

# RENEWING OUR Spirit

Saturday Night, November 2, 8:30-10:30pm Sunday, November 3, 9:20am - 4:50pm



**Shaarei Shomayim Congregation** 470 Glencairn Avenue, Toronto

**SATURDAY NIGHT, NOVEMBER 2** 8:30 - 10:30pm

# Israel, The Arab World and the **Media - A Panel Discussion**

Featuring: Jonathan Kay, Tovah Lazaroff, Shmuel Rosner, David M. Weinberg Moderator: Dr. Elliott Malamet Sponsored by the Hart and Malamet families in memory of Colin Malamet z"l

**SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 3** 9:20am - 4:45 pm

9:20 - 10:00

**Hindu Hassidim: How East Meets West** Rabbi Herzl Hefter

The Beatles and the Bible: **Thinking about General Culture** Ari Lamm

# Aliya? No One Told Me About This... **A Candid Discussion of the Realities** of Aliva

Rabbi Reuven Tradburks

10:05 - 11:00

## **Torment and Ecstasy in the Teachings** of Rabbi Nachman of Bratslav

Dr. Joel Hecker

# **Uncovering Rabbinic Forgeries**

Professor Moshe Koppel

## Thinking Positively: Why Israel is Winning the Battle Against all its **Adversaries**

David M. Weinberg

11:05 - 12:00

## The Mystical Program of the **Kabbalists in Tzfat**

Dr. Joel Hecker

## **Did the Tannaim Study Philosophy?** Socrates, Aphrodite & Rabban Gamliel

Ari Lamm

# When War Starts with a Tweet: The impact of New Media on the Israeli Palestinian Conflict

Tovah Lazaroff

Awakening: The Resurgence of **Patriotism in Post-Post-Zionist Israel** 

David M. Weinberg

12:05 - 1:00

# Who's Afraid of God? Why Modern **Orthodoxy Has Run Away From Jewish Mysticism**

Rabbi Herzl Hefter

# Hazal's Theory of Probability

Professor Moshe Koppel

# The Return to Yerushalayim: What Exactly Are We Hoping For?

Rabbi Reuven Tradburks

1:00 - 2:55

#### **Lunch and Keynote Panel**

# Israel as a Religious State: **Challenges and Opportunities**

Professor Moshe Koppel, Shmuel Rosner, Rabbi Reuven Tradburks, David M. Weinberg

Moderator: Dr. Elliott Malamet

3:00 - 3:55

# Four Who Entered the Pardes: **How Rabbi Akiva Emerged** Unscathed

Dr. Joel Hecker

or

## Yaakov and Eisav - Case Study of a Symbolic Interpretation of the Torah Rabbi Herzl Hefter

#### **Perspectives on Sports & Sports Fandom**

Ari Lamm

4:00 - 4:50

# **What Can Computers Tell Us** About the Torah?

Professor Moshe Koppel

## From Boston to Jerusalem: Covering the News in the Middle East

Tovah Lazaroff

# The Yom Kippur War,

**40 Years Later: Lessons for Today** 

Shmuel Rosner

4:55 Mincha

#### **SPEAKERS**

Dr. Joel Hecker, Professor of Jewish Mysticism on extended leave working on the translation and annotation of The Zohar: Pritzker Edition, Stanford University Press.

Rabbi Herzl Hefter is a veteran educator who has written numerous articles related to modernity and Hassidic thought. Most recently he was a research fellow at the Shalom Hartman Institute in Jerusalem

**Jonathan Kay,** Comments Page Editor at *The National Post.* 

# **Professor Moshe Koppel,**

Professor of Computer Science, Bar-Ilan University; Founder, Kohelet Policy Forum

Ari Lamm, Tikvah Foundation Post-Graduate Fellow: Fullbright scholar; Rabbinic Intern, The Jewish Centre, NY.

Tovah Lazaroff, Deputy Managing Editor at The Jerusalem Post.

**Shmuel Rosner,** Columnist for *The International New York Times;* Political Editor of *The Jewish* Journal; fellow at The Jewish People Policy Institute.

# Rabbi Reuven Tradburks,

Director of the Israel Office of the Rabbinical Council of America; formerly Rabbi of Kehillat Shaarei Torah of Toronto for 15 years before his aliya.

David M. Weinberg, Diplomatic columnist for Israel Hayom and The Jerusalem Post; Israel director of Canada's Center for Israel and Jewish Affairs.

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