

Miami Fellows and Teens join together

SHEVET GLAUBACH FELLOWS BUSY WITH CHAGIM

Our Shevet Glaubach fellows are building relationships with their communities through shabbatons, 1-1 learning,

chevruta learning, meaningful activities and so much more.

They are also building

relationships with one another as they plan and discuss for their communities.

A NOTE FROM SOLLY HESS, CHIEF DEVELOPMENT OFFICER, SOUTHERN NCSY



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Leaving your comfort zone isn't easy. It can be unsettling to venture to parts unknown and attempt to find ourselves or discover new things when we don't really feel at home. If we're asked in those unfamiliar, new environments to not only lay down roots but to help others do the same, we may

approach things with uncertainty and self-doubt. We wonder how we can help others when we're so unsettled ourselves. How can I be strong enough to help others when I'm still searching myself?

And yet, this is what Avraham did and who he is. Leaving the only home he knew, departing from his comfort zone, embracing and promoting a contrary philosophy and view, spreading ideas that were yet to be accepted. He was far from home in so many ways, alone with little support. And yet all the while, Avraham grew more and more into his spirit of kindness, his generosity and warmth, and his open arms of welcoming to all. And in perhaps the greatest reflection of this fervor to lift others up, at his most fragile state, Avraham happily exerted himself to open his doors and make others feel at home when they looked lost. He was exhausted and worn, and yet mustered the strength to be there for

others.

This was Avraham. This is the Jewish People.

From the days of Avraham Avinu until today, we have been a people on the move. From town to town, country to country, there are too many stories to tell of Jews who wandered outside their comfort zone. And yet, in moments of great need or crisis, who are the first responders? Who are the ones who run to lift others up, despite their own personal circumstances. The Jewish People. Putting their comfort zones in their rearview mirror to ensure others are welcomed, safe, taken care of, and made to feel at home.

These are the Shevet Glaubach Fellows.

Incredible young men and women, themselves in the midst of their Jewish Journeys, searching to lay down their own roots for their future homes and communities. The Shevet Glaubach Fellows who make it their mission and purpose to connect, inspire, and teach young Jewish teens that the days of Avraham are still here. They raise up Young Jewish students to embrace a Jewish life that may be new to them, but still somehow so familiar. The Shevet Glaubach Fellows carry on the everlasting

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GETTING TO KNOW OUR FELLOWS BY: SECOND YEAR FELLOW, LEORA PAPIER

FROM TEANECK, NJ I SOUTHERN COMMUNITY



I'm from Teaneck NJ, and I am currently studying nursing at Stern College for Women. After being a Shevet Glaubach Fellow last year and then spending Highest source, the Creator of my summer on Yeshivat TJJ, I am extremely excited to be coming back for more this year! The meaningful relationships, deep conversations, insightful learning, and fun experiences are just some of the reasons that I am looking forward to being a fellow this year. After meeting the most special people from Southern NCSY and having such impactful moments on TJJ, have gained a large appreciation for NCSY and everything they do. I feel extremely passionate about Judaism and Torah and am really looking forward to sharing this love with others! I am a big believer in every Jew having his/ her special light that they must share with the world, and I hope to be able to help enable others to find their own light. I feel incredibly lucky to be a part of such an amazing fellowship and I can't wait for all that is in store for Shevet Glaubach this year IY'H!

During my year spent in seminary in the old city of Jerusalem, from

every chavrusa in the beis to late nights in the Rova to Kabbalas Shabbat at the Kotel, I felt a light growing inside of me, burning brighter and brighter each day. Growing up, on rare occasions I would feel this inner spark, maybe during a powerful kumzitz or an especially strong Hi!!! My name is Leora Papier, Shmonei Esrei, but only during my year in seminary did I finally understand what this spark was. This spark is the feeling of connectivity to the everything, the One who gives us our purpose every morning when He wakes us up. From each piece of Torah I learn or each time I see someone do chesed for others, there is an elevation within me that is almost impossible to describe. Despite this indescribability, this is the spark that causes me to get up every morning, excited as ever, to start my day and thank Hashem for everything in my life. This is the spark that I would like to help instill within each individual and within each community I get the zechus of meeting. This feeling of spiritual elevation is unlike any other feeling; it is one that causes me to crave connection to Hashem and to every other Jew in the world. Each and every Jew has a special Neshama within him/her, which designed uniquely to connect to Hashem. In helping others find their own personal way to connect spiritually, IYH we will all be able to see how beautiful and happy life is when we can

feel Hashem's presence. As humans, it is normal to feel lost, empty or alone and in order to fix these issues, people do things that may help, but only temporarily. However, as Jews, we have a built-in source of happiness and meaning. In connecting to Hashem and building a relationship with Him, it becomes natural to depend on Him for anything and everything. Only then can we realize that we are never alone, we are never lost and we are never not whole. Each and every Jew is born holy, with Hashem within them! It is just our job to dig deep to find our inner kedusha and to connect it back to its source! In teaching others that Hashem is all around us, in every step we take, in every tree in a forest, and in every grain of sand, we can all live lives of constant connection and meaning IYH.

