

e Orthodox Commune \* אטאווא - קאנאדא Toroel, Ottawa



## **BUCKINGHAM PALACE**

Mr. Moshe Koraus

A am delighted to hear that you are celebrating your one hundredth birthday. A send you my and good wishes for an enjoyable day. warmest congratulations on this happy occasion

### Elizabeth Q.

## Congratulatory Messages from Her Majesty The Queen

during The Queen's Royal Tour, from June 28 to July 6, 2010; Her Majesty visited Halifax, Ottawa for the transmission of Her Majesty's best wishes to Canadians. The photograph was taken Her Majesty The Queen personally approved this message, which was specially designed Winnipeg, Toronto and Waterloo.

## Message de félicitations de Sa Majesté la Reine

s'est déroulée du 28 juin au 6 juillet 2010; Sa Majesté avait alors visité Halifax, Ottawa, Winnipeg. ses meilleurs vœux aux Canadiens. La photo a été prise durant la Tournée royale de la Reine qui Sa Majesté la Reine a personnellement approuvé l'utilisation de ce message pour transmettre

## PALAIS DE BUCKINGHAM



Her Majesty The Queen in Right of Canada/Sa Majesté la Reine du chef du Canada/Michelle Perles and/et Corey de Laplante, Rideau Hall



August 15, 2022

Dear Mr. Kraus,

Congratulations on your 100<sup>th</sup> birthday!

During your lifetime, the country has undergone some amazing shifts: a transition from one century to the next. Evolution of technology, society, community. Times of great challenges and of great joy. No matter what role you played in the last one hundred years, you have been an essential part of our country and we are grateful for all your contributions.

Your experience is valuable and respected, and we can all learn from the wisdom you have to share.

In the language of Inuktitut, from the South Qikiqtaaluk, *nalliuniqsiutsiarit!* In English, happy birthday!

I wish you a wonderful day filled with happy moments and memories.

Yours sincerely,

Mary Simon

Governor General of Canada

Mr. Moshe Kraus



# Cantor Moshe Kraus

warmest congratulations on the occasion of your It is a great pleasure to send you best wishes and one hundredth birthday



Prime Minister of Canada Ottawa 2022



### PRIME MINISTER . PREMIER MINISTRE

Ottawa, Ontario K1A 0A2

May 24, 2022

Dear Mr. Kraus:

Sophie and I would like to offer you our best wishes on the occasion of your 100th birthday.

Your birthday is a time to embrace a well-deserved sense of self-fulfillment and to celebrate your many accomplishments attained over the years. I join with your family and friends in wishing you the very best as you celebrate this significant milestone.

I would also like to thank you for the many moving performances you have shared with Canadians on Holocaust Memorial Day, as well as your continued advocacy for the Jewish community. You have left a significant mark on so many lives — one that will continue to inspire others for years to come.

Please accept my warmest regards and best wishes for continued health and happiness.

Sincerely,



On behalf of the Government of Ontario, I am pleased to congratulate

### **CANTOR MOSHE KRAUS**

on the occasion of your

### One Hundredth Birthday

Today you mark an extraordinary milestone — your  $100^{th}$  birthday. I hope this celebration is a joyful reminder of a century of living life right and a happy addition to fond memories of birthdays past.

I wish you a wonderful day as you celebrate this very special occasion.

Legislative Building, Toronto August 18, 2022

> Doug Ford Premier

Der Präsident der Bundesrepublik Deutschland

Berlin, im August 2022

Herrn

Kantor Moshe Kraus

Ottawa

Verelik Kantos hoshe kraus,

zu Ihrem 100. Geburtstag gratuliere ich Ihnen von ganzem Herzen. Ich wünsche Ihnen einen erfüllten und glücklichen Tag und hoffe, dass Sie die Vollendung Ihres persönlichen Jahrhunderts mit den Menschen feiern, die Ihrem Herzen nah sind.

Verbinden möchte ich meinen Gruß mit dem Ausdruck großer und aufrichtiger Wertschätzung: In einem jungen Alter haben Sie als Sohn einer jüdischen Familie in Deutschland unsägliches Leid erfahren müssen. Die Erfahrungen, die Sie und viele andere Menschen gemacht haben, waren entsetzlich. In all den grausamen Zeiten haben Sie durch Ihre Lieder und Ihren Gesang anderen Menschen Trost gespendet und für Hoffnung gesorgt. Viele Menschen sind Ihnen zutiefst dankbar hierfür. Ihnen gebührt auch meine tiefe Anerkennung.

Besonders dankbar bin ich Ihnen, dass Sie als Zeitzeuge von Ihrem Lebensweg berichteten, unter anderem in Schulen, und sich der Holocaust Erinnerung und Education besonders stark gewidmet haben. Sie haben sich leidenschaftlich und unermüdlich eingesetzt für das Gedenken an den Holocaust und für das Aufklären über die universellen Lehren aus der Shoah. Ich bin sicher, dass Sie viele junge Leute inspirieren konnten, Antisemitismus und Rassismus zu erkennen und sich dagegen zur Wehr zu setzen.

