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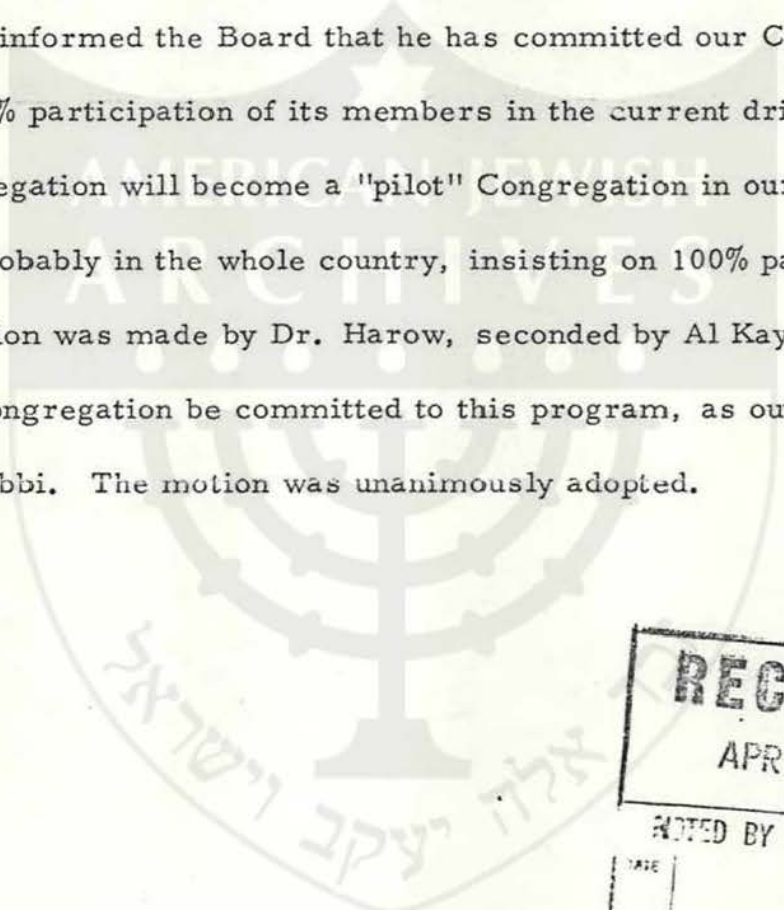
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BETH JACOB CONGREGATION-BEVERLY HILLS

Excerpt from minutes of Board of Directors - February 20, 1969

U. J. W. F. --

Joe Simon made a strong appeal for U. J. W. F. which is conducting its campaign in March, April and May. The Rabbi informed the Board that he has committed our Congregation to 100% participation of its members in the current drive. Our Congregation will become a "pilot" Congregation in our community, and probably in the whole country, insisting on 100% participation. A motion was made by Dr. Harow, seconded by Al Kayman, that our Congregation be committed to this program, as outlined by the Rabbi. The motion was unanimously adopted.



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RABBI SCHREIBER LECTURING TO UCLA YAVNEH-HILLEL STUDENTS

Yavneh and Hillel Foundation of UCLA are sponsoring a debate series entitled "Tradition and Innovation." This series presents the Orthodox and Reform philosophy of Judaism. Rabbi David Schreiber and Rabbi Richard Levy, director of Hillel, will discuss their movement's ideology and attitude on this subject. These gatherings are well attended and provide a free exchange of ideas between the students and Rabbis. Topics of concern and fundamentals of Judaism are presented. All students are invited to attend these stimulating debates at 4:15 p.m. every Wednesday at the University Religious Conference Building, 900 Hilgard Avenue. For further information contact the Yavneh-Hillel office, GR 4-1531.

HILLEL HIGHLIGHTS

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HOLIDAY ASSEMBLIES

In keeping with Hillel's tradition of observing American and Jewish holidays, Miss Joanne Bodin's third grade class presented a beautiful and original playlet on February 11 in honor of Lincoln's birthday. Mrs. Betty Dickerman's third grade class was featured in a dramatic presentation on Friday, February 21, in honor of Washington's birthday.

FROM THE RABBI'S STUDY

Dear Friends: I had the privilege of reporting on our recent trip to Israel, and referring to it on various occasions. There remains, however, one more matter that I must report. I have committed you, dear members of the Beth Jacob Congregation to which I minister.



The situation in the Near East is tense. It seems that war is inevitable—if not this year, then next. May G-d spare mankind this dreadful prognosis. In any event, and we pray war will be averted, Israel is on a war-footing. Underlying all vibrant activity, is the awareness, sometimes subconscious, that war is imminent, that terrorists are active and that enemies of Arab extraction are citizens of the State. This means constant vigilance, expenditure of astronomical sums for defense and yielding human victims on the altar of warlike activity of surrounding neighbors.

