

Mazel Tov to the

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With gratitude,

Jane Pamela Stiefel (Hannah)

Mazel Tov to the HONOREES

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Also

Yasher Koach to

## RABBI DAVID & TAMARA ALGAZE

Tanya Azizi

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Mazel Tov

to our

## **DEAR HONOREES**

Yehuda Mendieta

## RABBI DAVID & TAMARA ALGAZE

Thank you for all you do for the Naghi family

Jessica, Nader, Yehuda Chaviv & Yosef Shlomo Naghi

Mazel Tov and Best Wishes to the

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Mazel Tov to all the HONOREES

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the very special shul that it is

Best wishes,

Carol Krohn

Mazel Tov

## RABBI ALGAZE & TAMARA ALGAZE

On the 44th Anniversary Journal Celebration of HAVURAT YISRAEL

Mazel Tov

## IRVING PRUS JONATHAN & SARAH YOKHEVED RIEU

For all you do to make HAVURAT a special place

A special Mazel Tov to

#### **MARK ATLAS**

For his kindness & generosity that make HAVURAT a true family!

Ruth Finkelstein

With so much gratitude to

#### RABBI & REBBETZIN ALGAZE

For opening the door to Judaism for me

Thanks to the entire Havurat Yisrael community

Naomi Rodriguez

Mazel Tov

to

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Mazel Tov a nuestros queridos

## RABBI DAVID & TAMARA ALGAZE

Ustedes son la base fundamental de nuestra sinagoga

Simcha Kulaya

## Dear **HONOREES**

Mazel Tov on this important role you play at

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Best Wishes,

Shoshana & Oren Shmuel & Family

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Congratulate

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Querido

### RABINO DAVID ALGAZE Y TAMARA ALGAZE.

Con profunda gratitud y emoción queremos unirnos a la celebración de este aniversario tan especial de nuestra sinagoga JOURNAL DINNER. Este no es solo un momento para contar años, sino para recordar cuántas vidas han sido tocadas, cuántas almas han sido elevadas, y cuánta luz ha irradiado desde este lugar sagrado hacia el mundo.

Desde que llegamos a esta comunidad, hemos encontrado no solo un espacio de tefilá, sino un verdadero hogar. Bajo su guía, Rabino, aprendemos no solo halajá, sino también cómo caminar con Hashem en nuestras vidas cotidianas. Usted nos enseña con paciencia, con entrega, y con amor verdadero por la Torah y por cada uno de nosotros.

Gracias por construir no solo paredes físicas, sino una comunidad de emuná, de crecimiento, y de pertenencia. Gracias por abrirnos las puertas, y aún más, por abrirnos el corazón.

Que Hashem bendiga a esta sinagoga con muchos más años de luz, unidad y Torah. Y que usted, Rabino, y su querida esposa sean fortalecido en salud, sabiduría y alegría para seguir guiándonos por muchos años más.

Con todo nuestro cariño y aprecio,

Aharon, Hadassah y toda la familia de Brooklyn

Mazel Tov to the HONOREES

## MARK ATLAS IRVING PRUS JONATHAN & SARAH YOKHEVED RIEU

Gracias y bendiciones a nuestro estimado

## RABINO DAVID & TAMARA ALGAZE

Con cariño

Maria Perez

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Mazel Tov To all the

## HONOREES, RABBI ALGAZE, RABBI LEVITT & HAVURAT YISRAEL

on its 44th Anniversary

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From the **Alkalay Family** 

In Memory of

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DAVID HALEVI

Mazel Tov to our dear

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With much appreciation

Leon, Alicia & Raphael Tejtelbaum

Congratulations to the HONOREES

## MARK ATLAS IRVING PRUS JONATHAN & SARAH YOKHEVED RIEU

The Havurat Community has been honored by your presence

Cathy, Ira and Zachary Kleiman

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### Rabbi Algaze, his Wife and my Havurat Yisrael Community, my Family

I'm deeply grateful to be part of something so special, a community that feels like home, a family bound not by blood, but by care, support, and unity.

Thank you for the warmth, the strength, and the sense of belonging you give so freely.

This evening is more than a celebration; it's a reflection of the strength, generosity, and resilience of our community. We are not just a network or an organization, but a home where each voice matters and every effort contributes to something greater.

May we continue to grow in unity, in kindness, and in strength.

