

Yehuda Berg (*1972)

Yehuda Berg is a "life coach" and best selling author of more than 30 books about popular Kabbalah, self-improvement, and healing (Yehuda Berg 2017). He was born in 1972 in Jerusalem. His parents →Philip Berg (1929-2013) and →Karen Berg (b. 1942) moved from New York to Israel in 1971 to organize a Kabbalah study group in Tel Aviv. 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 his own Kabbalah interpretation focusing on self-improvement and healing, and has coached many Kabbalah Centre students, including some celebrities. After Philip Berg suffered a stroke in 2004, Yehuda Berg became co-director of the Kabbalah Centre together with his mother Karen and his brother →Michael Berg. However, he has since left the Kabbalah Centre over a sexual harassment lawsuit filed against him in 2014. His wife Michal is president of "Spirituality for Kids", an education program for kids of the Kabbalah Centre. Yehuda and Michal Berg currently live in Los Angeles with their five children.

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