Israel is committed with life and fortune to defend itself, our people—yes, and our own dignity and security. Who can assess correctly the extent of Israel's sacrifice?

I have committed Beth Jacob to be the pilot Congregation in our community, and perhaps in the nation, for the 1969 U.J.A. drive. We shall campaign to have every member of Beth Jacob be a contributor to the United Jewish Welfare Fund Drive. Anyone deserving of being a member of our Congregation must share in Israel's struggle.

I have said, in the past, that he who does not contribute wholeheartedly to the defense of Israel, is not worthy of prayer before the Almighty and of affiliation in Beth Jacob. Now I should place this contention in positive form by declaring that all worthy of membership in the Beth Jacob family, must be on the rolls of the Welfare Fund drive and share in Israel's life-death struggle.

I committed you and me to the leadership of our efforts in Israel, in New York and in Los Angeles. I cry out with Moses and the Maccabean Matathias, "Whoever is unto G-d, join me," in defense of Israel and World Jewry by responding to the Welfare Fund drive and the Emergency fund. I committed our membership 100%. Please help me meet that commitment. Let us derive inspiration from the heroism of Purim's Mordecai and Esther and meet the great challenges before us. G-d bless you.

—Simon A. Dolgin

N.C.S.Y.—YOUTH GROUPS

The Installation Dinner, held on February 16, with over sixty young people attending, was a great success.

On Sunday, March 23, all youth group members are invited to join the Men's Club in a sports outing to a Los Angeles-New York basketball game. Tickets are available through N.C.S.Y.

All youth are welcome to Beth Jacob's Purim *Megillah* reading and the Carnival following.

We are currently making plans for a "Shabbaton" weekend conclave, on March 14, 15, 16. The program calls for the youth to conduct the Shabbat services. It also includes dinner on Friday night and lunch on Shabbat, followed by a variety of seminars. Saturday night will feature a gala Monte Carlo evening followed by a sports day in the park on Sunday. Further details are forthcoming.

We urge all to continue their support of N.C.S.Y. Those few who have not yet paid membership dues, are urged to do so immediately.

TALMUD TORAH NEWS

Uri Hirsch, Principal

Tu-B'Shvat was celebrated by a delightful Assembly featuring the students of the third grade under the direction of Mrs. Celia Rabinowitz. Fruit, toys and a film were also features of the program.

All classes of our elementary school began regular weekly music lessons under the direction of Cantor Binyamin Glickman. This innovation was warmly accepted and the students are already humming new Purim songs.

A second PTA meeting of the Yeshiva Junior High School was held recently in the school library. The guest speaker was Rabbi Simon Dolgin who discussed several pertinent issues with the parents.

An additional course will be introduced to our Senior High School group. The new course will be Jewish Ethics and Philosophy under the direction of Moshe Stern. Mr. Stern's course for the Junior High, in progress since September, has been highly successful.

If you are interested in a PUBLIC SEDER

Please return this form or call the Shul office by March 5.

I am interested in a Seder on
 First Night of Passover
 Second night; Both nights.

Name

Address

City..... Phone

MEMORANDUM

Date February 11, 1970

To ✓ Rabbi Herbert A. Friedman

From Rabbi Earl A. Jordan

Subject A Proposal

I have been, and am currently, making visits to as many Boards of Rabbis as I can induce to invite me. The major message that I bring, in addition to a twinge of guilt about their own giving, is the "Dolgin Plan", 100% participation by members of congregations.

In the course of my talking with so many rabbis, two things have become increasingly clear.

1. There is a great disaffection with the rabbinate, especially among the younger men. They feel useless and unimportant. They are over-trained in some areas (Talmud, Jewish law, Bible, etc.) because they have little or no opportunity to use their training. It is also difficult for them to see its relevance to the nitty-gritty of the modern world. In short, they are ripe to be recruited for a meaningful cause if it can be made to satisfy both their idealism and their egos.
2. There is a great vacuum in their knowledge of the Middle East, Israel's politics, sociology, economic situation; Arab sociology, geography, history, politics are all mysteries to them (or to most of them). Even some of my superficial analyses, gleaned mostly from N.Y. Times reports and my own intelligence (not an insignificant factor) impress them unduly.

The proposal:

That we arrange an Institute on the Near East, the first to be held in either the Chicago, New York or Los Angeles area, to be held for two or three days at an out-of-the-way hotel, to which we would invite rabbis, carefully selected, not more than 60, and at which we would have the best academic resources available as lecturers. Subjects to be covered would be in some of the areas in #2 above.

I want the total number of participants to be no more than 40.

I want the "Institute" to be a high prestige program, open only to those who are invited.