It's an honor to walk this journey with you. With all my heart,

Yael Yepez & Latino Members of the Community

Mazel Tov

to

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I am very grateful for the Havurat Yisrael community and

## RABBI DAVID ALGAZE & RABBI AVROHOM LEVITT

For the love & support they offer to us

Sarah Esses

In honor of

#### RABBI DAVID ALGAZE

And the whole

## HAVURAT YISRAEL COMMUNITY

Nachshon & Miriam Portela

Mazel Tov

to

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Yasher Koach

**Esther Nelson** 

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With gratitude to Hashem
Mazel Tov

## RABBI ALGAZE & TAMARA ALGAZE

For this beautiful community that opened its doors to me.

You are my family

Sarah Elisheva Palala

With much appreciation to our dearest

## RABBI DAVID & TAMARA ALGAZE

Mazel Tov

to the

#### **HONOREES**

Shimon & Sarah Mizrahi

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Kol Hakavod to our dear friend

#### **MARK ATLAS**

On this well-deserved honor

Cynthia & Andrew Blustein

With love & appreciation to our

## RABBI DAVID ALGAZE & TAMARA ALGAZE

Arasheben Family

Congratulations to the HONOREES

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Matthew Jacobs

Thank you to the

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Twenty-five years ago, I was part of a rich and vibrant Jewish community. I wish the current and future students the same opportunity to celebrate their Jewish identity and their love of Israel.

Matthew Jacobs

In honor of

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With sincere appreciation

Miriam Rickard

In Honor of

### RABBI DAVID & TAMARA ALGAZE

Thank you for all your guidance for us.

May Hashem Bless you and all your Family

Mazal Tov to the Honorees

Josefina Vicente

In Honor of

## RABBI DAVID & TAMARA ALGAZE

With Love,

Roberto y Carolyn Dominguez

Mazal Tov to the

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Sammy Tocker

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Greetings and Best Wishes
To

#### RABBI ALGAZE

Joseph and Barbara Tucker

Congratulations and Mazel Tov to the well-deserving

#### **HONOREES**

Yael & Mark Shayne

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Mazel Tov to

## MARK ATLAS IRVING PRUS JONATHAN & SARAH YOKHEVED RIEU

Benjamin Arbesfeld M.D.

Congratulations Graduates !! Job well done! – Mazel Tov!

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KAYLA ARASHEBEN,
JULIA REVICH,
EMILY REVICH,
ESTHER LEVITT
AND DANIEL ZAKRY

Karen Rose

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For your ongoing guidance, teachings and support, we thank you

#### Rabbi David and Tamara Algaze, Rabbi Avrohom and Sharona Levitt

and our wonderful shluchim hatzibur-

Ira Kleiman, Bruce Jacobs, Sy Kaplan, Ben Greenberg, Marc Rose, Louis Ordentlich, David Sosnowick, Mayer Weisel, Zachary Hausman.

Kol HaKavod to you!!

Karen & Marc Rose

In loving memory of

#### **SARAH ANNE SAVIT**

Devoted daughter, caring sister, grandmother

of 9 grandchildren & friend

BORN: August 14, 1956

DIED: April 1, 2024 Adar II 5084

May her memory be a blessing – Yehi zichrona livracha

Janet & Stephen Hiller

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#### **IRVING B. PRUS**

Is a professional mechanical engineer who was born into one of the most prestigious Yhudi family I have had the pleasure of knowing the PRUS FAMILY

Mr. Prus "Father" the most beautiful human being Zadik Anave, can easily compare him to Moshe Rabenu
Miss Prus "Mother" lovely lady, educated, elegant and very smart
Irving and his twin sister are the first-born children in the Prus family
Irving graduated as a mechanical engineer from NYU,
he is knowledgeable in all and every subject
Twin sister, Janet, completed her education with a P.H.D in Spanish language

Irving had a younger sister, Anne, who completed her degree in accounting. She was elegant, beautiful, and had a heart of gold. She also had strong beliefs in how to raise a healthy family.

Rabi Robert "son" graduated from Cornell University and became a great lawyer. He married and moved to Israel. Robert is indeed a legend who followed in the steps of his grandfather

Anne has a lovely daughter who graduated from Penn University as a lawyer.

She is married to a very successful Israeli soldier. They now have 3 children,

We cannot express our sadness at the loss of lovely Anne 13 months ago. Losing Anne was tragic and very sad for those who knew her. Tonight, we salute ANNE Zichrona Levrakha.

#### Dina Doustan

#### Dear

#### MARK,

Congratulations. Well-deserved.

We spent our last 2 zuzim on this ad.

Mazel Tov!

