

התחדשות תמידית

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**Fee and booking details:**

£5 per session. Youth are free.

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# The Hertfordshire Ellul Programme



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the 2008 Hertfordshire Ellul Programme

**11 September 2008**

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**8.00pm**

The Kabbalah of the Shofar and the role of the Jew in the renewal of Creation  
*Rabbi Dr Naftali Brawer*



Rabbi Dr Naftali Brawer is the Rabbi of Borehamwood & Elstree Synagogue. He is a research fellow at LSJS and has a PhD in Hebrew and Jewish Studies from the University College London. Rabbi Brawer was recently appointed Vice-Chairman of the Rabbinical Council of the United Synagogue, and is also a regular columnist for the Jewish Chronicle.

**8.50 - 9.10pm**

Refreshment break

**9.10pm**

Don't try this at home:  
Midrashic approaches to the Binding of Isaac  
*Lindsey Taylor-Guthartz*



Lindsey Taylor-Guthartz was appointed an LSJS Teaching Fellow in 2006. She studied archaeology at Cambridge and the Hebrew University, and lived in Israel for 17 years. She lives in Hendon, editing and translating books on Jewish subjects. Lindsey is also a graduate of the Susi Bradfield Women Educators' Programme.

**18 September 2008**

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**8.00pm**

Who were the Ten Martyrs and what can we learn from their sacrifice?  
*Rebbetzen Dina Brawer*



Rebbetzen Dina Brawer was born in Milan, Italy, and educated in Jerusalem, New York and London. She holds a BA in Jewish Studies and an MA in Education and Psychology. She is a past contributor to the Jewish Chronicle's D'var Torah column. Dina is a graduate of the LSJS Susi Bradfield Women Educator's Programme, and is the Rebbetzen of Borehamwood & Elstree Synagogue. She was a key part of the organising committee for the Israel 60 celebrations.

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Refreshment break

**9.10 - 10.00pm**

'Freedom of Choice – an essential for Teshuva' – an analysis of Maimonides' philosophical approach to Teshuva  
*Rabbi Avi Scharf*



Rabbi Avi Scharf is the LSJS Rabbinic Scholar in Residence, Rabbi of the Alei Tzion Community at LSJS and Rosh Kollel of the Torah MiTzion Kollel London, at Immanuel College. He has semichahs from Rabbi Shlomo Riskin, Rabbi Zalman Nechemia Goldberg and Yeshivat Hamivtar in Efrat, where he studied and later taught. From 2002 to 2004, he was the Rabbi of Young Israel-OU Synagogue and Rosh Kollel Torah MiTzion at the Center for Jewish Living at Cornell University. Rabbi Scharf has been the Rosh Beit Midrash at Kehilat Shirat Shlomo in Efrat and the Rav Mechanech at Ohr Torah Stone Yeshiva High School in Ramot. He undertook halachic research for Rabbi Riskin and is currently completing a degree in Education and Teaching at Machon Herzog.