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# *Welcome*

## **Welcome to the Jewish Learning Academy!**

We are a vibrant community of Jews drawing upon the Divine wisdom of the Torah to gain insight, guidance, inspiration, and connection with our fellow Jews. Our programs are designed for all adults, regardless of affiliation, background, or level of religious observance. We aim to share the beauty and richness of our Jewish heritage with everyone who attends our events.

Our programs attract Jews from all spectrums of the community and provide a safe, friendly, and welcoming environment—free from judgment. Here, participants are encouraged to explore, question, share, and be inspired.

### **PRESENTERS AND INSTRUCTORS:**

Our presenters include rabbis, rebbetzins, and guest lecturers with profound knowledge of Judaism. They are passionate about their subjects and teach in an engaging, down-to-earth manner.

### **PARTICIPATION:**

We are a non-membership organization—everyone belongs. Browse our catalog of programs and choose the ones that appeal to you. Register online at [www.jewishacademy.info](http://www.jewishacademy.info) or [www.jewishcenter.info](http://www.jewishcenter.info).

### **QUESTIONS?**

We'd love to hear from you! Reach out to us with any questions or comments.

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**Phone:** 215.497.9925

### **TRY A CLASS FOR FREE!**

Experience our classes firsthand. Contact Rabbi Weinstein at [rw@jewishcenter.info](mailto:rw@jewishcenter.info) to schedule your free class.

### **SPECIAL ASSISTANCE:**

If you need any accommodations, please let us know, and we'll do our best to assist.

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# AURA WOMEN'S LEAGUE

Join our dynamic Aura Women's League, where women come together for activities, workshops, and learning as they grow in their Jewish journey. Connect with like-minded women and enrich your spiritual and personal life.

## **Pre Rosh Hashana Dinner**

Thursday, September 26

## **Sourdough Making**

Wednesday, October 30

## **Women's Israel Trip**

November 10-17

## **Resin Making Event**

December 2

## **Let's Dance Again Event**

January 16

## **Tu B'shvat Fruit Cake Decorating Workshop with Shaina Dubroff**

February 13

## **Hamentash Making**

March 5

## **Nutrition Workshop with Sheva Balkany**

Sunday, April 27

## **Annual Brooklyn Trip**

May 5

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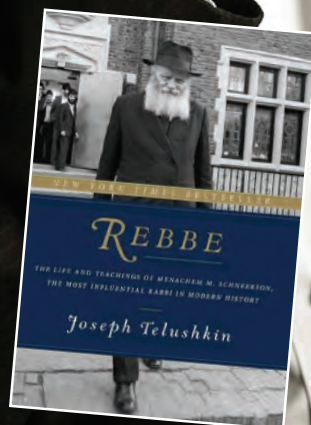
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email [rosie@jewishcenter.info](mailto:rosie@jewishcenter.info), or call 215.760.0455.

Jay Michael Swartz  
Memorial Event

Join us for  
**AN EVENING  
WITH JOSEPH  
TELUSHKIN**  
& Book Signing

**Tuesday, February 4, 2025**

Join us for a lecture by Joseph Telushkin, reviewing his best-selling book *Rebbe*. This enlightening biography offers a captivating portrait of Rabbi Menachem Mendel Schneerson, a towering figure and Jewish leader. It describes how the Rebbe turned Chabad-Lubavitch into one of the most dynamic and widespread organizations today.



**Glazier Jewish Center | 25 N State Street, Newtown**

**Lecture: 7:00 PM | Fee: \$25 | Books: \$30**

**Pre-lecture Dinner and Remarks: 6:00 PM | Fee: \$125**

Register at [www.JewishAcademy.info](http://www.JewishAcademy.info), email [rw@jewishcenter.info](mailto:rw@jewishcenter.info), or call 215.497.9925



A photograph of two men standing outdoors in a grassy area with trees in the background. The man on the left is older, with grey hair, wearing a light blue patterned button-down shirt and dark jeans. The man on the right is younger, with reddish hair and a beard, wearing a dark blue button-down shirt, blue jeans, and a patterned belt. Both men are smiling and have their arms around each other's shoulders.

## MASTERMIND GROUPS

Form or join a Mastermind Group with Rabbi Weinstein for monthly discussions and social gatherings. Connect with like-minded men to discuss various subjects, strengthen friendships, and enrich your life through meaningful conversations.

**To participate or create a group,**  
email Rabbi Aryeh Weinstein at  
[rw@jewishcenter.info](mailto:rw@jewishcenter.info).

Join Rabbi Aryeh Weinstein of Lubavitch of Bucks County on the



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Bucks County Pennsylvania



# LAND & SPIRIT

Men's Israel Trip

November 4–10, 2024

Discover your land,  
feed your soul,  
and connect with  
your brothers.



