

# Aliyah Brachot: Blessings for being Called Up to the Torah

## Before the Torah Reading:

1. Take the edge of your Tallit (or the Torah belt) and touch the letters of the Torah as directed by the Torah Reader.
2. Kiss that part of your tallit, then let go.
3. Roll the Torah closed, hold both handles, and say:

בְּרַחוּ אֶת יי הַמְּבוֹרָךְ

Bar'chu et Adonai ham'vorach.

4. Pause briefly for the congregation, and then continue with the following few lines:

בְּרוּךְ יי הַמְּבוֹרָךְ לְעוֹלָם וָעֶד

Baruch Adonai ham'vorach l'olam va'ed.

בְּרוּךְ אַתָּה יי, אֱלֹהֵינוּ מֶלֶךְ הָעוֹלָם, אֲשֶׁר בָּחַר בָּנוּ מִכָּל  
הָעַמִּים, וְנָתַן לָנוּ אֶת תּוֹרָתוֹ, בְּרוּךְ אַתָּה יי נוֹתֵן הַתּוֹרָה

Baruch Atah Adonai, Elo'heinu Melech ha'olam, asher ba'char ba'nu  
mi'kol ha'amim, v'natan lanu et Tora'toh. Baruch Atah Adonai, noh'ten  
ha'Torah.

5. Open the Torah, hold the right handle, and look inside as the Torah Reader begins reading.

## After the Torah Reading:

1. Once again, take the edge of your Tallit (or the Torah belt) and touch the letters of the Torah as directed by the Torah Reader.
2. Kiss that part of your tallit, then let go.
3. Roll the Torah closed, hold both handles, and say:

בְּרוּךְ אַתָּה יי, אֱלֹהֵינוּ מֶלֶךְ הָעוֹלָם, אֲשֶׁר נָתַן לָנוּ תּוֹרַת  
אֱמֶת, וְחַיֵּי עוֹלָם נִטְעַ בְּתוֹכֵנוּ, בְּרוּךְ אַתָּה יי נוֹתֵן הַתּוֹרָה

Baruch Atah Adonai, Elo'heinu Melech ha'olam, asher nah'tan lanu  
Torat emet, ve'cha'yei olam nata b'toh'cheinu.

Baruch Atah Adonai, noh'ten ha'Torah.

**Note:** Please **remain standing on the Bima** until the next person called up has completed their blessings. Before stepping down, you will **receive a special blessing**, during which you may choose to mention family members. You will then have the **opportunity to pledge a donation** to the Shule, often in increments of \$18.