I want at least three this year, each in one of the major cities that I mentioned above. We might ask each member of the R.A.C. to suggest names to be invited. The members of the R.A.C. should themselves, of course, be included.

To: Rabbi Herbert A. Friedman

February 11, 1970

I think that we (UJA) should pay the bill for the lecturers and any texts or materials that are necessary. Perhaps the Israeli diplomatic corps could be helpful with some areas.

I think that we should not pay for the transportation of our rabbis to the "Institutes".

The question of room and board is one that I leave open. I am inclined to think that we should provide hotel room but not meals.

My purpose is twofold:

- a. I want to give these men a cause and fire them with the notion that their talents, resources, and calling make them uniquely suited to a task of ultimate importance. This cause should become the major theme in their careers and in their lives.
- b. I want to equip them to fulfill their roles adequately. Passionate appeals from the pulpit, no matter how well intentioned and dramatically presented, fail to impress the sophisticated and knowledgeable among our people unless they are built on a base of sound, coherent information.

EAJ:er

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February 18, 1970

Rabbi Earl A. Jordan,
United Jewish Appeal,
1290 Avenue of the Americas,
New York, N.Y. 10019

Dear Earl,

I am happy that our several telephone conversations have apparently resulted in a resolution of the problems which had arisen in connection with UJA participation in the program of the CCAR Jerusalem Convention. Once again, let me urge you to let me know if any further difficulties arise. My limitations decrease bit by bit each day. I would not have any hesitancy at all in calling Roland Gittelsohn again or Leon Kronish if further negotiation or soothing conversation were needed.

I note that you have incorporated a subject of one of our recent telephone conversations in a memorandum to Herbert Friedman.

I heartily approve in principle of the proposal to arrange a test Institute for rabbis on the problems of the Middle East.

I would suggest that this first Institute not be held in New York. A middle west location would probably be best. Chicago would do very well. So would St. Louis.

It may not be easy to find a hotel or a resort appropriate to our purpose which is equipped to serve kosher food. The search for such a place may require all of the skills of the Israeli Intelligence Corps.

I assume that a typographical error is responsible for the use of the figures 40 and 60 as the maximum number of participants. In any case, I would suggest that 40 be the top figure.

Financing of the Institute may prove to be a bit sticky. I am inclined to feel that, at least for the first Institute, it would be wise for the UJA to provide both hotel accommodations and meals. Asking the men to pay the bill for their transportation to and from the Institute would be a test of their interest. That interest should be built up first of all by providing an obviously rich program. Secondly, by an appropriate approach to the men whose names are to be on the invitation list.

It would be interesting to know precisely how the proposed Institute or Institutes will differ in content from the Regional UJA Conventions. Unless there is some significant difference in their content, it might be better to undertake a serious effort to get more rabbis to attend the Regional Conventions. There is some considerable value, I think, in a situation in which rabbis are highly visible within a larger group that consists mostly of laymen. That rabbis should be involved in the UJA endeavor at every level, including the regional and intellectual levels, is beyond doubt. Whether they should be kept isolated or involved with the laity is a question which probably needs further thought. I invite your suggestions about the matter.

All good wishes to you. I wish that I could make myself more directly available to you and to the UJA. One day, with patience and with the continued progress my physicians promise, I shall be around kicking up a bit of dust.

Joy to you and yours.

Faithfully,

RABBI DUDLEY WEINBERG

DM/cs

TO: Rabbi Leon Jordan

DATE: February 19, 1970

FROM: Aryeh Neshet *A. Neshet*

SUBJECT: PROPOSAL FOR RABBINICAL SEMINAR

- I. Duration of Seminar: Two and one-half days (Sixteen hours of Lecture and Discussion)
- II. Method: 30 minute presentations; followed by 30 minutes of questions and answers
- III. Topics and Lecturers:
 1. "Soc-io-Dynamics of Israeli Integration Processes"
Possible Lecturers: Professor Shmuel Eisenstadt, Hebrew University; or Dr. Aryeh Neshet
 2. "The Israeli Army: Only Military Structure Involved in European-Oriental Blending Process"
Possible Lecturer: Mr. Mordechai Bar Ond, Former Chief Education Officer
 3. "Collective and Co-operative ventures and Their Soc-io-Economic Essence"
Possible Lecturers: Mrs. Senta Yosefthal; or, Ichud Hakibutsim, Secretary General
 4. "Acculturation of Western and Eastern Societies: Regional Experiments In Lachish and Bsor"
Possible Lecturers: Aryeh Aliav, Secretary General, Labor Party
 - ✓ 5. "The Mechanics of Power Struggle in Israel's Democracy"
Possible Lecturers: Minister Shimon Peres
 6. "Israeli Arabs: Twenty Years of Togetherness Is Co-existence Possible?"
Possible Lecturers: Minister Shlomo Hilel; or, Mr. Toledano, Consultant on Arabic Affairs
 7. "Non-Arabic Minorities: Analysis of Minority Integration"
Possible Lecturers: Mr. Toledano
 8. "The Arabs of Newly Held Territories: Failure of Success In Togetherness?"
Possible Lecturers: Minister Shimon Peres
 9. "Communal vs. Private, Economic Efforts in Israel: A Comparative Study"
Possible Lecturers: Minister Alexandroni

