

# Zayin Shabbat Family Readings

**Sivan Belkind & Family:** **Thank** you Dear **God** for helping us enter this **holy prayer** space. **Adonai, thank** you for being so **compassionate** and **patient** with us.

**Luca Burton & Family:** **Thank** you Dear **God** for helping us join **together** as a **community**.

**Allie Davis & Family:** We are **so** fortunate to be able to pray **together** as a **community**. We are physically **miles** apart. We are **together** in **spirit** and **soul**.

**Sam Goldfeder & Family:** **Thank** you, Dear **God** for **comforting** those who suffer **physically, emotionally** and/or **spiritually**.

**Jack Himmelfarb & Family:** **Praise** Adonai, the **Blessed** One. **Praise** Adonai, the **Blessed** One, **now** and **forever**. **Hear, O Israel. Adonai** is our **God. Adonai** is **One**.

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## **Levi Jagher & Family:**

Loving life  
And its mysterious source  
With all our heart  
And all our spirit,  
All our senses and strength,  
We take upon ourselves  
These promises:  
To care for the earth  
And those who live upon it,  
To pursue justice and peace,

## **Skylar Joseph & Family:**

To love kindness and compassion,  
We will teach this to our children  
Throughout the passage of the day —  
As we dwell in our homes  
And as we go on our  
Journeys,  
From the time we rise  
Until we fall asleep.

## **Jordan Kreiner & Family:**

And may our actions  
Be faithful to our words  
That our children's children  
May live to know:  
Truth and kindness  
Have embraced,  
Peace and justice have kissed  
And are one.

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**Reece Lieber & Family:** **Mi Chamocha** is part of a **poem** in the **Torah**. It is a part of the **song** that the **Israelite people sang** when we **crossed** the Sea of **Reeds**. We are **reminded** that **God** has **helped** us and God **will help** us.

**Isaac Ostroff and Family:** “Who is **like** You, **Adonai**, among the **mighty**? Who is **like** You, dressed in **holiness**, **cherished** in praise, working **miracles**! The children of Israel respond “**This is my God!** **Adonai** will **reign forever** and **ever**.”

## **Nate Szmilowicz and Family:**

My God, open my eyes and my heart that I might always merit to see the good in the world and the good that You have bestowed upon me, even as I experience difficulties and am troubled.

## **Tatum Tam and Family:**

May no physical ailment or spiritual despair cause me to forget the blessings You have granted me in life. May Your love and Your compassion ever be before me.

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## **Aiton Friedman and Family:**

Rabbi Abraham Joshua Heschel writes “We do not step out of the world when we pray; we merely see the world in a different setting. The self is not the hub, but the spoke of the revolving wheel.”

## **Marcus Weller and Family:**

I lift my cup to celebrate my love for you, and say: *shalom* to you, and say: *shalom* to you, *shalom*, seventh day.

## **Jacob Wilson and Family:**

How pleasing to me this moment of twilight, ushering in Shabbat, the world’s new face, beginning tonight. Come, enter this orchard, eat of its fruit, for this is my companion, my friend, my quietude.