

# Shavuos 2014 Retreat in Charleston

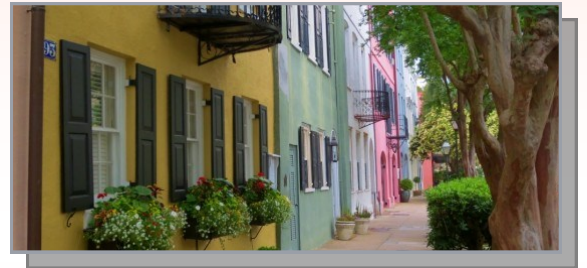
## Scholar in Residence

## Rabbi Dr. Dovid Katz



### Lectures:

- ◆ In Passionate Love with The Law: The Mystical Practice of All-Night Learning on the Festival of Shavuos
- ◆ What Exactly Happened? Maimonides and the Controversy Concerning *Ma'amad Har Sinai*
- ◆ Shavuos, King David, and Theories of the Messiah
- ◆ Both Northern and Southern: Baltimore Jews and the Crisis of the Civil War 1861-65



See the sights of historic downtown Charleston on the walking tour, explore the cobblestone streets and the waterfront parks, and learn Torah with Scholar in Residence Rabbi Dovid Katz of Baltimore as well as a variety of local rabbis and educators. Throughout the first night of Shavuot we will have a traditional all night learning program with lectures, chavrusas, and of course plenty of coffee and desserts. Over the course of the whole Yom Tov there will be stimulating lectures as well from our scholars.



Our main scholar in residence this year is **Rabbi Dr. Dovid Katz**. Rabbi Katz is a native Baltimorean who earned his semicha at Ner Israel Rabbinical College and advanced degrees from Johns Hopkins and the University of Maryland. He is a noted lecturer on Jewish history, which he teaches at both Hopkins and Maryland.

Rabbi Dr. Katz is the Rabbi of Congregation Beth Abraham of Baltimore, Maryland, and a Visiting Professor of History at The Johns Hopkins University (Dept. of Near-Eastern Studies). A former Contributing Editor to the Art Scroll Schottenstein Edition of the Babylonian Talmud and a popular speaker, Rabbi Katz lectures widely on Jewish History and Rabbinic Literature. His annual winter and summer Jewish History lecture series in Baltimore draw hundreds of people from the Baltimore Jewish Community.