TO: Rabbi Leon Jordan

DATE: February 19, 1970

FROM: Aryeh Neshet

SUBJECT: PROPOSAL FOR RABBINICAL SEMINAR

Topics and Lecturers Con't.:

10. "Political Trends in the Middle East and Their Implication on the Peace-Making Process" (Palestinian vs. Jordanian Statehood; Socialistic vs. Monarchistic Structures; Bahoth vs. Moslem Approaches, etc.)

Possible Lecturers: Yehoshaphat Harkavy, Former Intelligence Chief

11. "Why Do The Arts Flourish In Israel Under Fire?"

Possible Lecturers: Dr. Gamzu; or Zechariah Rappaport

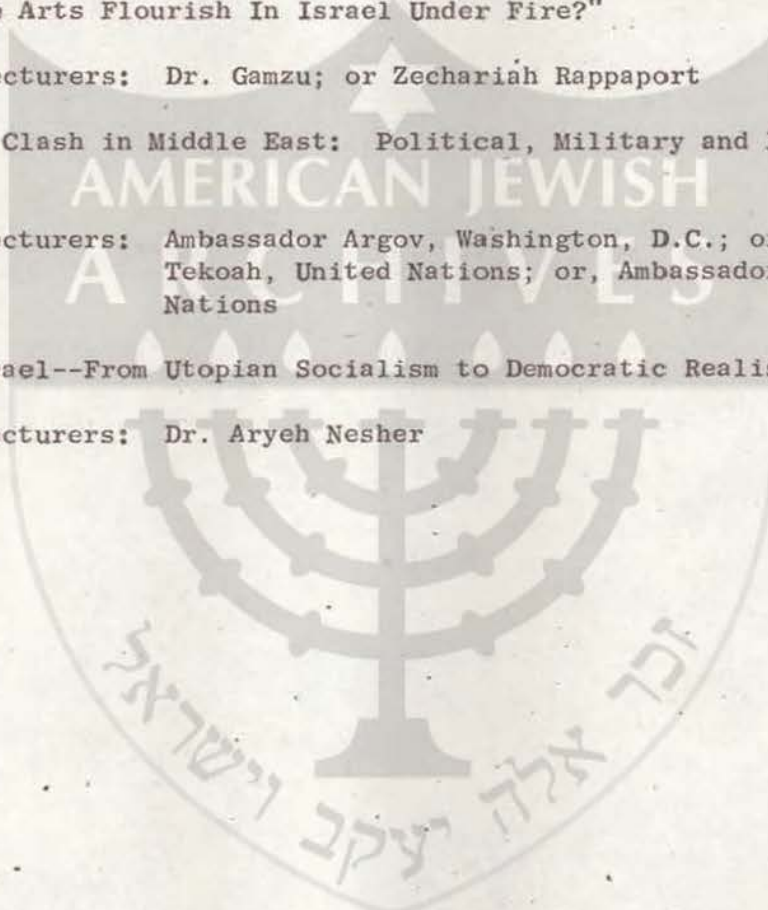
12. "Big Power Clash in Middle East: Political, Military and Economic Interests"

Possible Lecturers: Ambassador Argov, Washington, D.C.; or, Ambassador Tekoah, United Nations; or, Ambassador Leshem, United Nations

13. "Modern Israel--From Utopian Socialism to Democratic Realism"

