



Edinburgh Reform Jewish Community

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Sat. 16th March. 11.00am

Service, Lunch and Study: Eric Liddell Centre, 15 Morningside Road, Edinburgh.

The Study portion will be on "Pesach". Please remember that a small contribution to the lunch would be appreciated, a cold dish is preferable. There will be no heating facilities for food. Cutlery will be provided. **Children are very welcome** – we are having a children's educational event in the afternoon – but please try to let us know if yours are planning to come.

Wed. 20th March. 8.00pm

Shiur : Charlie & Gillian Raab. [REDACTED] Edinburgh.

Continuing with "Exodus follow-up".

Wed. 27th March.

Communal Seder. Will be held at Inch house, Inch Park. It will be the first night of Pesach, Rabbi Pete will be conducting with assistance from all. Children are especially welcome and none are too young. A fish meal will be prepared but with a vegetarian option. If you have not booked your tickets please contact Gillian Raab : [REDACTED]

Fri. 5th April. 7.00pm

Erev Shabbat Service: [REDACTED] Edinburgh. Someone will be on the door to let you in, please arrive in plenty of time. If you are early [REDACTED] then call for Blanche. There will be no entry after 7.10pm unless prior arrangement has been made. (Thank-you).

Wed. 17th April. 8.00pm

Shiur : Charlie & Gillian Raab. [REDACTED] Edinburgh (venue to be confirmed). "The Book of Leviticus 1" (Rabbi Pete)

Fri. 3rd May. 7.00pm

Erev Shabbat Service: [REDACTED] Edinburgh. Someone will be on the door to let you in, please arrive in plenty of time. If you are early [REDACTED] then call for Blanche. There will be no entry after 7.10pm unless prior arrangement has been made. (Thank-you).

Wed. 15th May. 8.00pm

Shiur : Charlie & Gillian Raab. [REDACTED] Edinburgh (venue to be confirmed). "The Book of Leviticus 2"

Fri. 7th June. 7.00pm

Erev Shabbat Service: [REDACTED] Edinburgh. Someone will be on the door to let you in, please arrive in plenty of time. If you are early [REDACTED] then call for Blanche. There will be no entry after 7.10pm unless prior arrangement has been made. (Thank-you).

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Sayings of The Fathers:
"Hold no person insignificant and nothing improbable, for there is no person that has not their hour and no thing that has not its place."

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WE WOULD LIKE TO THANK DEBORAH WOLFE FOR ALL HER WORK IN THE POST AS ADMINISTRATOR FOR GNS AND WHO IS NOW PASSING THE REINS ON TO SOMEONE ELSE. BEST WISHES FROM ALL THE EDINBURGH COMMUNITY.

COWBOY PRODUCTIONS HAS BEEN IN TOUCH REGARDING THE FILM "PROMISES." TO TELL US THAT THE VIDEO IS ON SALE AND CAN BE PURCHASED FOR THE SMALL SUM OF \$400. YES, JUST A WEE BIT EXPENSIVE. RABBI PETE HAS INFORMED US THAT THERE COULD BE SOME COPIES OWNED BY CJE IN LONDON. WE WILL ENDEAVOUR TO FIND OUT AND KEEP YOU POSTED. IT HAS BEEN SUGGESTED THAT IF WE WERE SUCCESSFUL IN OBTAINING THE FILM IT WOULD MAKE AN EXCELLENT OPPORTUNITY TO INVITE MEMBERS FROM GNS TO AN EXCELLENT EVENING IN EDINBURGH.

GOING TO THE SEDER AT INCH HOUSE? HURRY AS TICKETS ARE RUNNING LOW. CONTACT GILLIAN ON [REDACTED]

A Jewish man moves into a Catholic neighborhood. Every Friday the Catholics go crazy because, while they're morosely eating fish, the Jew is outside barbecuing steaks. So the Catholics work on the Jew to convert him. Finally, by threats and pleading, the Catholics succeed. They take the Jew to a priest who sprinkles holy water on the Jew and intones: "Born a JewRaised a JewNow a Catholic." The Catholics are ecstatic. No more delicious, but maddening smells every Friday evening. But the next Friday evening, the scent of barbecue wafts through the neighborhood. The Catholics all rush to the Jew's house to remind him of his new diet. They see him standing over the cooking steak. He is sprinkling water on the meat and saying: "Born a cowRaised a cowNow a fish."

In this time of crisis for Israel, we must express solidarity with her people and also take a stand on the ethics of the conflict. As a contribution to the debate, we are reproducing the manifesto of the 320 reserve army officers. Other viewpoints are welcome.

The Reservists' Statement

- We, reserve combat officers and soldiers of the Israel Defence Forces, who were raised upon the principles of Zionism, sacrifice and giving to the people of Israel and to the State of Israel, who have always served in the front lines, and who were the first to carry out any mission, light or heavy, in order to protect the State of Israel and strengthen it.
- We, combat officers and soldiers who have served the State of Israel for long weeks every year, in spite of the dear cost to our personal lives, have been on reserve duty all over the Occupied Territories, and were issued commands and directives that had nothing to do with the security of our country, and that had the sole purpose of perpetuating our control over the Palestinian people. We, whose eyes have seen the bloody toll this Occupation exacts from both sides.
- We, who sensed how the commands issued to us in the Territories, destroy all the values we had absorbed while growing up in this country.
- We, who understand now that the price of Occupation is the loss of IDF's human character and the corruption of the entire Israeli society.
- We, who know that the Territories are not Israel, and that all settlements are bound to be evacuated in the end.
- We hereby declare that we shall not continue to fight this War of the Settlements.
- We shall not continue to fight beyond the 1967 borders in order to dominate, expel, starve and humiliate an entire people.
- We hereby declare that we shall continue serving in the Israel Defence Forces in any mission that serves Israel's defence.
- The missions of occupation and oppression do not serve this purpose – and we shall take no part in them.