



TEMPLE EMANU-EL Bulletin

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WORSHIP SERVICES

**Friday evening, December 21
Temple Sanctuary**

Organ Recital—5 P.M.

Sabbath Eve Service—5:15 P.M.

WQXR Radio (96.3 FM) and Internet
(www.wqxr.com) broadcasts—5:30 P.M.

**Saturday morning, December 22
Women's Auxiliary Lounge**

Torah Study—9:15 A.M.

Temple Sanctuary

Service—10:30 A.M.

Torah Portion—*Va-y'chi*

Readings—Genesis 47:28-50:26

I Kings 2:1-12

Sermon: Rabbi Amy B. Ehrlich

SHABBAT SHALOM

Friday, December 14 — 6:30 P.M.

Friday, January 11 — 6:30 P.M.

Adults and youth are invited to sing, pray and learn with us at this monthly late worship service. Enter at the Marvin and Elisabeth Cassell Community House, One East 65th St.

Sabbath and holiday services are available for downloading from the Web site (www.emanuelnyc.org) generally within one hour of the conclusion of the live service and for up to one week.

Read the Weekly Torah Commentary on the Emanu-El Web site. Click "Lifelong Learning: Adult Education."



Hearing Loop installed in Temple Sanctuary and Beth-El Chapel; switch aid to T-coil. Headsets or neck loops also available for use.

BRUNCH
& LECTURE

**Calling Things by
Their Real Name and
Fighting to Win**
(With Edward A. Turzanski)
Sunday, January 6 10 A.M.

Edward A. Turzanski

is a senior fellow with the Center for Terrorism, Counter-Terrorism and Homeland Security at the Foreign Policy



Research Institute in Philadelphia. He also serves as a national security analyst at La Salle University (Philadelphia), where he teaches in the department of political science. Prior to his university appointment, Mr. Turzanski served with the U.S. government in the field of intelligence throughout the Middle East, Central Asia and Eastern Europe. He is a life member of the Association of Former Intelligence Officers.

Mr. Turzanski received bachelor's degrees in Russian and political science from La Salle University and a master's degree in political science from Villanova University. He also has completed courses of study with the U.S. Army War College and the Joint Military Intelligence College.

The cost for this event is \$30 for Men's Club members (\$40 for nonmembers), which includes brunch. Make checks payable to the Men's Club. RSVP by phone to (212) 744-1400, ext. 250 or mensclub@emanuelnyc.org.

Houses of Life

JEWISH CEMETERIES OF EUROPE

On view now at the Bernard Museum
Sunday — Thursday, 10 A.M. — 4:30 P.M.
(212) 744-1400, ext. 259

PULPIT FLOWERS

**Pulpit flowers at Sabbath services
this weekend are the generous
donation of our congregants:**

Louis, Tony and Alexa Gardner
in loving memory of
wife, mother and grandmother
Madeline Capp Gardner
December 13, 2002

Denny, Nicki and Alex Rein
in loving memory of *Mark Alan Rein*

Barbara Slifka
in loving memory of her mother,
Sylvia Slifka

TO BE NOTED

Plans are underway for another Emanu-El Sabbath Dinner in Palm Beach. Our three previous dinners were unforgettable, and we would love to have Temple members and their families join us again.

If you are planning to be in Florida in mid-January and would like to join us, please call Robyn Cimbol, our director of Development, at (212) 744-1400, ext. 324. Invitations will be sent automatically to attendees of our previous dinners. We look forward to hearing from you and to sharing a special evening.

Charles S. Salomon
The Universal Funeral Chapel
1076 Madison Avenue (212) 753-5300
Our service is available in the Temple, home, or our Chapel.

ADULT
EDUCATION

Temple Emanu-El's
adult education classes
are free to Temple
members. No registration
required; attend whenever it is
convenient for you. Questions?
Call (212) 744-1400, ext. 214.