Possible Lecturers: Dr. Aryeh Neshet

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NEAR EAST SEMINAR
PROPOSAL BY RABBI HERBERT A. FRIEDMAN

- I. Immigrant Absorption Process - HAF
- a. Mechanics and sociology and future - 2 hours - presentation and questions
- II. The Israeli Army - Gen. Eli Zeira, Military Attache in Washington
- a. As an instrument of education, immigrant absorption and citizen-making - 2 hours - presentation and questions
- b. As instrument of defense
- III. The Arab Question - Shlomo Argov, Minister
- a. Citizens of Israel since 1948 - 1/4 million
- b. Refugees outside of Israel - 3/4 million
- c. New million in held territories - occupation policies - 2 hours
- d. Jerusalem
- IV. Economics & Finances - Alexandroni, Economic Minister
- a. Budget
- b. Balance of payments - 2 hours
- c. Reserves
- V. International Political Situation - Tekoah, U.N. Ambassador
- a. Russia
- b. U.S.
- c. France - 2 hours
- d. The Arabs
- e. Prospects for war or peace
- VI. Who Should be Invited?
- | | |
|---|------|
| a. R.A.C. members + one guest for each | - 74 |
| b. Presidents - major rabbinical bodies | - 3 |
| c. Executives - major rabbinical bodies | - 3 |
| d. Executives - Boards of Rabbis | - 6 |
- Total Invitees 86
- VII. Location
- a. Chicago area
- (1) Place
 - (2) Kosher meals
 - (3) Adequate meeting room
 - (a) Blackboard
 - (b) Maps
 - (c) Tape recording

VIII. Schedule

Tuesday Dinner - HAF

Evening - 1 topic (Tekoah) (V)

Wednesday morning

2 topics (I & II) - 9 a.m. - 1 p.m. (lunch & break) 4 p.m. - 6 p.m.

Wednesday afternoon

1 topic (IV)

Wednesday night

After dinner - film showing - 2 hours

Thursday morning

1 topic (III) - Break either before or after lunch





DR. HILLEL E. SILVERMAN, Rabbi of Sinai Temple

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April 1, 1970

Rabbi Herbert Friedman
United Jewish Appeal
1290 Avenue of the Americas
New York, N.Y. 10019



Dear Herb:

I am certain that my column and the column of our synagogue President concerning our new Sinai Temple ruling that a pre-requisite for membership is a contribution to the United Jewish Welfare Fund, will be of interest to you.

With warmest best wishes from home to home, I am

Sincerely yours,

Hillel

Hillel E. Silverman

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APRIL 11:
TAZRIA
Leviticus 12:1 - 13:59

HAFTARAH
Kings 4:42 - 5:19

APRIL 18:
SHABBAT HAGADOL
METZORA
Leviticus 14:1 - 15:33

HAFTARAH
Malachi 3:4 - 24

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Speaks

DR. JACOB KOHN, *Rabbi Emeritus* - 1881-1968

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A Word from Our Rabbi



Rabbi Hillel E. Silverman

Shalom:

I am very, very proud of the moral and intellectual caliber of members affiliated with Sinai Temple.

The following resolution was passed almost unanimously at the last monthly Board of Directors meeting of our Synagogue:

"That every member of Sinai Temple be counted among the contributors of the United Jewish Welfare Fund and that, therefore, such giving be a pre-requisite to membership therein."

At first glance, many will question the propriety of a congregation expecting its members to make a contribution to any specific charity. Living as we do in a voluntaristic society, the very concept of something being "compulsory" or "mandatory" is repugnant to the mind and to the heart.

Let us analyze possible objections:

- 1—**The United Jewish Welfare Fund is not just another charity.** It is federated giving at the most intelligent and expedient level — almost 200 local, national and overseas medical, educational, social and cultural agencies. A great portion of these funds are expended for the **preservation of human life** in Europe, Africa and Israel, since the United Jewish Appeal and the Joint Distribution Committee are large beneficiaries. Those who want their contribution to go directly to Israel may earmark their pledge for the Israel Emergency Fund.
- 2—**Synagogue membership is a privilege.** When one affiliates with a Temple of the type of Sinai, one acknowledges and assumes an identification with Jewish Peoplehood. The privilege of

SERVICE FOR THE FIRST BORN

Following the ancient tradition of **Siyum B'chorot**, there will be a special service for first born sons in the Chapel on:

**Monday, April 20
7:30 - 8:15 A.M.**

We encourage eligible fathers and sons to attend.

Synagogue affiliation commits us to do our share not merely for our own specific Temple but for all our Jewish brethren, especially during these days of grave crisis.

- 3—**The intent of this resolution is not to serve as gimmick for the raising of a few extra dollars per se. Over 80% of Sinai members already give every year to U.J.W.F.** We would not presume to tell a member how much to contribute to Federation. This we leave to the individual conscience. (A \$1.00 contribution, ridiculous as this may sound, would meet this new Sinai requirement). The aim and goal rather is to enroll on the roster of Jews concerned about Am Yisrael, **100%** of our wonderful Sinai families.

The United Jewish Appeal, as a pilot project, has asked Sinai Temple among 10 congregations of national renown, to consider a resolution of this sort.

We are the first to respond.

Sinai Temple is a congregation with a long and glorious history. Other synagogues and congregations throughout this land look to Sinai for leadership. We must set the pattern and provide the impetus so that the **50% of synagogue affiliated Jews throughout the United States who do not give a dime to Welfare Fund** are made to feel their sacred responsibility.