Auch ich werde weiterhin dafür eintreten, Antisemitismus und Rassismus weltweit zu bekämpfen und dafür zu sorgen, dass jüdische Menschen Deutschland als ihre Heimat betrachten. Denn in einem Land, in dem Juden nicht leben können, können und wollen wir alle nicht leben. Nur wenn Juden sich in Deutschland vollkommen sicher und zuhause fühlen, ist auch diese Bundesrepublik vollkommen bei sich.

Ich wünsche Ihnen Gesundheit und Wohlergehen sowie Gottes Segen.

Tri horlichen Grifen, Frank-Lelke Seinmers

Translation

The President of the Federal Republic of Germany

Cantor Moshe Kraus

Ottawa

Dear Cantor Moshe Kraus, (m.p.)

Please accept my hearfelt congratulations on the occasion of your 100th birthday. I wish you a fulfilling and enjoyable day and hope that you can celebrate your personal century with those who are dear to you.

Along with these birthday greetings, I would like to express my profound and sincere admiration. As the son of a Jewish family in Germany, you experienced untold suffering at a young age. What you and many others had to go through was appalling. Throughout those dreadful times, your songs and your singing brought consolation to others and allowed them to hope. Many people are deeply grateful to you for that. Allow me, too, to express my profound

I am particularly grateful that, as an eyewitness, you have spoken about your life and experiences, in schools for example, and that you have engaged with such tremendous dedication for Holocaust education and remembrance. You have worked passionately and tirelessly to keep the memory of the Holocaust alive and to pass on the universal lessons to be learnt from the Shoah. I am sure that you have inspired many young people to recognise and to fight antisemitism and racism.

I, too, will continue to work to combat antisemitism and racism worldwide and to ensure that Jewish people regard Germany as their home. Because none of us can or wants to live in a country in which Jews cannot live. Only if Jews feel entirely safe and at home in Germany can this Federal Republic be truly complete.

I wish you good health, happiness and God's blessing.

With very best wishes,

Yours, (m.p.)

(sgd) Frank-Walter Steinmeier



# Presented to / Présenté à Cantor Moshe Kraus

On the occasion of your 100th Birthday À l'occasion de votre 100th anniversaire de naissance Congratulations / Félicitations

Jim Watson
Mayor/Maire



### Cantor Moshe Kraus

As Member of the Legislative Assembly of Ontario and on behalf of the constituents of Ottawa-Vanier, I would like to extend my sincere congratulations and best wishes on your

### 100th Birthday

It is my hope that you continue to enjoy life in good health and that the future continues to bring you much happiness and love.

Lucille Collard, MPP

Ottawa-Vanier May 18, 2022



May 29, 2022

Dear friends,

On behalf of the Embassy of Israel in Canada, I want to extend a warm Mazal Tov to the congregants of Ohev Yisroel Synagogue on its 20<sup>th</sup> anniversary of serving Ottawa's Jewish Orthodox residents.

On this special evening, we are also honouring Rivka Kraus and Cantor Moshe Kraus on his 100<sup>th</sup> birthday. The couple have resided in Ottawa for nearly half a century and are staples of the local community. Cantor Kraus' remarkable and inspiring life journey has touched the hearts of so many community members, not just in Ottawa, but through his noble work around the world.

I am honoured to be writing to you for this gala event honouring the breadth of Cantor Kraus' achievements; while facing unimaginable adversity in his life.

Cantor Kraus is a Holocaust survivor, having been imprisoned in concentration camps during the war. In 1949, he moved to Israel where he joined the Israeli Defense Forces, becoming their first chief cantor. Throughout his career, he served as cantor in the Oxford Street synagogue in Johannesburg, South Africa, and officiated in Mexico, Venezuela and finally Canada.

Cantor Kraus achieved fame as a composer and as a world-class cantor. Further, he has been an active speaker, ensuring the memory and experiences of the holocaust are never forgotten.

Rivka Kraus has been a steadfast and active member of the community throughout her time in Ottawa. An accomplished activist in the International Emunah Women's organization, she has continuously helped organize annual events and established the Mothers-in-Israel programme which alleviates poverty and establishes various educational institutions in Israel. For many years, she was the President of the organization's Ottawa chapter.

The Kraus' are a beloved couple in Ottawa's Jewish community and it is my honour to thank them for their service, commitment and many contributions to Ottawa's Jewish community. Their connection to Ohev Yisroel has been strong for the entirety of its existence as proud members and participants in services. Rivka and Moshe are selfless, generous, and principled members of the community and I wish them and Ohev Yisroel many more healthy and happy years.

Sincerely,

H.E. Ambassador Dr. Ronen Hoffman

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**National President** 

Rochelle Rein

May 22, 2022

**Immediate Past President** 

Arvella Weisz

Dear Friends,

Chairman of the Board Dalya Hakimi It is with great pleasure that I am writing this letter on behalf of the board of Emunah Canada, on the wonderful occasion of the 20th anniversary of Congregation Ohev Yisroel and celebrating Rivka and Chazzon Moshe Kraus on the occasion of his 100th birthday.

Treasurer Sara Rachlin

We extend heartfelt congratulations to Congregation Ohev Yisroel on your milestone 20th anniversary. We wish you much continued success.

