World Mizrachi runs several leadership programs to prepare rabbis, educators and shlichim to serve in communities around the world. Here we profile some of the families who are starting their shlichut, and some who have recently returned.

**Rav Ilan & Chana Brownstein**
White Plains, NY

“We are so excited to be heading with our daughter, Emunah Shirah, for shlichut as Directors of Youth Programming at the Young Israel of White Plains, in White Plains, NY. Although youth activities look a little different now with Corona, we’re excited to make the best of our situation and create fun and engaging experiences for our shul. Additionally, Chana will be working as the Program Coordinator at the Jewish Renaissance Experience, an organization dedicated to enhancing and building Jewish connection and education.

“In all of our different roles, we’re excited to help connect those around us to the sweetness of the Torah and the light of Hashem.”

**Rav Chaim & Shira Metzger**
Toronto, Canada

Chaim and Shira have just arrived for shlichut in Toronto, Canada. Chaim will be a member of the Beit Midrash Zichron Dov (affiliated with YU and Torah MiTzion) and he will also serve as Rabbinic Assistant at the BAYT (Beth Avraham Yoseph of Toronto) in Thornhill. Shira will be running informal education activities at Ulpanat Orot of Bnei Akiva Schools and coordinating the women’s Beit Midrash for OU-JLIC. Their daughter Talya’s main goal will be to charm everyone with her cuteness.

“We landed in Nashville, Tennessee, just a few weeks ago. During our shlichut with Torah MiTzion, we will teach at the local school which serves all streams and promotes academic excellence as well as a love for Israel. We also plan to hold chavrusas with adults in the community and to run small learning groups and classes in the various synagogues.

“We are especially excited and looking forward to getting to know this Jewish community in which the various streams work together – Orthodox, Conservative and Reform. We come with a passion for teaching and with the humility to learn from this unique community, and with the help of G-d we shall succeed.”

**Rav Nechemya & Batya Rosenfeld**
Nashville, Tennessee

“The Mizrachi Lam School of Leadership

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Rav Yonaton & Avital Hirschhorn
Maryland, Baltimore

“We were educators with Mizrachi/OU-JLIC at the University of Maryland. The opportunity to affect Jews during their transformative years as young adults – after high school and after their Gap Year – was incredible. This is when they are shaping their views on life: What does marriage look like? How do you raise children? What does it mean to get a job? Am I a liberal or a conservative? Being there for them during these turbulent years was a huge zechut.

“We never told anybody what to be or how to behave. We gently tried to push them out of their comfort zone and make them think about their choices. It might be easy to convince some students to stay religious (and push off intermarriage for one more generation), but their children will grow in a strongly Jewish environment only if their parents themselves actually become passionate Jews.

“It was all about building relationships and being their friends. So as you can imagine, leaving the campus was not easy for us, as we had 400 children we felt so close to and so connected to.”

Rav Moshe & Moria Gold
Borehamwood, England

“We have just returned from two years of shlichut, where we wore so many ‘hats’. Over the course of a weekend, we would first meet with students at Finchley Synagogue where Moshe helped run the Night Seder. The next day we would meet with high school teens, teaching them Prophets and Jewish Philosophy. On Shabbat itself, as Assistant Rabbi at Borehamwood Shul, Moshe would give a high-level shiur before the Torah reading. Then as Borehamwood Youth rabbinic couple, we would host 30 teenagers in our house for Seudah Shlishit. We were not done yet! Moshe would lead the most amazing discussions for adults in a shiur on “Tzurba M’Rabanan” (practical Halacha). On Sundays, we ended the weekend playing foosball, football or tennis with the community kids, pizza in one hand and a tennis racket in the other! Over the course of the entire weekend, Moria also gave classes to the women of the community making our experience truly holistic in nature.

“These roles helped us make an impact on a far wider circle. We got to experience and influence the community in all its beauty; the young children, the students, and their parents.”

Rav Dr. Shlomo and Rabbanit Amira Glicksberg
Johannesburg, South Africa

Rav Glicksberg served as a Dayan on the Johannesburg Beth Din, the Senior Rabbi of the Mizrachi Yeshiva College Shul and as the Rosh Kollel of the Beit Mordechai Campus Kollel.

Rabbanit Amira founded and built the Midrasha, a high-level women’s learning program, catering primarily to those who have returned from learning in seminaries in Israel with also high level women’s shiurim for the broader community.

The Glicksbergs, through these multiple roles, touched the lives of many hundreds of families during the course of their multifaceted shlichut in building the community, Beit Midrash learning and the Beth Din.

The Glicksbergs recently returned after six years in South Africa, and Rabbi Glicksberg has been recently appointed as the Rosh Be’it Midrash of the prestigious Machon Ariel/Harry Fischel Institute which trains some of the leading dayanim – rabbinic judges and rabbis – fulfilling such roles in Israel and around the world.