L'hitraot,

Hillel E. Silverman

The President's Message



Dr. Edward Kamenir

I am not particularly enamored of loyalty oaths or pledges of affirmation in the usual political sense.

I am, however, quite ready to accept the principle of a **Covenant People**; that is, a people who are joined together in a mutuality of purpose and a sense of mission so that together they can aspire to reach the highest spiritual levels of human behavior.

There have been voices in the Conservative Movement which have called for the enactment of a new "Brith," a new covenant, to which we could all subscribe and which would bind together the various segments of our people.

I am so very proud of this Temple at this time.

Your Board of Directors at its last meeting, recognizing the urgency of the situation in Israel and in response to its expressed conviction that assistance to our fellow Jews must be fundamental to Synagogue affiliation, has now overwhelmingly agreed upon the first plank of our own Sinai Covenant, to wit: "... it shall be a condition of membership at Sinai Temple that every member family shall be currently enrolled as a contributor to the United Jewish Welfare Fund and/or the Israel Emergency Fund."

Sinai Temple has by this action informed those who may take notice of such statements that it places a premium upon and sets standards for affiliation with this institution.

Shalom,
Ed Kamenir

Schedule of Passover Services

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Monday Morning, April 20
Siyum B'chorot
Service for the First Born
7:30 A.M.

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Monday Evening, April 20
6:00 - 6:30 P.M.

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Tuesday Morning, April 21
First Day Passover
9:00 A.M.

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Tuesday Evening, April 21
6:00 - 6:30 P.M.
Community Seder — Ziegler Hall
6:30 P.M.

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Wednesday Morning, April 22
Second Day Passover
9:00 A.M.

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Monday Morning, April 27
Seventh Day Passover
9:00 A.M.

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Tuesday Morning, April 28
Eighth Day Passover
9:00 A.M.

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YIZKOR MEMORIAL SERVICE
Thursday, April 28 — 11:00 A.M.

SINAI COMMUNITY SEDER TUESDAY, APRIL 21

The members of Sinai Temple and their friends look forward to the traditional COMMUNITY PASSOVER SEDER, sponsored annually on the second night of Passover and conducted by Rabbis Hillel E. Silverman and Daniel J. Merritt, and Cantor Carl Urstein. This year the SEDER will be held:

ON: SECOND NIGHT OF PASSOVER, TUESDAY, APRIL 21.

IN: ZIEGLER HALL.

A Delicious Dinner will be served.
RESERVATIONS

MEMBERS:

Adults\$12.50 per person
Children under 12 ... 6.00 per child

NON-MEMBERS: (after March 24)

Adults\$15.00 per person
Children under 12 ... 8.00 per child

Reservations will be limited to 250 people. We therefore urge you to make your reservations as soon as possible.

Any member wishing an Aliyah for the Passover services is requested to call the Temple Office.

Schedule of Sabbath Services

**FRIDAY EVENING, APRIL 10
AT 8:15 P.M.
SABBATH EVENING SERVICES**

Mrs. Jacob Libaw
and
Mrs. Clifford Rubin
will recite the blessings over the
lighted Sabbath candles.

Rabbi Hillel E. Silverman:
"The Lepers Of 1970"

**SATURDAY MORNING, APRIL 11
AT 9:00 A.M.
SABBATH MORNING SERVICES**

B'nai Mitzvah:
Evan Justin Libaw
son of
Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Libaw
and
Scott Cary Rubin
son of
Dr. and Mrs. Clifford Rubin

Cantor Carl Urstein will chant the Sabbath Services accompanied by the Sinai Choir under the direction of Erwin Jospe.

**FRIDAY EVENING, APRIL 17
AT 8:15 P.M.
SABBATH EVENING SERVICES**

Mrs. Irving Axelrod
and
Mrs. Marvin Zuckerman
will recite the blessings over the
lighted Sabbath candles.

Rabbi Hillel E. Silverman:
"Conduct Your Own Passover Seder!"
(A "Workshop" For Parents)

**SABBATH MORNING SERVICES
AT 9:00 A.M.
SATURDAY MORNING, APRIL 18**

B'nai Mitzvah:
David Howard Axelrod
son of
Dr. and Mrs. Irving Axelrod
and
Randall Louis Zuckerman
son of
Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Zuckerman

CANDLE LIGHTING TIME
April 10 6:02 p.m.
April 17 6:08 p.m.

MINYAN VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Your Temple needs volunteers who will attend Minyan regularly, once a week or once every two weeks, on a scheduled basis. Your participation is not only a service to the Temple and to the community, but you will also be contributing a great deal to your own education in Judaism and its forms of communal worship. Morning services are held weekdays at 7:30 and Sundays at 9:00, and afternoon services are at 6:00 daily and Saturday and Sunday. For further information, call Mr. Mermell at the Temple office, or Dr. Mitchell O. Locks at 275-0810.