**Recording Secretary** Roberta Newman

> We wish Chazzon Kraus a very happy 100th birthday. May you have many more in good heath ad 120.

**Board of Directors** Baila Aspler Sarah Bauer Dalya Hakimi Flaine Monaker Roberta Newman Sara Rachlin Rochelle Rein Arvella Weisz

וכל מי שעוסקים בצרכי ציבור באמונה, הקדוש ברוך הוא ישלם שכרם All those who engage with public needs in faith, will be rewarded by Hashem.

Officers

There is no pasuk that describes Rivka better. It is an honour for us to be able to recognize the work of Rivka Kraus and the incredible role she has played and continues to play in Emunah Canada and Emunah Ottawa. Through her dedication she has helped countless, vulnerable children, women and families in Israel. She has held a leadership role on the board of Emunah Canada for many years. She has always been passionate about ensuring the continuity of Emunah Ottawa, by motivating and inspiring young people to become active, going so far as to travel to Israel so she can show them first hand the incredible work Emunah does.

Bracha Aronson Baila Aspler Aviva Drazin Ruth Drazin Sari Drazin Paula Dubrow Yaffa Factor Elaine Genesove Dalya Hakimi Vera Honigwachs Rivka Krauss Alina Mayer Elaine Monaker Roberta Newman Sara Rachlin Rochelle Rein Arvella Weisz Francie Yudcovitch Gladys Zarecki Zippy Zwiebel

We wish Moshe and Rivka, as well as the Ohev Yisroel community Mazal Tov on this special simcha. May you all continue to go from strength to strength.

Sincerely, Rochelle Rein Rochelle Rein

**Executive Director** Marissa Muscat

President Emunah Canada



Improving the Lives of the Disadvantaged in Israel



בס"ד

9<sup>th</sup> May 2022

Dear friends,

It is my great privilege to write to you from Israel, on behalf of the Board and members of the World Emunah organization, to add our congratulations to the Ohel Yisroel community on the occasion of your 20<sup>th</sup> Anniversary and to honour particularly Rivka Kraus and Cantor Moshe Kraus on his 100<sup>th</sup> birthday (to 120 years!).

I particularly wanted to express our gratitude for Rivka's long-time involvement with Emunah and to highlight the tremendous positive impact that her contribution has had, benefitting the lives of so many families and helping to strengthen Israeli society. Rivka has been a dedicated and hardworking member of Emunah Canada, serving as the President of the Ottawa chapter for many years. She has always worked tirelessly to help others, establishing programmes to alleviate poverty affecting new families and supporting education in Israel. Emunah owes her a debt of gratitude for all her efforts, helping to make life better for the ten thousand children and families in Israel who rely on Emunah for vital welfare services every day.

We wish Moshe and Rivka and the whole community mazal tov on this very special simcha and hope you all enjoy a wonderful celebration. May you go from strength to strength.

Warmest wishes from Israel,

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**Deborah Nathan** 

Director of World Emunah

### 20<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Gala Celebration Ohev Yisroel

### **Event Programme**

Approximate times only

### 11A.M.

Tom Gussman, Master of Ceremonies, Welcome! Cantor Moshe Kraus - 'A Sweet Mouth' video Adam Peters Rabbi Moshe Mordechai Lowy Rabbi Avraham Teitelbaum Rabbi Joel Scher

### 11:30 am

Anna-Lee Chiprout reads Rachel Diena's Letter Lisa Hamaoui and Ruth Guggenheim Mordechai and Giti Deutsch Lawrence Aryeh Mervine Cantor Eliezer Hershtik Cantor Moshe Kraus - Lulay video

### 11:50 AM

MC - Tom Gussman - Robert Hage, past Canadian Ambassador to Hungary & Slovenia Pastor Rudy Fidel
H. E. German Ambassador Sabine Sparwasser
Cantor Moshe Kraus Kristallnacht video
Genevieve Renaud, Pianist

### 12:10 PM

MC - Tom Gussman reads Rabbi Howard Finkelstein's letter Rabbi Ysroel Meir Butrimovitz Elisha Wiesel, video Cantor Binyomin Muller – Cantor Kraus, Shma Yisroel 1950!

### 12:30 PM

MC - Tom Gussman Rivka Reichberg and son, Moshe Shimon Reichberg Prize Draw Thank You to All Cantor Moshe Kraus - Bruderlach Zugt video

### 12:45 PM - Gala Closes

Thank you so much for joining us!!

### **The Presenters**

We are deeply grateful to our Gala speakers and musical artists for sharing with us their words and music of praise, prayer and wisdom.

### **Tom Gussman, Master of Ceremonies**

Tom has been an active member of Ohev Yisroel since its inception and was president of Congregation Beth Shalom prior to that. Tom and his wife Natalie have lived in Ottawa since 1975 and always been volunteers in the Jewish community. They have been neighbours of Rivka and Moshe Kraus for 23 years. Tom has been walking to Shabbat services with Cantor Kraus since 1989!

