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Michael Berg is author and co-director of →Kabbalah Centre International, which was founded by his parents →Philip Berg (1929-2013) and →Karen Berg (\*1942) in the late 1960s. He was born in 1973 in Jerusalem (cf. Altglas 2014, 58). His parents moved from New York to Israel to organize a Kabbalah study group in Tel Aviv shortly before he was born. He grew up in a Jewish environment and received a kabbalistic education by his father and an Orthodox rabbinic ordination from a rabbinic seminary in Israel. As an active contributor of the Kabbalah Centre since the 1990s, he has developed Philip Berg's Kabbalah teachings further in the direction of self-improvement and healing. He is the editor of a 23 volume set of the English *Zohar* (2003), the most important source of the Kabbalah Centre teachings, and the author of other books such as *Becoming Like God* (2004), *The Secret* (2002), and *The Way* (2001). In 2007 he established a volunteer program for Kabbalah Centre students called the "Zohar Project". After Philip Berg suffered a stroke in 2004, Michael Berg became co-director and the "primary voice" (Myers 2008, 58) of the Kabbalah Centre together with his mother Karen and his brother →Yehuda Berg.

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