AKIBA ACADEMY NEWS

Akiba Academy, growing and flourishing at Sinai, is in the final quarter of its 1969-1970 academic year, with Nursery, Kindergarten and First Grade classes.

Everyone connected with Akiba is deeply appreciative of the gracious co-operation extended by the Sinai Staff not only to faculty and students, but also to the P.T.A. in its various activities. As Akiba, the first and only Conservative Day School in Los Angeles, becomes more and more significant in the academic life of the Jewish community, much of the credit will go to Sinai Temple for recognizing the importance of education as the past and future source of Jewish Survival.

In accordance with its projection of expanding its elementary program by one grade a year, Akiba is currently accepting registration for its charter Second Grade, as well as for its already existing classes, for the Fall semester. For information please call Akiba at 475-4095 or United Synagogue at 463-1161.

OUR RABBIS SPEAK IN THE COMMUNITY

Rabbi Hillel E. Silverman:

Saturday Evening, April 11

Friars Club

United Jewish Welfare Fund—
Photography Division

Thursday Morning, April 16

Mt. Sinai Memorial Park Employees
"Passover and Easter"

Sunday Morning, April 19

Sinai Men's Club
Passover Seder Workshop

Sunday Afternoon, April 19

Del Rey Yacht Club
Marina Del Rey

Our Sinai Family

APRIL 14—GALA LUNCHEON

MAZAL TOV

... to Mr. and Mrs. Mel Reif, on the birth of their granddaughter, **Anna**.
 ... to Mr. and Mrs. Herman Platt, on the engagement of their daughter, **Cindy to Michael Glazer**.
 ... to Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Geller on the birth of their grandson, **Avner Ben-Ner**, and to the parents, **Mr. and Mrs. Jochaman Ben-Ner**.

REFUAH SHELEMA

... to Mr. Martin Bizar, father of Mrs. **Ruth Pilot** at Mount Sinai Hospital.
 ... to Mr. Jerry Rhodes, recuperating at home.

OUR SYMPATHY

... to Mrs. Mildred Reif, on the loss of her father, **Leo Max Klayman**.
 ... to the Stein family, on the passing of our dear member, **Mr. Phillip Stein**.
 ... to Mrs. Nat Selikson, on the passing of her dear grandmother, **Ida Graver**.
 ... to Mrs. Ruth Beale, on the loss of her beloved father, **Mr. Nathan Brillier**.
 ... to Mrs. Carol L. Bradley, on the passing of her father, **Barnett Poles**.
 ... to Mr. and Mrs. Sam Reevein, on the passing of their son-in-law, **Harry Fay**.
 ... to Mrs. Ruth Pilot, on the passing of her grandmother, **Tillie Bizar**.
 ... to Mrs. Charlotte Kamenir on the passing of her aunt, **Bertha Kay**.
 ... to Mrs. Jerry Rhodes, on the passing of her father in Toronto, **Mr. Max Smith**.

TODAH RABBAH

... to Mr. and Mrs. Sydney Bash, our heartfelt thanks for a presentation of first day Issue Israeli covers, to the Audio Visual department. These are now being prepared for display in the case opposite Gold Hall.
 ... to Mr. and Mrs. Sherwin Memel, our sincere appreciation for the exquisite tapestry donated to Sinai, soon to be displayed in a most propitious place.
 ... to Mrs. Hedi Stern, our deepest appreciation for the magnificent gift of a core collection of Judaica in the German language, which she presented to the Sinai Temple Library. These books will occupy an honored place on our reference shelves.

DEADLINE SCHEDULE

For news for the period:
May 8 to May 22

All copy must be at the Temple Office
NOT LATER than WED. noon, April 15

For news for the period:
May 22 to June 5

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NOT LATER than WED. noon, May 6



Sarah Hershberg

Sisterhood's Luncheon Meeting, to be held on April 14, in Ziegler Hall, will be a truly gala affair. The Israel Independence Day, Yom Hatzmaut luncheon will feature Sarah Hershberg, the talented folk singer and composer.

Not only does she sing the traditional Jewish and Hebrew songs so dear to her people, but she specializes in musical interpretations of the Bible, bringing to life the ancient characters of her heritage. With her rhythmic guitar and heartwarming alto voice, she has a tremendous spiritual and emotional impact on her audiences. Her songs of pathos and humor keep her listeners laughing with tears in their hearts. Her biblical record albums, "Women of the Old Testament," "Moses in Story and Song," "Good Good" and "Genesis II" are not only delightfully entertaining but educational as well.

Sarah was educated at U.C.L.A. and Berkeley where she earned her B.A. in music. She has appeared many times on T.V. highlighted by starring with her collaborator, Sebastian Temple, in the exciting and beautiful production of their folk oratorio, "Moses."