### Rabbi Yisroel Meir Butrimovitz, Chicago

I spent 7.5 years in Ottawa and was one of the pioneers who formed the Kollel of Ottawa. We had the unique honour and privilege to know the Krauses intimately for the entire duration of our stay in Ottawa, hosting them for many a Shabbos and Yomim Tovim (holy days).

Chazzan and Mrs. Kraus had a tremendous impact on how our family approaches Yiddishkeit and more specifically how we approach Tefilla (prayer) and the art of being a Baal Tefila (prayer leader). As I had the opportunity and responsibility to lead the Tefila at our Yeshiva during the whole year and the Yamim Noraim (High Holy days), I was privileged to use the lessons we gleaned from spending so much time with Chazzan Kraus and hearing him lead the Tefilos at the Kollel in Ottawa.

### Motti and Giti Deutsch, Ashdod, Israel

Motti Deutsch is Rivka Kraus's loving nephew and along with his wife Giti and their family lives in Ashdod, Israel. Motti works in a chesed charitable organization that tends to needy families as well as studies Torah many hours a day. Giti is a psychotherapist for Emotional Stress Diffusion. Together they have 4 married children, 2 girls and two boys, and many grandchildren. They feel 'heavenly blessed.'

### **Pastor Rudy Fidel, Winnipeg**

In 2007 our church Faith Temple hosted a Yom Hashoah memorial together with B'nai Brith Canada. We were likely the first church to do so in Manitoba history. In 2017, a mutual friend of the Krauses in Ottawa, Anna-Lee Chiprout (who helped with the Yom HaShoah event), gave us Cantor Kraus' book, "The Life of MOSHELE DER ZINGER: How My Singing Saved My Life". My wife Gina and I were in awe of the story.

So, we phoned Anna-Lee and requested that Cantor Kraus come to Winnipeg to speak at our church as well as organize a book launch for him. The response we received was "Cantor Kraus has retired from public speaking events, but as he has never received an invitation from a Christian clergyman he is willing to make a one-time exception". Well, the rest is history as we set up quite a few speaking

engagements including Tuxedo Shaftsbury High School - a packed auditorium of 650 students!

Since then we have become very good friends of the Krauses visiting them many times in Ottawa and flying with them to Israel on their last trip. Rivka Kraus introduced us to the organization, Emunah. Since 2017 our church has supported Emunah's STEM program. We have been to Israel **22 times!** 

### Ruth Guggenheim, Israel

Ruth Guggenheim is the Director of Interfaith Relations for World Emunah, Israel. She focuses on building bridges of understanding, respect and collaboration between the Jewish and Christian communities on behalf of the people of Israel.

Ruth made Aliyah to Israel in 2016 from Baltimore, Maryland, where she worked in the Jewish Communal field for over 40 years. Her many positions include: Executive Director of the east coast JEWS FOR JUDAISM; the Executive Director of the Baltimore Chapter of Hadassah; the Director of CHAI, an agency of The Associated Jewish Community Federation of Baltimore; and a religious school teacher.

She was also a talk show host on numerous Jewish radio shows in the Baltimore/ Washington area. In 2011, Ruth was one of only 300 individuals in North America to be nominated for the prestigious Jewish Communal Professional Award. Ruth has three children (two living in Israel) and six grandchildren.

### Lisa Hamaoui, Montreal, Canada

Lisa Hamaoui has been involved in Emunah for the past 21 years. She began as a volunteer and started working as Montreal Director almost 10 years ago. She currently holds the position of Assistant National Director of Emunah Canada. Lisa is active in her Shul, Congregation Beth Israel Beth Aaron helping to plan activities as well as being a board member. She lives in Cote St. Luc with her husband David and daughter Leah and is very much looking forward to her other daughter Sara returning from her year in Seminary in Israel.

### Robert Hage, Ottawa

Robert Hage is a Fellow at the Canadian Global Affairs Institute and an Executive Fellow at the University of Calgary's School of Public Policy. He was a Foreign Service Officer for 38 years with the Department of Global Affairs and served as Canada's Ambassador to Hungary and Slovenia, as Director General for Europe and Director General for Legal Affairs. He is a graduate of the University of Calgary, the University of Toronto in law, University College in London in international law and attended L'Ecole Nationale d'Administration (ENA) in Paris.

### **Cantor Chaim Eliezer Hershtik**

Cantor Hershtik was born into a long line of cantorial vocalists. He was known at one time as "The youngest cantor in the world", who performed and led services since the age of 4 until age 14 in many places and produced numerous recordings throughout his career. He credits Chazzan Moshe Kraus for aspects of his inspiration and style. He followed Cantor Kraus' tenure as the cantor in Johannesburg's large Oxford Shul and was Chief Cantor of Tel Aviv, Israel for several years. He lives with his family in the community of Bnei Brak, Israel.

### Rabbi Moshe Mordechai Lowy

Rabbi Lowy, shlit"a, has been the leader of Congregation Agudath Israel of Toronto for 40 years. He studied in the Yeshiva Gedola in Detroit, where he was one of the greatest "masmidim" or deeply devoted Torah learners. He is sought after for his "piskei Halacha" or Jewish legal rulings all over North America and beyond. He is the author of *Master Your Words, Master Your Life: Real-life Answers, Advice and Strategies for Proper Speech.* We, in Ohev Yisroel, turn to him whenever we have "sheilos" or spiritual questions. It is a great honour to have him give words of "chizuk", strengthening, to our kehilah.

