Happy Hanukkah
Lighting the Hanukkah menorah

Light the Shamash, the helper candle, first. Then say two blessings – one for lighting the candles, and one for miracles.

Baruch ata Adonai, Eloheinu melech ha’olam, asher kideshanu bemitzvotav vetzivanu lehadlik ner shel Hanukkah

Dear God, Creator of our world, thank You for giving us rules that make our lives special and for teaching us to light these Hanukkah candles.

Baruch ata Adonai, Eloheinu melech ha’olam, sheh’asa nisim lavoteinu bayamim haheim bazman hazeh

Dear God, Creator of our world, thank you for performing miracles for our ancestors, long ago and now.

Use the Shamash to light the other candles, starting with the newest candle, on the left.

Baruch ata Adonai, Eloheinu melech ha’olam, shehecheyanu vekiyemanu vehigi’anu lazman hazeh.

Dear God, Creator of our world, thank you for keeping us alive so we can celebrate this important moment.

If it’s the first night of Hanukkah, add a third blessing for celebrating.

Baruch ata Adonai, Eloheinu melech ha’olam, shehecheyanu vekiyemanei vehigi’anu lazman hazeh.

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