



## Journeys to the Promised Land



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## בראשית

IN THE BEGINNING they came. From Borough Park and Flatbush. From Willowbrook and Teaneck - on the wings of reduced fare airlines they journeyed. Is not Highland Park far enough from New York? WHAT **מה** ARE MY PEOPLE **עמי** doing? And so they named the place...

**מה עמי** MA AMI.

## שמות

And these were the NAMES of the great storms. Donna, Andrew, Camille and Gilbert. And the winds blew and the rains fell and the condominiums were rent asunder. And the people there became expert on THE [LAWS OF] BROKEN WALLS **הלבוד**. And so they named the place...

**הלבוד** HALAVUD.

## ויקרה

In distress they CALLED OUT to the air conditioner repairmen, "Was there not misery enough in Williamsburg? Help us or we shall surely return to our daughters in Upper Manhattan." And the repairmen answered, "If you wanted cool, you should have stayed in Passaic. Fear not, in the MORNING **בקר** I will come and relief will BE GIVEN **אתון**." And so they named the place...

**בקר אתון** BOKER ATON

## במדבר

In the WILDERNESS (Century Village) they devoted their lives to the pursuit of things sacred. But their Borsalinos weighed heavily on them and from time to TIME **פעם** they sojourned on the white sands of the nearby seashore (in long sleeves naturally). And so they named the place...

**פעם** PAAM BEACH.

## דברים

And these MATTERS were taught of the Mixed (up) Multitude that followed the birds south for the winter. Riding the wind from the North (or sometimes the Auto Train) IN GREAT NUMBERS **ברב** they came UNTO **עד** the Promised Land. And so they named the place...

**ברב עד** B'ROV AD COUNTY.

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In the merit of those who have gone before us, we pray for the coming of our **משיח** (pension). And then we too may join our fathers next *PURIM* in the Promised Land south of Daytona Beach. An ancient land (plenty of ancients there), a land of warmth, a land of plenty. A golden land flowing with...

## מיץ תפוזים