### Lawrence Aryeh Mervine, Cleveland

I attended Hebrew school at the Cleveland Hebrew Schools and went to Camp Sharon sponsored by the College of Jewish Studies (Chicago). I taught Hebrew school and directed Sunday School for three Synagogues. My career as a public school teacher in Cleveland was in Social Studies and History.

I directed a program funded by NASA called Career Awareness Program (CAP) in Science and Technology which won the National Science Teachers' Star Award in the 1980's. Through organizing student trips to Washington D.C., we met Justice Thurgood Marshall, Senator Robert Kennedy, FBI Director, J. Edgar Hoover, etc. In 1969, we visited Coretta Scott King, Dr. Martin L. King's widow, and also Neil Armstrong at Cape Kennedy before his mission to the moon.

I left public education to become Director of Corporate/Foundation Relations for the Case School of Medicine in Cleveland. My most satisfying achievement was receiving a \$100 Million gift from an alumnus! Though retired, I am a volunteer chairing a fundraising effort for our small Orthodox (Heights Jewish Center) Synagogue).

### Adam Peters

Adam Peters was born in Montreal, grew up in Victoria, BC, and has lived in Ottawa for the past 20 years. In the summer of 2004, Adam, while living downtown, was encouraged to attend services at Ohev Yisroel. That Friday night, he met his future wife Esther, and embarked on a journey that would lead to 17 years of marriage, eight beautiful kids and many exciting adventures. This keeps him very busy, but in his spare time he works for the Government of Canada.

### Genevieve Renaud, Ottawa, Canada

My name is Geneviève Renaud and music has saved my life too. That's why the first time I watched the interview of Mr. Kraus on YouTube, I was inspired. I immediately went to my piano, and composed a piano piece that I will be performing for his 100th birthday.

I have been playing piano and the organ since I was 6 years old. I have my bachelor in music majoring in piano performance as well as history, education and theory of music. I have been through many traumas in my life and very hard obstacles but music always kept me alive and believing in a better tomorrow. I chose at the age of 4 to see the good in the world and not the evil. It is such a

privilege and an honour to share this piano composition inspired by Mr. Kraus for his 100th birthday.

### Rabbi Joel Scher

My name is Rabbi Joel Scher. I received my Rabbinical ordination at the age of 68. I was born and raised in Chicago and lived there for the first 70 years of my life. Fortunately, I married a woman from Ottawa and after living in Chicago with me for 35 years, she convinced me to move back to Ottawa. Since my in-laws live in Westboro, when we visited, I would daven at the Young Israel. Periodically I would see this impeccably dressed gentleman and was finally introduced to Cantor Kraus. After moving to Ottawa, I began to volunteer with Jewish Family Services with in house chaplaincy visits and was fortunate enough to be able to visit Rivka and Moshe regularly for the next 4 years (except when Covid restrictions were in force). I found our visits fascinating and our families became good friends as well. Still visiting every Monday morning at 9:30!

### Rabbi Avraham Teitelbaum, Johannesburg, South Africa

Rabbi 'Avromi' Teitelbaum, shlit"a, is the son of Heshel and Dina Teitelbaum. He grew up in Ottawa and participated in Ohev Yisroel in its early days. He was privileged to be mentored by Chazan Kraus and considers the Chazan to be a leading influence in his life. Avromi currently teaches and is a rabbinical student in Johannesburg, South Africa.

### **Cantor Benyomin Muller**

When Benjamin Muller was a baby, his mother who had a beautiful mezzo-soprano voice and who grew up in her parents' home listening to recordings by the legendary Yosseleh Rosenblatt and other great Cantors, used to put him to sleep singing the songs she had learned from those recordings, so Benjamin absorbed Chazanuth and music from the most tender age.

He went to Italy already as a youngster where he met great Opera singers like Gianni Raimondi of the Scala Opera House in Milan and the Metropolitan Opera in New York; they praised his talent and encouraged him to pursue an Operatic path. But Benjamin chose to dedicate himself to the synagogue songs and prayers.

He started very young as the Cantor of the Zichron Kedoshim Congregation in Montreal, Canada, and then went on to be one of Johannesburg, South Africa's leading cantors. It is there that he met Moshe Kraus for the first time.

From there he was invited by the prestigious Antwerp, Belgium community to serve as Chief Cantor (the same community where Moshe Kraus was Cantor years before), centred in the Shomrei Hadas Synagogue, a position he still holds today.

