PHILOTORAH

לה״ו

יְהִי רָצוֹן מִלְּפָנֶיךָ ה׳ אֱ־לֹהֵינוּ וֵא־לֹהֵי 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 Parshat VAYEITZEI

November 20-21, '26 • י״א כסלו ה׳תשפ״ז

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CAL NOTES

Kiddush L'vana

In any month, the last opportunity for saying Kiddush L'vana is half way between the month's molad and the next month's molad.

That point in time is called the NIGUD when the Sun and the Moon are opposite each other from the perspective on Earth.

Know that the timings we use when there is no Sanhedrin but rather a fixed calendar are based on the average time it takes the Moon to go through a cycle of phases and not the actual, astronomical time.

So the time from the molad until the nigud is half of 29d 12h 44m 1p, which is 14d 18h 22m.

The molad of Kislev 5787 was on Monday, November 16th at 10:06pm.

The nigud - the last time for KL is Tuesday, December 1st at 10:28am. This means that the last op for KL is Monday night, November 30th - all night.

He's a big truck driver

Does that mean that he is a big person who drives a truck or is he a person who drives a big truck? It depends on where you pause in the original statement. He is a big-truck driver tells you one thing. He is a big truck-driver tells you something else. And saying that he is a big truck driver leaves you too uninformed. And why am I telling you this? So you can have some fun discussion at your Shabbat-Chanuka table.

Friday, December 4th this year is Erev Shabbat-Chanuka. But it isn't Erev-Shabbat Chanuka. Second candle is Motza'ei-Shabbat-Chanuka.

Fri, Dec 11 is Erev-Shabbat-Chanuka, but the following night is Motza'ei Shabbat-Chanuka and not Motza'ei-Shabbat-Chanuka.

Years with two Shabbatot Chanuka occur about 18% of the time. The last one was 5770, sixteen years ago. The next one is scheduled for next year.

When Chanuka is Shabbat to Shabbat, we read Vayeishev on the first one and Mikeitz on the second one. In such years, there are always two days Rosh Chodesh Tevet - Thursday and Friday. And Vayeishev-Chanuka is M'vorchim.

Turns out that when Chanuka begins on Shabbat, the first day of Rosh HaShana and the first day of Sukkot and Sh'mini Atzeret (a.k.a. Simchat Torah in Israel) were also on Shabbat.

According to Minhag Yerushalayim, Mizmor Shir Chanukat HaBayit L'David is the Psalm of only four of the days of Chanuka. ANYK!