

## December 2009 Events

*Friday, December 4 - 8 PM.....HaMingyan*

Mel Scult will lead a discussion entitled *Suffering – The Traditional and the Reconstructionist Attitude*, a consideration of the way that traditional Judaism has dealt with suffering and the way that Reconstructionism deals with it. All who have suffered are invited.

*Saturday, December 5 & 19 - 1:30 PM.....HaMatmid Tanach Study Group*

Join us to study the Prophets and the Writings. We are using modern Biblical criticism, archeological findings, literal and social research, modern and old *Midrash* and other commentaries. The study is in English. No previous knowledge is required and all are welcome.

*Monday, December 7 - 7:30 PM..... Women's Study Group*

Join our Women's Study Group for their discussion of Hannah as part of their Women in the Torah series at the home of Leila Alexander.

*Tuesday, December 8 & 22 - 7:30 PM..... Bible Study with Susan Schorr*

Working in English, we study the text of the Bible as literature, as mythology, as psychology, as sacred document, as story and in many other ways.

*Saturday, December 12 - 10 AM.....JFLL Shabbat Morning Program*

The Jewish Family Life and Learning Morning Shabbat Program welcomes children and parents of all ages to join in a variety of learning, prayerful and social activities throughout the morning. From joyful singing with the community in the main service to interactive educational activities with our teachers Mimi, Mick & Sarah, there's something for everyone! Includes 'Tot Shabbat' for ages 0-4. Watch your email for a detailed schedule of the day.

*Saturday, December 12 - 7 PM.....Yad Mordecai Adult Education Liturgy Series*

Mel Scult will continue our liturgy series with a discussion about The Kaplan Prayer Book.

*Sunday, December 13 - 6 PM.....YACHAD Folksbiene Event*

YACHAD welcomes you to their Folksbiene event, *Theodore Bikel in Shalom Aleichem: Laughter Through Tears* at Baruch College.

*Tuesday, December 15 - 6 PM.....Hodesh Hevre*

Teens will gather to reflect on their community service experiences and learn leadership skills that they can use as part of their service projects, as well as in the synagogue. The gatherings will also include some Jewish learning to inform and inspire their volunteer work. Teens also take a role in the monthly family community service projects.

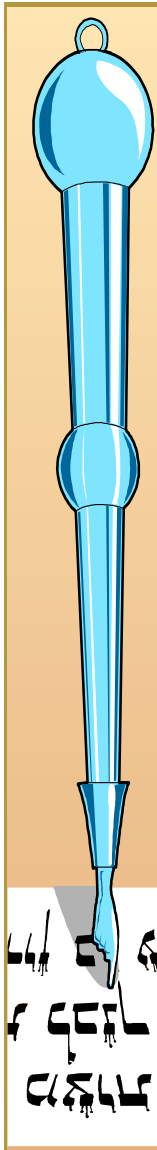
*Thursday, December 17 - 7 PM.....GMAE Author's Night*

*Sunday, January 17 & 18.....Noar Hadash Mini Kallah*

*Saturday, January 30 - 6 PM.....Progressive Dinner*

Plan to attend our members-only progressive dinner. Get to know other WES members in their homes or yours. Enjoy cocktails and a lovely meal and then meet back at WES for delicious desserts. To host or make your reservation as a guest, call the WES office at 212-579-0777, ext. 224.

**December Food Drive: Canned applesauce, fruit and vegetables**



*Shabbat / Services Schedule:*

*Friday, December 4 -17 Kislev*

*Parashat Va'yishlach*

6:00 PM – Family Service

8:00 PM – HaMinyan

*Saturday, December 5*

9:00 AM – Torah Study

10:00 AM – Shabbat Services

*Friday, December 11 - 25 Kislev*

*Parashat Va'yishev*

6:30 PM – Kabbalat Shabbat

Chanukah 1<sup>st</sup> Candle

*Saturday, December 12*

New Member Shabbat

9:00 AM – Torah Study

10:00 AM – Shabbat Services

*Friday, December 18 - 2 Tivet*

*Parashat Mi'Ketz*

6:30 PM – Shirat haLev Kabbalat Shabbat

*Saturday, December 19*

9:00 AM – Torah Study

10:00 AM – Shabbat Services

Bat Mitzvah of Dalia Wrocherinsky

*Friday, December 25 - 8 Tivet*

*Parashat Va'Yiggash*

6:30 PM –Kabbalat Shabbat

*Saturday, December 26*

9:00 AM – Torah Study

10:00 AM – Shabbat Services

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**Please Note New Office Hours**

Tuesday through Thursday: 9 AM to 5 PM

Friday: 9 AM to 2 PM