### Elisha Wiesel, USA

Elisha Wiesel is an American businessman, who is Chairman of the Israeli financial technology start-up vendor management firm '**The Floor**'. He worked for Goldman Sachs for 25 years, serving as its chief information officer for three years, until December 2019. He is the only child of Holocaust survivor, author, professor, and Nobel Peace Prize recipient Elie Wiesel. (Wikipedia)

### From the Board of Directors of Ohev Yisroel





Ohev Yisroel, Downtown Ottawa's Orthodox Synagogue, is celebrating its 20th anniversary. We are located in Sandy Hill, close to the University of Ottawa, to Parliament Hill, to the Market and beautiful tourist attractions. Starting off with services in a private home and in the party room of an apartment building in Sandy Hill, Ohev Yisroel has been operating at 516 Rideau Street for the past 18 years, where its sign proudly hangs over a major downtown pedestrian thoroughfare. Over these years Ohev Yisroel has offered an orthodox choice in the downtown area of the Nation's capital, where tourists, visiting businesspeople, temporary government employees, students and local residents have been able to pray on Shabbos and on the Yomim Tovim. Our shul has hosted hundreds of visitors from all over the world, and we have always provided Shabbos hospitality to them. Ohev Yisroel offers services in a warm, friendly and heimische atmosphere, in the spirit of "ahavas Yisroel" - love of one's fellow Jew. Lay members lead the services, and everyone, regardless of background or affiliation, is invited to participate in any way they can. Nobody is turned away for lack of funds, even on the High Holidays. Every service is followed by a congregational kiddush.

Chazan Moshe Kraus and Mrs. Rivka Kraus have resided in Ottawa for almost 50 years. Their hospitality is world-renowned. Moshe Kraus achieved fame as a composer and as the leader of the elite among the world-class cantors. His own unique style is inimitable. Almost all currently eminent chazanim look up to him. He officiated as the Chief Cantor of the greatest synagogues in the world, starting at the age of 18

with Sighet, Marmoresh, Budapest, Bucharest, Antwerp, Johannesburg, Mexico City, and finally Ottawa, and appeared at chazanus concerts all over the world. He was also the first Chief Cantor of the Israel Defence Forces. A Holocaust survivor, he has been very active speaker, ensuring that the current and future generations do not forget what happened to European Jewry. He has recorded cantorial liturgy and chassidic tunes and also composed prayer-tunes and chassidic melodies. His autobiography entitled *The Life of Moshele der Zinger: How Singing Saved My Life* is available through Indigo bookstores. Chazan Kraus has participated regularly in our shul services ever since 2002, when our synagogue became the only Orthodox shul in downtown Ottawa. Since the moment that Rivka married Moshe, she has stood by his side and supported all of his worldwide efforts - a truly devoted Eishes Chayil.



In her own right, Rivka has been an accomplished activist in World Emunah, organizing annual events and establishing the Mothers-in-Israel programme which alleviates poverty and creates various educational institutions in Israel. She was the President of the Ottawa chapter for many years. Almost all Jewish residents of Ottawa have known and loved the Krauses for their selfless devotion to individual guests as well as to institutions in Ottawa. We are proud to have Moshe and Rivka as active members of our shul.

We are celebrating both anniversaries (20 for our shul and 100 for Chazzan Kraus). By attending this ZOOM-gala, you who know and love the Krauses, as well as speakers and singers, are honouring the Krauses and inspiring us to emulate their devotion to Yiddishkeit and to celebrate their contributions to Jewish life all over the world.



Ohev Yisroel – Exterior



Ohev Yisroel – interior view from the Ezras Nashim



Chazan Kraus together with Rabbi Yonah Burr, Rosh Kollel Ottawa, at our Hachanassas SeferTorah 2004



Chazan Kraus' famous Na'anuim - Chol Hamo'ed Sukkos, 2010

Mazel Tov on the 20th Anniversary of Ohev Yisroel.

May you continue to serve the needs of Ottawa's Orthodox community, and all who visit it, for the next 120 years.

Bernie Teitelbaum

Mazel tov and best wishes to Cantor Moshe and Rivka Kraus and to the congregation,

Ohev Yisroel.

From Louis and Deborah Davis



https://knightshootproductions.com/

The partners and associates of Knightshoot Productions extend a hearty mazal tov to Cantor Moshe and Rivka Kraus and to Ohev Yisroel on its 20th anniversary Mazal tov to Chazan Kraus. May he and Rivka continue their many decades of devotion to and enhancement of the Ottawa Jewish Community.

Adele and Jeff Sidney

מזל טוב

to **Rivka** and **Cantor Moshe Kraus** and **Ohev Yisroel** on this auspicious occasion. May you go from strength to strength.

Natalie and Tom Gussman

Mazal tov to Moshe and Rivka on this honour which is very much deserved. You are both a blessing in my life. Love Anna-Lee Chiprout

### Chani & Bram Bregman

WITH SINCERE ADMIRATION & THANKS TO MOSHE & RIVKA KRAUS

FOR ALL OF THE WONDERFUL THINGS THEY\'VE DONE FOR JEWS IN OTTAWA & THROUGHOUT THE WORLD ZACHARY AND FAIGY MUROFF

Best wishes to 120 years.

