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להיו

יְהִי רָצוֹן מִלְּפָנֶיךָ ה׳ אֱלֹהֵינוּ וֵאלֹהֵי אֲבוֹתֵינוּ שֶׁתִּשְׁלַח מְהֵרָה רְפוּאָה שְׁלֵמָה מִן הַשָּׁמַיִם,
רְפוּאַת הַנֶּפֶשׁ וּרְפוּאַת הַגּוּף לִפְצוּעֵי הַמִּלְחָמוֹת, וּלְנִפְגָּעֵי מַעֲשֵׂי טֶרוֹר וְאַנְטִישֶׁמִיוּת
בְּיִשְׂרָאֵל וּבְכָל מָקוֹם שֶׁהֵם – עִם שְׁאָר חוֹלֵי יִשְׂרָאֵל. אָמֵן.

May HaShem protect our soldiers; may He send Refu'ah Sh'leima to the many injured; may He console the bereaved families and all of Israel; may He end these wars with total success and peace for Medinat Yisrael and Klal Yisrael wherever we are.



YERUSHALAYIM in/out for CHAYEI SARA

November 6-7, '26 • כ״ז מרחשון ה׳תשפ״ז

4:11PM Plag **3:38PM** • **5:23PM** R' Tam **5:57PM**

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Shabbat M'vorchim

This Shabbat, Parshat Chayei Sara, we bench Rosh Chodesh Kislev, which will be on next Tuesday and Wednesday.

רֹאשׁ חֹדֶשׁ כִּסְלֵו יִהְיֶה
בְּיוֹם שְׁלִישִׁי וּבְיוֹם רְבִיעִי
הַבָּא עָלֵינוּ וְעַל כָּל יִשְׂרָאֵל לְטוֹבָה׃

The molad will be on Monday night, November 9th, 22h 27m 3chalakim.

הַמּוֹלָד יִהְיֶה לֵיל שְׁלִישִׁי, עֶשְׂרִים וְשֶׁבַע דַּקּוֹת
וּשְׁלֹשָׁה חֲלָקִים אַחֲרֵי עֶשֶׂר בַּלַּיְלָה.

In Rambam notation - ג׳ ד:תפט

The actual (astronomical) molad (New Moon) is on Monday morning, 9:02am.

About Rosh Chodesh Kislev

Because Marcheshvan can have 29 days (55.17%) or 30 days (44.83%), Rosh Chodesh Kislev has the most Rosh Chodesh options of any month.

R"Ch Kislev can be: Sunday (21.92%) or Sunday/Monday (9.97%). That adds to almost 32% of years, which is a MACHAR CHODESH situation. And the Shabbat announcing R"Ch in those years is Parshat To-l'dot.

The other 68% of years, R"Ch benching is Chayei Sara, with Rosh Chodesh being on Tuesday (10.23%) or Tuesday/Wednesday (18.44%) or Thursday (11.51%) or Thursday/Friday (16.52%) or just Friday (11.51%)

Each of the seven possible Rosh Chodesh Kislev situations exists in two year-types - on plain 12-month year and one 13-month year. This is so because it is the day of the week that begins the year and the status of Marcheshvan that determine Rosh Chodesh Kislev, regardless of whether there are one of two Adars in the year, since Kislev is before Adar and not affected by the Adar situation.

Remember the song: Never on a Sunday? It was a song and movie title from 1960. Remember it or not, Rosh Chodesh Kislev's song could be Never on a Shabbat. Rosh Chodesh Sivan cannot fall on Shabbat either, but it has only four options, not seven like Kislev has.

Kiddush L'vana

This is for next Motza'ei Shabbat, but here's heads up and explanation.

Minhag Yerushalayim is that the first opportunity for KL is three full days after the molad. That would be on Thursday night, November 12th after 10:06pm. The problem is that the Moon will have set way before then. We don't say KL on Friday night unless it is the last opportunity,

which it isn't. So Motza'ei Shabbat Parshat To-l'dot, November 14th is the first op. And the most popular time as many people say Kiddush L'vana on Motza'ei Shabbat only.

The other opinion besides Minhag Yerushalayim is based on Kabbala and does not say KL until seven full days after the molad. That would be next Monday night, November 16th after 10:06pm. That's cutting it close because the Moon will set at 10:33pm and even right after 10:06pm it will be close to the horizon and most people will not be able to see the Moon when they need to. They might have to wait until Tuesday night and then they can say KL right after dark.

There is a variation of the 7-day-after -the-molad timing that allows saying KL at the beginning of the night if it is not too much earlier than the full 7-day timing.

If you are not fixed on a particular opinion, then in winter time it might be smart to say KL after three full days to avoid missing KL altogether due to cloudy nights.

Remember, we are talking about a week plus from now, not this coming week.

Shalom Aleichem - Aleichem Shalom