

BRIT MILAH

for

יְהוּדָה בֶּן אֲבִרָהָם יְדוּרִי

ASA JULIAN PAPARO

Son of Dorie Lederfajn Paparo and Ari Paparo

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DATE OF BIRTH

25 Adar 5766

Emily J. Blake, Mohel

A chair is set aside in honor of the prophet Elijah.

“This chair is devoted to Elijah the prophet, may his remembrance be for the good.”

All rise and recite:

בָּרַךְ הַבָּא.
Baruch ha-bab

“May he who comes be blessed.”

The child is brought in carried by Gail Ablamsky and handed to Ruth Paparo, the *sandak*.

Mohel Emily recites:

“The rite of circumcision has been enjoined upon us as a sign of our covenant with God, as it is written: And God said to Abraham: ‘You shall keep my covenant, you and your children after you. He who is eight days old shall be circumcised, every male throughout your generations.’ ”

“We recall the prophetic promise that one day the sign of our covenant with God will be imprinted upon our hearts and the hearts of our children, as well as upon our flesh, so that we may rise to the selfless love of God, and therein find life.”

“The holy one, Adonai our God, said to Abraham ‘Walk before me and be thou perfect’. I am ready and willing to perform the precept which the Creator commanded us, conferring circumcision.”

Ari and Dorie say:

“We are ready to fulfill the Mitzvah of circumcising our son, as the blessed Creator commanded us in the Torah: ‘Every male throughout your generation shall be circumcised at the age of eight days.’ ”

The baby is held by Ruth Paparo, the *sandak*, who sits in the chair of Elijah.

Mohel Emily asks:

“Do you authorize me to perform this Brit Milah on your behalf, or do you wish to perform it yourself?”

The parents respond:

“We (do/do not) authorize you to perform this Brit Milah on our behalf.”

The Mohel says:

בָּרוּךְ אַתָּה יי אֱלֹהֵינוּ מֶלֶךְ הָעוֹלָם, אֲשֶׁר קִדְּשָׁנוּ
בְּמִצְוֹתָיו וְצִוָּנוּ עַל הַמִּלָּה.

Baruch ata Adonai elohanoo melech ha-olam asher kid'shanoo b'mitzvotav vitzivanoo al hamila

“Blessed are you, Adonai our God, Ruler of the universe, by whose Mitzvot we are hallowed, who has given us the Mitzvah of circumcision.”

The circumcision is performed.

Dorie and Ari recite:

בָּרוּךְ אַתָּה יי אֱלֹהֵינוּ מֶלֶךְ הָעוֹלָם, אֲשֶׁר קִדְּשָׁנוּ בְּמִצְוֹתָיו
וְצִוָּנוּ לְהַכְנִיֵסוֹ בְּבְרִיתוֹ שֶׁל אַבְרָהָם אֲבִינוּ וְשָׂרָה אִמֵּנוּ.

Baruch ata Adonai elohanoo melech ha-olam, asher kideshanu bemitzvotav vetsivanu le-hach-ni so bivrito shel Avraham avinu v'Sarah emeenu

“Blessed is Adonai our God, Ruler of the universe, by whose Mitzvot we are hallowed, who commands us to bring our children into the covenant of Abraham and Sarah.”

Wine is served.

The Mohel recites:

בְּרוּךְ אַתָּה יְיָ אֱלֹהֵינוּ מֶלֶךְ הָעוֹלָם, בּוֹרֵא פְרֵי הַגֶּפֶן.
Baruch ata Adonai elohainu melech ha-olam boray p'ree hagafen

“Blessed is Adonai our God, Ruler of the universe, Creator of the fruit of the vine.”

“Our God and God of our people, sustain this child, and let him be known in the House of Israel as

יְהוּדָה בֶּן אַבְרָהָם וְדוֹרִי
Yehuda ben Avraham v'Dorie

Judah son of Dorie and Ari

May he bring much joy to his parents in the months and years to come. As he has entered into the Covenant, so may he enter into the study of Torah, the practice of good deeds, and may he one day find his love.”

All drink wine.

The parents explain the significance of the names then read:

“L'dor v'dor, today as we welcome our new son into our family, we remember those who cannot join us in our celebration but without whom we would not be here. This child is a gift that you allowed to happen. Your love and support will guide us as we raise our son.”

All say:

**“May God bless you and keep you;
May God look kindly upon you and be gracious to you;
May God bestow favor upon you and give you peace, Amen.”**

The Mohel explains the meaning of the service and then reads:

“God and Creator, happy parents have come into Your presence to voice the longings of their hearts in prayer. Give them the wisdom to teach their child to be faithful to You and Your teachings. That he may grow up with the knowledge that You are always near to him, guiding and sustaining him. Keep open the eyes of his spirit, that he may ever be conscious of the beauty and wonder of Your world. And let him learn to love the goodness that has been implanted within him. Though none can escape sorrow and pain, we humbly ask for him the courage to face evil, the faith to transcend it, and the strength to subdue it. Grant him health of mind and strength of body, that he may enjoy fullness of years and live to do Your will in faithfulness. Amen.”

All recite:

בָּרוּךְ אַתָּה יי אֱלֹהֵינוּ מֶלֶךְ הָעוֹלָם, שֶׁהַחַיִּינוּ וְקִיְמָנוּ
וְהַגִּיעָנוּ לְזֶמֶן הַזֶּה.

*Baruch ata Adonai elohenu melech ha-olam sheb-he-cheyanu ve-kee-ye-ma-nu ve-hee-gee-a-nu la-
z'man ha-zeh.*

“Blessed is Adonai our God, Ruler of the universe, for giving us life, for sustaining us, and for enabling us to reach this happy day.”

Dorie and Ari say:

“O God, for the gift of this child we give thanks, praying that we will be worthy of the blessing and responsibility of parenthood.”

All bless the challah with:

בָּרוּךְ אַתָּה יי אֱלֹהֵינוּ מֶלֶךְ הָעוֹלָם הַמוֹצִיא לֶחֶם מִן הָאָרֶץ.
Baruch ata Adonai, Elohanu melech ha'olam, hamotzi lechem min ha'aretz.

“Blessed are You, Adonai our God, Ruler of the universe, who brings forth bread from the earth.”

The celebratory meal begins.

Siman tov, u'mazel tov, u'mazel tov, u'siman tov. X 3

Y'hey lanu

Y'hey lanu, y'hey lanu, U'lekol Yisrael.