Sandra & Ira Levine

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Kol Hakavod
To my wonderful family

## DEBBIE & DAVID SOSNOWIK DORIT & BEN GELMAN

With love & pride,
Zeid

In honor of

#### **IRVING PRUS**

Mazel Tov to our kind, loving, devoted and witty

#### UNCLE IRVING

Engineer, chess master, film buff, and life-long learner From your nieces & nephews:

Jordan Hiller, Natalie Kaplan, Andrew Hiller, Robert Savit & Marissa Savit Kolet

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In memory of

#### TANYA SCHLOSSBERG, Z"L

Her loving father

Ron Schlossberg

In honor of my dear cousin

#### **MARK ATLAS**

and

In honor of

#### **RABBI ALGAZE**

We wish you all continued Hatzlacha

Billy & Yocheved

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Greetings

From

#### Peter Mastoros Agora Taverna

With much gratitude to our

#### **RABBI & REBBETZIN ALGAZE**

And to all the members of

#### **HAVURAT YISRAEL**

With love,

Caridad Luna & Salvador Tavares

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In honor of

## JONATHAN & SARAH YOKHEVED RIEU

Jacqueline & Jeffrey Linsenbaum

Thanks for your continued prayers for the refuah shlema of

HILLEL ZVI YEHUDA BEN TZINA (HILLEL MERKIN)

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Congratulations,

#### **MARK**

We love you.

## The Levitton Family Toby, Ira, Lily, and Max

Thanks for a fulfilling Shavuoth of overnight learning and kosher eating.

With Yizkor on the second day,

I had the opportunity to pray for my

## DEAR FATHER, MOTHER, & SISTER Z"L

Irving B. Prus

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Thank you

#### RABBI ALGAZE

For 32 years of enjoyable learning & for the friends I have made.

#### Ephraim Grossbein

Mazel Tov to my friend

#### **MARK**

and each of the other

#### **HONOREES**

for this wonderful recognition of their work & commitment to

#### **HAVURAT YISRAEL**

and its mission for the Jewish community

Jack Habert

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Mazel Tov

to

#### **HAVURAT YISRAEL**

Jonathan Kaye

Best Wishes from

Nesanel & Nancy Yachnes

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Mazel Tov to

#### **HAVURAT YISRAEL**

on the 44th Anniversary

and to

## RABBI DAVID & TAMARA ALGAZE

Michael Mayorga

Mazel Tov to

## MARK ATLAS IRVING PRUS JONATHAN & SARAH YOKHEVED RIEU

With gratitude to

RABBI DAVID & TAMARA ALGAZE

The Zakry Family

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#### **HAVURAT YISRAEL**

on its
44th Anniversary
and to

### RABBI DAVID & TAMARA ALGAZE

Anonymous

In honor of

## JONATHAN & SARAH YOKHEVED RIEU

Malka & Zackariah Edinger

Mazel Tov to

#### **MARK ATLAS**

and all the

#### **HONOREES!**

We love you and miss you.

Enjoy.

Gabriel Carvajal & Zahava Harary

Congratulations to our friend & esteemed colleague

#### DR. MARK ATLAS

A real champion of kids with cancer and for klal Yisrael May you continue in your avodas hakodesh and have continued nachas from your children

Carolyn Fein Levy

# Sixth Pages

## SIXTH PAGE

Mazel Tov

to the

# HAVURAT YISRAEL COMMUNITY

Andrew & Renee Meyers

In honor of

### **MARK ATLAS**

Michael Siller

DEAR

### **MARK**

Congratulations and Yasher Koach

**Tzippy** 

**CHER PAPA** 

Félicitations Pour Ton Honneur! Je Suis très fier de toi. Ton Fils,

Yair

Mazel Tov to the

### **HONOREES!**

Carmella

Congratulations to the

### **HONOREES**

Daniel Cohen

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Bendiciones a todas las comunidades de la Judia Mundial Muy agradecida con Hashem a Nuestro estimado

RABBI ALGAZE

y a toda la comunidad de Havurat Yisrael

Ruth Nejama Jimenez

Congratulations to the

**HONOREES** 

Diana Parisy

Mazel Tov

to

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on your 44th Anniversary

Shoshi Bacon

Mazel Tov to

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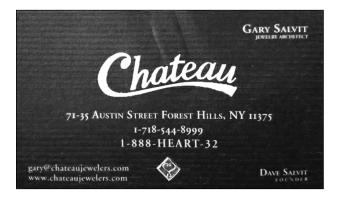
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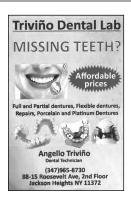
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