I plan on using my own connection personal passion as one of many ways inspire others. Baruch Hashem, Hashem instilled within me the kochos of optimism, friendliness, and Emunah, each of which I plan on utilizing and sharing with others when revealing the true beauty of yiddishkeit to as many as I can. During my year of Sherut Leumi, which I spent volunteering at Shaarei Tzedek Hospital, my growth was challenged, as I spent the year in Israel, away from my home, family and friends. During this transformative period, I strengthened my connection to my yiddishkeit and to Eretz Yisrael, as I discovered that I was not doing things to please or conform to

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FACES OF THE FELLOWSHIP



MATTIE WATSON SILVER SPRING, MD

Hi! My name is Mattie Watson and I am from Silver Spring, MD. I went to JDS for high school and then attended Midreshet Moriah for a year. I am currently a junior in Stern studying sociology. I'm super excited to be a part of the Shevet Glaubach Fellowship because I hope to inspire teens to love Torah and Judaism as much as I do. In high school, NCSY and my advisors had a huge impact on my life and I hope to have the same affect on the teens.



MALKA DERDIK

CEDARHURST. NY

My name is Malkie Derdik, I'm from Cedarhurst NY. I am currently studying Psychology at Queens College. I'm really excited for all the opportunities through the NCSY Shevet Glaubach Fellowship. I'm looking forward to meeting new people, instilingl a love and appreciation of Judaism in the Southern teens and having a great

time!



GAVRIEL DOMSKY

CHICAGO, IL

H!! My name is Gavi Domsky, I'm grew up Chicago Illinois where I attended THE Yeshiva. I then learnt in Yeshivat Shaalvim in Israel for 2 years . I'm currently learning in Yeshivas Rabbeinu Yitzchak Elchanan and attempting to major in business. I'm super excited about being apart of the Shevet Glaubach Fellowship and meeting everyone else apart of this incredible group of people! I hope to bring a great new energy to the Shabbatons. Can't wait to connect and grow with everyone in a meaningful and spiritual way.



JONATHAN KOSOWSKY

DALLAS, TX

Hi, my name is Yoni Kosowsky. I am from Dallas, TX and I currently attend Yeshiva University where I am studying biology. I am looking forward to be a part of the Shevet Glaubach Fellowship program to grow closer to Hashem together with Klal Yisrael.

A NOTE FROM SOLLY HESS (CON'T)

Jewish values of kindness and achdus, teaching Jewish teens the value of renewed Jewish roots and empowering them to build a more connected future.

We thank Drs. Felix and Miriam Glaubach and their children for their vision and inspiration to ensure that the Jewish Future is taken care of, to make certain that no matter how many Jewish students are currently unsettled the Fellows will guide them out of their comfort zones and into the Shevet Glaubach home.

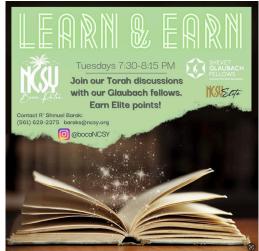
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others, but solely because I felt meaning in my life and in my relationship with Hashem. After this life-changing experience, I have been continuously working on understanding my role in the world and how I can work on being the best version of myself to inspire others. This summer I was zoche to be an Advisor on Yeshivat TJJ, which was another amazing experience, in which I shared my deep-rooted love and appreciation for the feeling of being close to Hashem with all of my teens. By disclosing my own experiences and ways of connecting with Hashem, each of the NCSYers learned that they too can plant their own seed in order to grow in their own Yiddishkeit. Although we all may connect in our own unique ways, I believe that by tapping into our Chelek Eloka Mimaal (Piece of Hashem) to connect to Hakodesh Baruch Hu, we can each begin our own journeys of seeing Him in our own lives.

HIGHLIGHTS









Miami Fellows and their Teens





Celebrating Sukkos in Hollywood

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TJJ Fellows in Florida on Geula Shabbaton











Fellows and teens build their own sukkahs!

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SGF Southern Advisor Shabbaton Kick Off

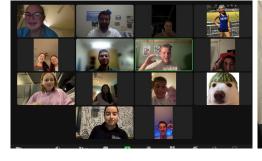


Edible sukkah making



Miami Fellows and Teens





Fellows lead Torah and Chill with Greater South Community



Southern Fellows and teens spending time in the Sukkah



Greater South Torah Learning with SGF