Lorna Bernbaum, M. Ed. Educational Consultant Ontario Certified Teacher Mazel tov to Cantor Moshe Kraus and to Ohev Yisroel on these wonderful milestones

from

Ian Sadinsky and Joan Bercovitch

Mazeltov to Cantor Moshe Kraus on this centenary milestone

My late husband, Bob Applebaum (Z.L)
was a long-time admirer
of your perseverance in the time of
adversity and your optimism in
the years that followed.
To you, and Mrs. Rivka Kraus,
May you only know nachas
in the years ahead

Gaye Applebaum

**Mazel Tov** to the Krauses and Ohev Yisroel on this wonderful anniversary.



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גלייבן מיר אז

### כולן שוין לטובה!



ווען איך דערמאן זיך צוריק די אלטע צייטן ביים טאטען און מאמען ז"ל הי"ד אין שטוב, דערמאן איך זיך שיינע זכרונות וויאזוי אונזערע עלטערן האבן זיך אלץ שטאלצירט מיט זייערע קינדער - דיי טייערע געשוויסטער, און וויאזוי דו האסט אייביג געטראכט פון מיר און ווי אזוי איך האב אויף דיר - מיין עלטערע ברודער - אייביג ארויפגעקוקט, ווערט מיר אייביג געטראכט פון מיר אויפ'ן הארץ.
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At this momentous occasion, at the marking of your 100th birthday (ad me'ah v'esrim), I remember the tumultous times that have passed over us.

The childhood years we spent growing up together with our siblings in the home of our holy parents (may their blood be avenged);

The agonizing war years we spent in the concentration camps under the claws of the evil Nazi beast;

And with G-d's grace we have survived, flourished and are now approaching our 100th birthday.

My dear brother, I find the pen and paper not eloquent enough to express my feelings to you, my older brother, whom I always looked up to – and who always thought about me and my welfare.

So many years have passed, yet your dedication to me and my great love to you has never diminished, it has actually grown and deepened.

May the Holy One blessed be He, to whom you have cleaved to and believed in during the most difficult times, bless you and your dear, devoted wife Rivkah, who is always faithfully at your side. May you be blessed with many more long years, enjoying continued good health, to be happy and content, and able to carry on with your daily lives, until we merit the coming of Moshiach, speedily in our day, amen.

Your devoted sister,

Rívka Reichberg (Kraus)



**A LOVING FAMILY** Brother and sister Cantor Moshe (Shimon) Kraus and Rivkah Reichberg (Kraus), Holocaust survivors who remain dedicated to each other.



**THE SISTER OF CHAZAN KRAUS** Mrs. Rivka Reichberg (Kraus), seen with her son & daughter-inlaw Mr. & Mrs. Moshe Shimon & Gitty Reichberg. She resides with them in Brooklyn, New York.



### throughout the years to his nephew & niece, Moshe Shimon & Gitty Reichberg, residing at 1348-41st Street

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Chazan Kraus' sister & nephew Mrs. Rivka Reichberg & R' Moshe Shimon Reichberg

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In honour of a very special couple -Cantor Moshe and Rivka Kraus.

Continued blessings in everything you do.

Dr. Joseph and Devora Caytak

Rivka Kraus S. Cantor Moshe Kraus,

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Mazal tov to Cantor Moshe Kraus on your 100th birthday. You inspire all of us in shul. David Adelson

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Best wishes and mazal tov on your special birthday. May you go from strength to strength to 120! Dr. Andre & Shelley Engel

Mazel Tov to Cantor Moshe and Rivka Krausz from Anna Hinberg

Mazal Tov to Chazzan & Rivka Kraus and Ohev Yisroel for Reaching these brilliant milestones! Michael Savage & Marla Keyes-Savage

Mazel Tov on the 20<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Ohev Yisroel! Nathaly and Brian Pascal Mazal tov to the Krauses and Ohev Yisroel from Hennie, Allen and Mark Honigman

### Mazal tov from John Fleischman

MAZEL TOV and THANK YOU for all the music.

Byron Pascoe

Mazal tov to Ohev Yisroel from Haze Wainberg and Mervin Blostein

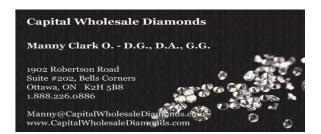
Mazel tov from Louise Charest and Stanley Mardinger

L'chaim to Cantor Kraus, who has lived an extraordinary life and has made an important contribution to Jewish life in Ottawa with the help of his supportive and proud wife. From Robin Mader

Kol ha'Kavod to a fabulous team of organizers! from Lisa & David Cohen

Mazal tov from Jerusalem Chazan Kraus on your milestone 100th birthday. We salute you and your contribution to the Ottawa Jewish Community over many decades. Henry and Maureen Molot. Mazal tov on becoming a ben meah. Wishing you continued health and happiness with berachah and hatzlachah ad meah vaesrim shanah... Zvi and Michla Finkel

Many thanks to Chazan Kraus and Rivka for generously sharing your authentic Yiddishkeit, music, and warmth with so many. On this special occasion, we wish you continued strength- mi-hayl le- hayil. Love, Bruce Gaynes and Leah Cohen Gaynes





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Mazal Tov to Chazzan and Rivka Kraus and Ohev Yisroel

from Judith and Harvey Slipacoff



May HaShem grant you both many more years of happiness and joy as you have been role models for the Jewish communities in multiple countries around the world. It is our honor to know you both and to have you as our friends. Wishing you both only the very best!!