**PSALMS, PROVERBS
AND ECCLESIASTES:
Three Contemporary Perspectives
on the Meaning of Life**

Lecturer:
Saul Kaiserman,
Director of Lifelong
Learning



Tuesdays,
January 15, 22, 29
6:30 P.M. — 7:45 P.M.
One East 65th Street (Room 602)

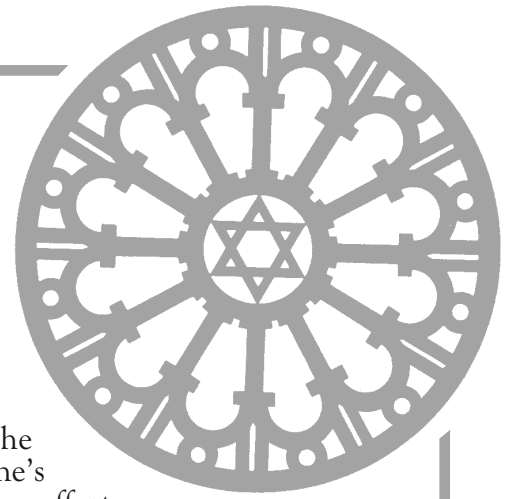
Who has not wondered why the wicked prosper while the righteous suffer, whether there is a Divine design that underlies reality, or how to find enduring happiness? By looking at texts from Psalms, Proverbs and Ecclesiastes, we will explore three different world views by which the Bible challenges us to think about the nature of evil, the reasons behind suffering and the purpose of human existence. No knowledge of Hebrew is necessary.

For more information about adult education offerings at Emanu-El, log on to the Temple Web site (www.emanuelnyc.org). Click "Lifelong Learning: Adult Education."

The Cemeteries of Congregation Emanu-El
Salem Fields and Beth-El

A limited number of above-ground crypts are available in our community mausoleum. For information, please call Dr. Mark W. Weisstuch at the Temple Office, (212) 744-1400.

THE LIVING LEGACY OF DAPHNE BURNES



IN THE SPRING OF 2002, a woman named Daphne Burnes approached her dear friend and long-time member of the Temple Loraine Liebmann. Daphne conveyed to Loraine her dying wish to leave a bequest in the amount of \$1 million that specifically would be used to aid the citizens of the State of Israel. Loraine suggested that Daphne do this in harmony with Temple Emanu-El and in honor of David Posner's election as the senior rabbi in May 2002. Daphne agreed, and the Daphne Burnes Philanthropic Fund of Temple Emanu-El was established.

Daphne lived only two months longer; she died in July of that same year. In the 5 years since her passing, the Temple has

distributed approximately \$450,000 in keeping with the spirit of Daphne's intention. These efforts have included an ambulance (the second contributed by Emanu-El — our first in Haifa and this one is in Jerusalem), a fire-truck designed specifically for very small streets and narrow alleys, nationwide screening of infants for birth defects, and special assistance for Haifa in the wake of the Lebanon war two summers ago.

Daphne Burnes was an angel, and our member Loraine Liebmann is a guiding angel. We thank them both.

To explore the benefits of making a gift by bequest to Temple Emanu-El, contact Development Director Robyn Weinstein Cimbol at (212) 744-1400, ext. 324 or development@emanuelnyc.org.



Photos by Ace Photographic

(From left to right): Philanthropic Committee Chairman Robert Calinoff, President Marcia Waxman, Senior Rabbi David Posner, Loraine Liebmann and Temple member Mark Lebow, president of American Friends of Magen David Adom, pictured at Rosh Hashanah with our newest ambulance, on its way to Israel.

MESSAGE FROM IRAQ

The following e-mail was sent to the congregation from Lieutenant Colonel Lance Allen Wang of the 58th Infantry in Iraq, expressing his appreciation for the gift packages prepared by Temple members as part of our Fall Mitzvah Day in November. Thank you to all who helped!

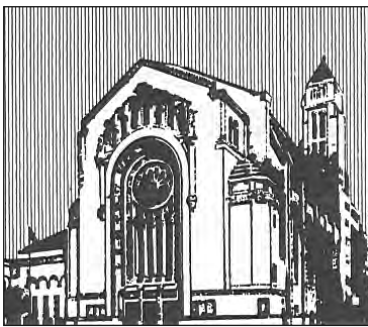
I just wanted to pass along that the packages (all of them, good heavens!) arrived this week. I already have had the Jewish Chaplain from a congregation on the far side of this base complex over to pick up a box and also contacted the Jewish lay leader from the International Zone ("Green Zone") in downtown Baghdad to find out how we could support him with this incredibly generous donation.

I can't even begin to express the depth of our gratitude — not only for the care packages but for the feeling of close-knit kinship to the Jewish community back home that this helps provide. The military

terms the Jewish community here "a distinct faith group"...a very technical and clinical way of saying there are not many of us. But, our common bond tends to bring us close very quickly. People that we've never met before become like family based upon that bond, not only those we've met here but also those who perform outreach like yours from stateside. Here in Iraq, it tends to lighten everyone's burden, and that is the greatest gift you have provided. "Mitzvah Day" indeed!



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