

SPECIAL SHABBAT MORNING GUEST

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As we know, the war in Gaza has taken its toll.

Hundreds of soldiers have given their lives, and thousands more have been wounded. As we have prayed for the hostages these last 7 months, we have also prayed for the health and well-being of the soldiers of the IDF.

This Shabbat we are honored to welcome IDF Soldier Menachem Mendel Vile as our special guest. He will share his story with us, how he was severely wounded in Gaza, and how is now on the path to a full recovery because of the amazing people at Sheba Hospital.

We are proud that we have so many deep personal connections to Israel. This Shabbat we will have a chance to make one more and to learn about one of the great hospitals that is so deeply enmeshed in Israeli life and which will soon have an even greater connection to New Jersey.

In the past, I have quoted Israeli philosopher Micah Goodman who has said, "Israel is a small country, with a big story." Menachem's story is part of something much bigger.

Join us this Shabbat to hear more.

(Note: this is not an event to raise funds.)

**Menachem will be joined by
Lieutenant Colonel (Res) Mr. Yoel Har Even of Sheba Hospital.**

MENACHEM MENDEL VILE

Menachem Mendel Vile was Injured in Jabalya on December 12, 2023. Born on March 5, 2003, Menachem is one of 4 children. His family made Aliya from Chicago in 2010 and moved to Bat Ayin in Gush Etzion. Menachem enlisted in March, 2023 in the role of combat engineering.



Menachem completed 8 months of training and went straight into Gaza with Battalion 614 Brigade 460. He was in Gaza for three weeks until he was injured. In Jabalya, Menachen and his army staff were hit by an anti-tank missile. He lost a dear friend and four of the soldiers, including Menachem, were injured. He received shrapnel all over the left side of his body.

Menachem spent three months at Sheba Medical Center and is now in day rehabilitation.