Yom Kippur Evening Rituals for Your Home

Lighting of Yahrtzeit Light

Eternal God, with feelings of reverence and love I recall the memory of my dear on this sacred eve of Yom Kippur.
I am grateful for the years we shared, for the abiding influence of those years, and for the memories that live on in my heart.
I am grateful too, O God, for the healing which time brings and for the hope which faith and trust inspire.
May the remembrance of my encourage me to live with integrity and with compassion. May my deeds reflect honor on my family; and may they add to the "merits of the ancestors" which have sustained the house of Israel throughout the generations. I now light this Memorial Light in memory of my departed whose English name was and whose Hebrew name was May the memory of my strengthen my resolve to be a source of blessing for all whose lives touch mine. Amen. (The New Mahzor)
As the sacred night of Yom Kippur begins,may the sight of these candles kindle within us a spirit of devotion and repentance. May we forgive one another as we seek divine forgiveness, drawing closer to one another in love, and drawing closer to God's Torah of righteousness and truth.

Lighting of Candles

בָּרוּדְ אַתָּה יִיָ אֱלֹהֵינוּ מֶלֶדְ הָעוֹלָם, אֲשֶׁר קִדְּשׁנוּ בְּמִצְוֹתִיו, וְצִוְּנוּ לְהַדְּלִיק נֵר שֵׁל [שַׁבָּת וְשֵׁל] יוֹם הַכִּפּוּרִים.

Baruch Atah Adonai Eloheinu Melekh ha-olam, asher kidshanu b'mitzvotav, v'tzivanu l'hadlik neir (shel Shabbat v'shel) Yom ha-Kippurim.

Blessed are You Adonai our God, Ruler of the universe, who sanctifies us with mitzvot and commands us to light the lights (of Shabbat and of) Yom Kippur.

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בּרוּךְ אַתָּה יִיָ אֱלֹהֵינוּ מֶּלֶדְ הָעוֹלָם, שֶׁהֶחֶיְנוּ וְהִגִּיעֲנוּ לַזְּמַן הַאֶּה Baruch Atah Adonai Eloheinu Melekh ha-olam, shehechiyanu v'kiymanu v'higi-anu lazman hazeh.

Blessed are You Adonai our God, Ruler of the universe, who has given us life and sustained us and brought us to this season.

Prayers of Forgiveness

I am sorry if I have hurt you by what I have done or have failed to do, by what I have said or have not said to you since last Yom Kippur.

I will strive to improve my ways, and I ask for your understanding and forgiveness. *Amen.* (The New Mahzor)

Motzi

ַבָּרוּדְ אַתָּה יָיָ, אֱלֹהֵינוּ מֶלֶדְ הָעוֹלְם, הַמְּוֹצִיא לֶחֱם מִן הָאָרֵץ.

Baruch Ata Adonai, Eloheinu Melekh ha-olam, ha-motzi lechem min ha-aretz. Blessed are You Adonai our God, Ruler of the universe, who brings forth bread from the land.

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