For more information, please contact Rabbi  
Weinstein at 215.497.9925 or [rw@jewishcenter.info](mailto:rw@jewishcenter.info)

**[LANDANDSPIRIT.ORG/MEN](http://LANDANDSPIRIT.ORG/MEN)**



# Jewish Wisdom for Building Deeper Connections

See how to build and nurture all your interpersonal relationships. Explore classic Jewish texts to uncover skills for empathy, active listening, constructive criticism, and effective relationship repair.

**Approved for CE credits for psychologists, social workers, LMFTs, and LMHC/LPCs**

**6-week course,**

**Mondays, beginning November 18, 2024 at 7:30 PM**

Instructor: Rabbi Aryeh Weinstein

Fee: \$129 (textbook included)

**Register by November 4 for a 10% discount**

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## DECODING THE TALMUD

### *Decoding the Talmud: Inside the Story, Substance, and Significance of the Book That Defines Judaism*

Discover the intricate world of the Talmud, its history, authors, and significance. Experience why it remains central to Jewish life. You'll decode every part of the Talmudic page and see why it powers Jewish life to this day.

**6-week course , Mondays, beginning  
January 27, 2025, 7:30 PM**

**Instructor: Rabbi Aryeh Weinstein**

**Fee: \$129 (includes student book)**

**Register by January 8 for a 10% discount**

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## COLORFUL PROFILES

### *Colorful Profiles: Short Stories of Extraordinary and Unexpected Characters from Jewish History*

Encounter twelve stories of Jewish history's most fascinating men and women: converts, captives, royal advisors, philosophers, philanthropists, and more. Witness their fascinating sacrifices, adventures, and achievements and uncover our people's rich history.

**4-week course, Mondays, beginning  
April 28, 2025, 7:30 PM**

**Instructor: Rabbi Aryeh Weinstein**

**Fee: \$129 (includes student book)**

**Register by April 15 for a 10% discount**

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## THE JEWISH COURSE OF WHY

The 50 biggest questions about Jews and Judaism. The topics covered in the popular JLI course, The Jewish Course of Why, span a diverse range, from fun, light, and unconventional questions to more complex and controversial issues.

*Winter Session:*

**4 Tuesdays evenings beginning January 21**

*Spring Session:*

**2 Tuesday evenings beginning May 6**

**At Lubavitch of Yardley**

1444 Yardley Newtown Road  
Yardley, PA 19067

### *A Fundamental Series for Women. Monday Mornings via Zoom*

In an uncertain world, develop rock-solid trust in G-d through Rabbeinu Bachya ibn Pekudah's *Chovot Halevavot, Shaar Habitachon*. Discover the serenity of a profound relationship with G-d.

**Mondays, 9:30–10:30 AM on Zoom**

**Session I: September 16, 23, 30**

**Session II: November 18, 25,**

**December 9, 16, 23**

**Session III: January 8, 15, 22, 29**

**Instructor: Rabbi Aryeh Weinstein**

**Fee: \$36 per session**

**Session IV: February 3, 10, 17, 24**

**Session V: March 3, 17, 24, 31**

**Session VI: April 28, May 5, 12, 19**

## GATE OF TRUST







## TORAH WITH ROSIE

Join a community of women from all walks of life around Rosie's dining room table. Draw inspiration and meaning from the weekly Torah portion and upcoming Jewish holidays.

### Wednesdays, 11:00 AM

September 4, 18, 25

October 9, 30

November 6, 13, 20, 27

December 11, 18

January 15, 22, 29

February 12, 19, 26

March 12, 26

April 2

May 7, 14, 21

Instructor: Rosie Weinstein

Free of charge

At the home of Rosie Weinstein

Register at [JewishCenter.info/Aura](https://JewishCenter.info/Aura),  
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215.760.0455

# A WORK OF HEART

BETWEEN ME AND G-D

**ROSHCHODESH**  
society



## FOR WOMEN

### *Between Me and G-d: How Jewish Prayer Unites Heaven and Earth*

Should we pray? Granted, prayer has been a key feature of Jewish life for four millennia. But what is its goal, how is it done, and why are ancient and formal rituals relevant to us nowadays?

The Rosh Chodesh Society's upcoming course, *A Work of Heart*, flings the cover off the Jewish prayer book, the prayer services, and the synagogue—exposing the beating and beautiful heart of prayer that breathes within. It reveals prayer as an art and an opportunity, a means of human-to-G-d bonding, a journey of self-discovery, a perspective changer, and an exercise in self-empowerment.

Instructor: Rosie Weinstein

Book Fee: \$20

At the home of Rosie Weinstein

### **Wednesdays, 11:00 AM**

December 4	April 30
January 8	May 28
February 5	June 18
March 5	

Register at [www.JewishCenter.info/Aura](http://www.JewishCenter.info/Aura), email [rosie@jewishcenter.info](mailto:rosie@jewishcenter.info), or call 215.760.0455



Join our intimate round table group on Thursday mornings to experience the wisdom, stories and hair splitting analysis of the Talmud. No knowledge of Hebrew reading required.