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Rivka and Cantor Moshe Kraus

on this well deserved Honor

Until 120

Love Gail and Joel Scher

Mazel tov to Moshe and Rivka Kraus from Dina and Heshel Teitelbaum and our children and grandchildren. Knowing you has enriched our lives.

Tami and Ari Goldberg of Efrat, Israel, together with Eyal, Noa Leah, Aviya, Talia, Maya Or, and Ye'ella.

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Rivka and Avraham Alter Elazar Teitelbaum of Johannesburg, along with Leah Zehava, Sarah Nechama, Asher Simcha and Gavriel Dovid.

## Mazel tov

From a friend

# Mazal Tov to Chazan Moshe and Mrs. Rivka Kraus and to Ohev Yisroel.

Our sincerest thanks for all the contributions
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We are so grateful.

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Steve and Laurie Gordon and Family



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Stanley and Ina Devine

Mazal Tov to Moshe and Rivka on this auspicious occasion. Miriam and I have many very pleasant memories of our interactions with them over the past 44 years, including countless meals at their apartment, their participation at the Brisim and weddings of our children, etc. Best wishes. Until 120!

Michael Bendel



Mazal tov to the hard-working volunteers who made this wonderful event possible.

William and Katherine Moss Sending warm and heartfelt greetings from ארץ הקודש to Chazan Kraus and his אשת Rivka . May this joyous occasion serve to uplift and strengthen your incredible journeys



באהבה רבה Jennie and Pesach Claman



Mazel tov to Moshe Kraus on his 100<sup>th</sup> birthday from Aberra Minywab

Mazal Tov Chazzan Kraus on your lifetime of tzedaka and living like a true Mensch. May G-d Bless you and Mrs. Kraus with Simchos and good health.

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MAZEL TOV to RIVKA KRAUS and CANTOR MOSHE KRAUS and to OHEV YISROEL

on these wonderful milestones!

#### Congratulations to Chazan Moshe and Mrs. Rivka Kraus

From Chail to Chail biz 120

& Congratulations to Ohev

from
Sam and Rhona Lewinshtein

**Yisroel** 

Mazel Tov to Chazzan and Rivka Kraus!

Rabbi Zischa and Lauren Shaps

Mazal Tov Chazan and Rivka Kraus, may HaShem give you long life and blessings, you are a true inspiration. Yasher Koach Marla and Michael for your dedication and devotion.

Yocheved and Chaim Boyarsky

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#### Blessings to Rivka and Chazzan Kraus for his 100th birthday year!

**Urgent concern: Antisemitism Missing from Social Work Curriculum** 

As we celebrate this milestone in the life of Holocaust survivor Cantor Moshe Kraus, the importance of educating the public on the horrors of antisemitism comes into focus. We need your voice to ensure this subject is included in social work curricula.

Rates of antisemitism are skyrocketing around the world. Jews are the targets of hate crimes more frequently than members of other religions. Despite this growing and very serious problem, antisemitism is omitted from the social work curriculum which, otherwise, covers every other form of hate. Please sign and circulate our petition in which we graciously request that the field of social work include antisemitism in the curriculum.

#### Sign the petition by visiting www.caef.ca and clicking on 'Research'

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I am delighted to honour Hazzan Moshe Kraus on his upcoming 100th birthday and his wonderful wife, Rivka.

They have shared a faithful and loving partnership of more than seventy years since they met during the difficult years of 1948-49 in the nascent State of Israel.

The entire Ottawa community has warmly embraced Hazzan Moshe and Rivka during these last fifty years, a testament to their welcoming nature.

A few years ago, I met this inspiring couple when I was invited to screen my documentary film, Yiddish: A Tale of Survival, at a fundraiser organized by Rivka and her colleagues. Since then i have accompanied them to Winnipeg, Antwerp and Israel.

Today, I extend my brachot to both of them for continued long life and happiness.

- Abigail Hirsch

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Mazal tov to Ohev Yisroel on its 20<sup>th</sup> anniversary and to Cantor Moshe and Mrs. Rivka Kraus on the cantor's 100<sup>th</sup> birthday. May you all continue to flourish and inspire us in health and happiness for many years to come.

Michel Boucher

Best wishes to Chazzan and Rivka Kraus for continued health and happiness. Jerrold and Tzippy Landau and family מזל טוב לידידינו הטוב, החזן הגדול ר' משה קראוס ואשתו רבקה. תודה עבור כל הטוב שעשיתם. בברכת נחת, בריאות וכל טוב. עלי ומרים מרצבך. שילה

### Mazal Tov, Cantor Moshe and Rivka Kraus on Being Honoured at Ohev Yisroel's 20th Anniversary Gala

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## Congratulations on this well-deserved recognition.

Wishes for a Happy Birthday to Chazan Moshe Kraus!

Keep up the great work.

From your great-nephew and niece.

Levi & Michelle Muller

The members of Ohev Yisroel thank Chazan Moshe Kraus and Mrs. Rivka Kraus for being part of our shul for so many years and for making our spiritual life full of inspiration and warmth



Mazel tov. May you continue in health and happiness biz 120.

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