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GRADUATION

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האחרים שיש לנו
היום

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Graduation

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many problems and the empathy and sympathetic
understanding to always be moved by the
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Implant in their hearts the love of kindness,
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all the works of their hands.

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Blessed art thou O' God who has ~~for~~ favored man
with knowledge.

Graduates

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Blessed art thou O'Lord who loves his creatures.

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June 1, 1967

O Lord who has endowed all Mankind with vision, hope and courage, grant that those ^{who} today have completed their studies and are about to go out into the world will never falter or lose hope in trying to make this world a better place ^{in which} to live in. Protect them from the pitfalls of selfishness and opportunism ~~on the one hand,~~ and impatience and arrogance ~~on the other hand.~~ Grant ^{that their love will be filled with} their love ~~of~~ their fellow man and ^{God} and that ^{their} will never be dimmed because of the inevitable disappointments which we all meet in life ^{or} ~~holds.~~ Grant that their zeal will always be refreshed from ^{the true knowledge that no matter how great the disappointments, we can always rise above it and create from the ashes of the past, a Paradise in the future.} ~~the true knowledge that no matter how great the disappointments, we can always rise above it and create from the ashes of the past, a Paradise in the future.~~ Let none of them lose heart and let us all, through Thy help, go forward together to make our country and this world a better place ^{for} ~~which~~ all mankind to dwell.

Amen

Grant them all the opportunity to serve thee by caring for the needs of the poor and the rights of the mistreated.

Graduation



B'nai B'rith

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O Lord Creator of the Universe who has endowed man with the desire to learn and create grant that we will ~~never~~ be ever mindful of the fact that all our learning and ^{our} power of creation is a gift from thee O Great O Lord that we will never use ~~this~~ ^{our} ~~power~~ ^{learning & power of creator} gift irresponsibly.

Bless O Lord merciful young men and women who are graduating from this great ^{UNIVERSITY} ~~institutions~~ of learning today. Grant them the insight to always realize that learning must ~~always~~ ^{they are to} be wedded to compassion if ~~we are to~~ ^{build meaningful lives} build a better world. Protect them from the pitfalls of arrogance, selfishness and opportunism. Grant them ^{will never lose} ~~that~~ ^{and} courage ~~to~~ ~~overcome~~ ~~all~~ ~~life's~~ ~~obstacles~~. ~~Grant them~~ ~~to~~ ~~be~~ ~~concerned~~ ~~about~~ ~~the~~ ~~well~~ ~~and~~ ~~rights~~ ~~of~~

Graduates

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O'our Father, Master of the Universe, Bless us all with peace and implant in our hearts the love of kindness, righteousness and mercy. Grant that in these troubled times the light of thy peace will shine forth, that no new wars will break out and that those which are now so violently raging will soon be settled. Grant that as we come together today to honor these graduates from this great institution of learning ~~today~~^{we} will always be mindful of the fact that it is only through education coupled with the love of mercy and kindness that true peace can spread through^{out} the world. Grant that the light of thy understanding will soon take hold in hearts of all mankind and that we will all come to realize that we are brothers and, therefore, must settle our differences peacefully.

Blessed art Thou O Lord creator of Peace.

Amen.

