



# PRESENTED TO REV. MICHAEL PLASKOW<sup>P</sup> MBE<sup>N</sup>

## Background

Daf Yomi, דף יומי, "page of the day" or "daily folio" is a daily regimen of learning the Oral Torah and its commentaries (also known as the Gemara), in which each of the 2,711 pages of the Babylonian Talmud is covered in sequence. A daf consists of both sides of the page. Under this regimen, the entire Talmud is completed, one day at a time, in a cycle of seven and a half years.

## Halakha

The brit milah בְּרִית מִילָה, circumcision, is performed by a mohel on the eighth day of a male infant's life.

on January 5<sup>th</sup> 2018 as an expression of the great appreciation of the Young Israel Community for his acting as the Maggid Shiur<sup>L</sup> of Daf Yomi<sup>B</sup> for over twelve years, from May 2005. This enormous effort in the daily preparation and presentation of complicated Talmudic texts is a further example of his exemplary life as a dedicated minister of religion.

## Personality

Rev. Michael Lionel Plaskow MBE was born on 8th July 1936, in Tel Aviv, in Mandate Palestine. He was Minister at Woodside Park Synagogue, from 1956 until 2000, serving over 40 years in the United Synagogue and Chaplain to the Mayor of Barnet, from 1999 until 2000. He was an Honorary Grand Chaplain of the Freemasons.

He became a Freeman of the City of London in 1994 and received an MBE<sup>N</sup> in 1998. He was also a mohel<sup>H</sup>. He estimated that he performed nearly 2000 circumcisions, including several on sons of babies he had circumcised early in his career.

Following his Aliyah he has been active as a Baal Koreh and Warden in the Young Israel Synagogue of North Netanya.

## Language

This term is used to refer to the Rabbi that lectures in a Yeshiva or Kollel.

A Maggid Shiur is generally a Rabbi who lectures on advanced Talmudic studies.

## Notes

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