## Study out of love

This concept is a fire to our feet. We want to engrave in the hearts of our students the aspiration to excellence in values through an internal drive towards a love for studies in general, and a love for the studies of the sources of our heritage in particular. As such, we have built a unique and attractive model which characterizes Talmud Torah Emmanuel:

In order to impart upon a student the desire to improve him or herself, and to aspire to grow and develop their character, we felt it beneficial to hold the image of Lt. Col. Emmanuel Yehuda Moreno, HY"D, as a role model and standard bearer in which children would aspire to reach through a ladder system of IDF style ranks, up until that of Emmanuel's rank, Lieutenant Colonel.

The children receive ranks according to a number of criteria:

- Behavior between an individual and his or her friends and colleagues.
- The carrying out of weekly tasks that entail personal responsibility.
- The carrying out of societal tasks or deeds that instill leadership.
- Diligence and a proficiency or knowledge in the Holy Studies.

A student who successfully demonstrates the above criteria advances in rank via a promotion ceremony and receipt of an award.



## The vision

We see the program of Talmud Torah Emmanuel, led by the Rav Kook School of Tlamim Israel, as the beginning of a comprehensive endeavor that will reach many children, spreading the light of our dearly beloved Emmanuel with all his wonderful attributes, his love of G-d and his love of the people of Israel being the very essense of his purpose.



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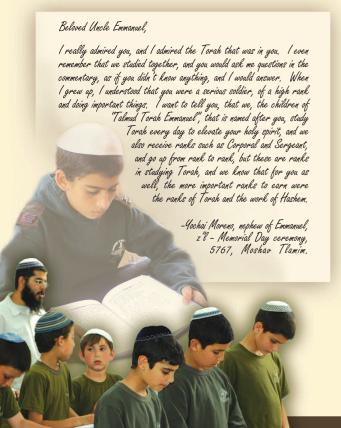
Torah Study Program Talmud Torah Emmanuel

In the name of Lt. Col. Emmanuel Yehuda Moreno HY"D

### The Holy Lt. Col. Emmanuel Yehuda Moreno HY"D

Dedicated his soul in life and in death to the holiness of his people and land, went up into the heavans during battle in the land of Lebanon on the day of the holy Sabbath parashat "Reah" 25th of Menachim Av, 5766, at the age of 36. May his soul be bound in the eternal vessel of life.

Lt. Col. Emmanuel HY"D was a Jewish hero, a daring fighter, officer, and admired commander of Israel's elite General Reconnaisance Unit, but not only that – our dear Emmanuel was an incredible individual, a unique personality who combined noble qualities and characteristics together with great faith and a strong spirit. The life of Lt. Col. Emmanuel was a continuous aspiration towards and striving for a personal "completeness" in the realm of values and Torah, and in being a noble emissary on behalf of the people of Israel, his land and his country.



# Imparting the legacy of Emmanuel, HY"D amongst the children of Israel

The objective of the program is to impart to our children the legacy and persona of our dearly beloved Emmanuel, who held in exceptional harmony a love for the people of Israel, the land of Israel and the Torah of the Jewish people.

#### Imparting of Jewish Values

The students learn, together with the instructors, from the Judaic sources according to content carefully selected for different age groups. In order to deepen and internalize the material in the hearts of students, we plan "study missions", e.g. Gemara study missions with workbooks and special cards, or a supplemental study mission in preparation of the holiday of Shavuot.

#### Leadership Development Among Our Youth

Personal tasks and a rotating schedule of activities are given to encourage and develop responsibility and initiative on behalf of the children, e.g. the discussion of Torah topics during meals, distribution of psalms for reading among residents of the village, and more.

#### Acts of Kindness and Assistance to Others

In order to educate the students to be sensitive and to listen to the needs of others, and engage in acts of kindness, we have built a special program as a contribution to the community. In this framework the children go out to area hospitals during Purim to cheer up the patients, assist during the Pessach holiday in the cleaning of courtyards of elderly residents, and go out to senior citizen homes to cheer up spirits.

#### Knowledge of and love for Eretz Yisrael (Land of Israel)

As citizens with knowledge of Torah values and ethics in the State of Israel, it is important for us to develop awareness and love for the Land of Israel.

In this regard, from time to time the children go out on trips and tours throughout the country. Trips that are organized at Talmud Torah:

- -Trip to an Israel Air Force (IAF) military base.
- -Tour of Sayerei Lachish (regional amusement park) and Beit Govreen Caves.
- -Trip to Jerusalem combined with a visit to the Western Wall for prayer.
- -Hike out to Garer's Stream following in the footsteps of Avraham our Father.

#### **Rav Kook Regional School - Tlamim**

The Rav Kook School of Torah and Science in Tlamim is the only state religious school in the Lachish region, providing an opportunity to students in the region interested in state religious eduction. In light of the current times, school management labors to create an educational framework that provides a creative response to the contemporary needs of a wide population base - both in academic studies as well as Torah values.

#### Talmud Torah - An Enhanced School Program in Values

The school is comprised of a wide variety of children coming from religious and traditional families, who live in the different towns and villages in the region. The difference among the students is expressed both in terms of socio-economic status as well as degree of priority for them for a quality education. These differences give rise to different needs, among them a strenthening and cultivation of Jewish values and the sources of these values.

As such, it was decided to create an after-school program which would extend the regular day devoted to the core curriculum, under the tutelage of the Ministry of Education, with a supplemental program devoted to enrichment in values and Torah study through Talmud Torah. The program is an affiliate of the "Melat" curriculum.

In this aim, we renovated the structure which housed the old synagogue of the school. The children receive a hot meal, pray together in Mincha (afternoon) services, and attend different classes according to age groups for studies and enrichment activities, according to a study curriculum designed for each group.

One of the objectives of Talmud Torah is to instill the value of mutual support and comraderie among peers, each arriving from different backgrounds. The mission before us is to maintain patience and acceptance of those who may be different, and obligates us to develop such qualities among our students as well. The instructors create an environment of unity that develops warm, friendly and supportive relationships.