Evangelical

O LORD, FATHER OF US ALL, WHO HAS CREATED EVERY MAN IN HIS IMAGE AND AUTHORED THE CONCEPT OF PEACE, GRANT THAT THE DAY WILL SOON COME WHEN EVERY MAN ON EARTH WILL RECOGNIZE IN HIS INNERMOST HEART THE FACT THAT EVERY OTHER MAN IS HIS BROTHER AND THAT WE ALL HAVE THE OBLIGATION TO DEAL WITH EACH OTHER IN TRUTH AND RIGHTEOUSNESS AND THE OBLIGATION TO SETTLE ALL OUR DIFFERENCES PEACEFULLY. GRANT THAT THE DAY WILL SOON COME WHEN NO NATION WILL ANYMORE TRY TO DENY ANOTHER NATION ITS VALID RIGHTS AND SO FORCE WAR. GRANT, O LORD, THAT THE LIGHT OF THY PEACE WILL FILL THE HEARTS OF ALL MANKIND AND THAT NO NEW WARS WILL BREAK OUT AND THAT THOSE WHICH ARE SO VIOLENTLY RAGING WILL SOON BE SETTLED. GRANT, O LORD, THAT THOSE WHO ARE GRADUATING TODAY WILL LIVE TO SEE THE DAY WHEN NATION SHALL NO MORE LIFT UP SWORD TO NATION AND WAR SHALL BE KNOWN NO MORE. BLESS ALL THEIR WORKS. MAY ALL THEIR EFFORTS ALWAYS BE DIRECTED TOWARD SECURING PEACE.

O LORD, MASTER OF THE UNIVERSE, HEALER OF THE SICK, THE HOPE OF ALL WHO ARE DEPRESSED AND DOWNHEARTED, WHO SUSTAINS ALL LIFE WITH LOVING KINDNESS, AS WE GATHER HERE TODAY TO HONOR THESE FINE YOUNG LADIES WHO HAVE CHOSEN THIS DAY TO BECOME YOUR PARTNERS IN HEALING BY ACCEPTING THE CROWN, THE CAP OF DEDICATED NURSING SERVICE, GRANT THAT EACH OF THEM WILL ALWAYS REALIZE THAT IN ORDER TO BE A SUCCESSFUL NURSE IT IS NOT ENOUGH TO BE JUST TECHNICALLY PROFICIENT, BUT THAT ALSO LOVING KINDNESS, EMPATHY, AND COMPASSION MUST ALWAYS BE PRESENT. GRANT THAT NONE OF THEM WILL EVER BECOME HARDHEARTED, HARDENED TO THE SIGHT OF HUMAN SUFFERING. GRANT THAT EACH OF THEM WILL ALWAYS REALIZE THAT A CHEERFUL SMILE IS SOMETIMES AS IMPORTANT AS A THERMOMETER. GRANT THAT THEY WILL ALWAYS LOOK AT THEIR PATIENTS AS HUMAN BEINGS AND NOT AS THINGS THAT MUST BE TENDED TO BEFORE THEY CAN GO HOME. GRANT, O LORD, THAT EACH OF THEM WILL REALIZE THAT IN THIS WORK THEY ARE NOT ONLY WORKING FOR THEMSELVES BUT ALSO FOR THEE. AND MAY THEY IN THIS GREAT SERVICE BE DRAWN CLOSER TO EACH OTHER AND TO THEE. AMEN.

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two needs ^{are} ~~are~~ not mutually exclusive

that in order to express ^{ourselves} ~~our~~ individuality, to ~~express~~ ^{develop} ourselves

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O' Lord, Master of the Universe, Ruler of the destinies of all men, Protector of the helpless and powerless, Author of love and self-development who has created each of us with the need to excell and express our own unique individuality and with the parallel need to belong and to be appreciated Grant that as we gather here today to wish these fine young graduates well as they are about to enter the world, that we and they together will never lose sight of the fact that these two needs need not and in truth can not be mutually exclusive, that everyone in order to express his or her individuality to develop his or herself fully, must be part of something greater than him or herself and that all of us must have the affection, comfort and appreciation of those we admire and love. Grant O'Lord that we will ^{each of us} all realize that accomplishments and achievements are hollow if we do not have someone to bring them to, And that we unless we are ^{will be unseen and always remain in the dark} reflected by a light ~~of~~ ^{benefits and} beyond ourselves ~~will always remain in the dark~~. Bless O'Lord these graduates with wisdom and understanding. Open their hearts not only to knowlege and ambition but also to care and concern and ^{to} the feelings of ^{those they meet} others. Grant O'Lord that each of them will find fulfillment not only in their work but also in their relations with others.

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Blessed art thou O'Lord who loves his creatures.