**Most Thursday mornings  
beginning September 12, 2024**

**At Lubavitch of Yardley**  
1444 Yardley Newtown Road  
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## TALMUD CLASS



## COFFEE + KABBALAH



Kickstart your weekend with some Jewish Java, where you can savor a gourmet cheesecake and refreshments while immersing yourself in a meaningful and practical life lesson drawn from the profound teachings of Jewish mysticism.

**Monthly on Sunday mornings  
beginning September 15**

**At Lubavitch of Yardley**  
1444 Yardley Newtown Road  
Yardley, PA 19067

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## CHASSIDIC PHILOSOPHY

### *Informal Style.*

Using assorted selected texts, we delve into deep, rich conversations that blend the intellectual, spiritual, and philosophical, and practical. The first thing you'll discover is just how much more there is to know.

**Most Shabbos Mornings, 8:45 AM**

**Instructor: Rabbi Aryeh Weinstein**

**Free of charge**

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## WINE & WISDOM

Join us for an evening of intriguing ideas and fascinating discussions, paired with fine wine and gourmet sushi.

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### *Lecture I: Seeing a Beautiful Garden*

**November 6**

Can we find positivity in all aspects of life, even in old age, work, struggle, and death, through a sophisticated understanding of reality?

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### *Lecture II: Realizing Your Potential*

**January 14**

Recognizing the soul's inherent perfection will boost your self-esteem, enhance your relationships, and inspire you to push your limits and redefine what's possible.

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### *Lecture III: A Better Concept of Self*

**February 25**

Pride can be intoxicating but overwhelming without humility, which balances confidence and reserve—how does Judaism define humility and its role in our personal values?

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## MOMMY & ME

### Fall Session: 5784/2024

#### 9 week Session

September 17

October 8, 29

November 5, 19, 26

December 3, 10, 17

### Winter Session: 5785/2025

#### 9 week Session

January 7, 14, 21, 28

February 4, 11, 18

March 4, 11

### Spring Session: 5785/2025

#### 4 week Session

April 29

May 6, 13, 20

Tuesdays, 11:00 AM – 12:15 PM

Fee: \$10 per class

Register at [www.JewishAcademy.info](http://www.JewishAcademy.info),  
email [rosie@jewishcenter.info](mailto:rosie@jewishcenter.info), or call 215.760.0455.



## FALL SHABBATON

### *A Shabbos Of Faith, Trust, & Hope with Sholom Mordechai Rubashkin*

Join us for a Shabbos that will inspire new levels of faith, trust, and hope with Sholom Mordechai Rubashkin. Hear about his trials, tribulations, and ultimate triumph. Let his energy rejuvenate you as he shares where he drew his strength from in the most trying and seemingly hopeless times. Despite a grossly unjust prison sentence and every door seemingly slammed shut, his trust in Hashem never wavered, leading to his miraculous commutation.



### **Shabbos, September 20-21**

Friday Night Service: 6:15 PM

Shabbos Dinner & Talk: 7:15 PM

Fee: Adults: \$45, Children 12 & under: \$25

Shabbos Main Service: 10:30 AM

Shabbos Lunch & Talk: 12:30 PM  
(no RSVP necessary)

Register at [www.NewtownShul.org](http://www.NewtownShul.org), email [rw@jewishcenter.info](mailto:rw@jewishcenter.info), or call 215.497.9925



## Shabbaton with Rabbi Tuvia Kasimov

### Fascinating Cases of Jewish Law

Rabbi Tuvia Kasimov is an expert in Jewish law and Rov and mentor to many budding Rabbis around the world. Rabbi Kasimov lives with his wife and children in Brooklyn, NY.

### Shabbos, December 20 – 21

Friday Night Service: 4:20 PM

Shabbos Dinner & Talk: 6:00 PM

Fee: Adults: \$45, Children 12 & under: \$25

Shabbos Main Service: 10:30 AM

Shabbos Lunch & Talk: 12:30 PM  
(no RSVP necessary)

## WINTER SHABBATONS

## Shabbaton with Rabbi Naftali Silberberg

### Unique and Inspiring Life Guidance of the Rebbe

Rabbi Naftali Silberberg is the co-director of the Rohr Jewish Learning Institute's Curriculum Development Department and co-editor-in-chief of JLI's Flagship Courses. Rabbi Silberberg lives with his wife and children in Brooklyn, NY.

### Shabbos, February 7–8

Friday Night Service: 5:10 PM

Shabbos Dinner & Talk: 6:15 PM

Fee: Adults: \$45, Children 12 & under: \$25

Shabbos Main Service: 10:30 AM

Shabbos Lunch & Talk: 12:30 PM  
(no RSVP necessary)

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