Sarah is married and is the mother of three children.

MEN'S CLUB CORNER

There will be no Topic Club meeting on Sunday, April 12. All Men's Club members are urged to attend the free breakfast at Ziegler Hall honoring Cantor Urstein, sponsored by the University of Judaism.

Rabbi Silverman will give a refresher course on how to conduct a Seder at the Men's Club weekly breakfast meeting on Sunday morning April 19, from 10 a.m. to 12 noon.

ON THE SISTERHOOD SCENE

Our apologies to the many who wanted to attend the Purim Dinner. Space was limited. Under the capable supervision of Annette Marks and her co-chairmen, Judy Flax and Carol Steinberg, the dinner was a lively success. Orchids to the following who assisted in making the dinner a special event: Lina Poplawski, Minnie Osber, Ida and Dave Chester, Joy Taubman, Ann Mitnick, Evelyn and Melanie Dreyfus, Joan Rimmon, June Brott, Dorie Liebling, Carol Green, Millie Tynan, Lydia Spigelman, Nancy Kattler, Harvey and Janis Flax, Michael Tynan, and Lillian Green.

The Havdallah service was a meaningful experience and with the reading of the Megillah, Haman got his JUST DESSERTS by the children.

The "Purim Spiel" in Kohn Chapel was well presented by the children.

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 Sisterhood's Board Meetings are open to the general membership. Come and share some of your ideas.

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 The Book and Gift Shop has a fine selection of practical items for the Passover Holiday. There is a selection of beautiful gifts for the very special occasion, also.

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Blessed Be Their Memory

APRIL:

- 10—Harry J. Edelson, Isaac Nathanson, Harry Rosenberg
- 11—Gertrude Gottlieb, Della Hillman, Joseph Kopman, Harry Maizlish
- 12—Betty Seifert, Bertha Udell, Florence (Shifra) Meyers Winn
- 13—Sarah and Moses Barnett, Harry Savinar, Harry Weiss
- 14—Joseph Wagner
- 15—Ida Feldman, Abraham Fiske, Herman Garfein, Arnold Goldberg, Reuben Lackow, Clara Paris, Tillie Schwartz
- 16—Mary Jessie Cohen, Jack Eisen, Helen Frankel, Rev. Isadore Katz, Sophia Platt, Herbert Sapper, Pauline Schulman
- 17—Harris Gruberman, Anne Kopman, Ida Goldie Millner, Sam Rosen
- 18—J. L. Dubal, Edward Lane, William Ross
- 19—Esther Bergstein, Moses Fink, Isaac Schlager
- 20—Harry Smotrich
- 21—Barnett Gonick
- 22—Yetta Lederman
- 23—Sam Geller

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PREPARATION FOR PASSOVER

The ceremony of removing leaven (*bedikat chametz*) is to take place Sunday night, April 19. Homes should be cleaned of leaven by Monday morning, April 20. Until 10:00 a.m. Monday, leaven (*chametz*) may be eaten. Matzah may **not be eaten**. The meal Monday noon is to be of Passover food, but again matzah is not to be served.

The Passover home atmosphere is created each year by the traditional practice of thoroughly cleansing the home in all parts, and by the removal of all **chametz** or leaven in preparation for the welcoming of Pesach, as well as through meticulously avoiding the use of **chametz** throughout the Passover days, both at home and away.

The term **chametz** is applied not only to foods, the use of which is to be avoided during Pesach, but also to the dishes and utensils in which the foods are prepared or served during the year. These dishes or utensils may not be used during Pesach except as indicated below.

Dishes and Utensils

- Only dishes and utensils specially reserved for Passover should be used, with the following exceptions:
 - Silverware, knives, forks, and spoons made wholly of metal**, if used during the year, may be used on Passover if thoroughly scoured and immersed in boiling water. All table glassware is permitted after thorough scouring.
 - Metal pots and pans used for cooking purposes only**, but not for baking, if made wholly of metal, though used during the year, may be used on Passover if first thoroughly scoured and immersed in boiling water.
 - Utensils used for baking during the year may not be used during Passover.**
- Earthenware, enamelware, and porcelain utensils** used during the year may not be used on Pesach.
- The stove is prepared for Pesach by thoroughly scrubbing and cleansing all parts and turning full flame on in the bake oven and all the grates.
- A dishwashing machine may be used for Passover after thorough scouring with boiling water and the use of a new tray.

Food

- Not permitted:
The following foods are forbidden during Pesach: Leavened bread, cakes, biscuits and crackers, cereals, coffee substances derived from cereals, wheat, barley, oats, rice, peas, and all liquids which contain ingredients or flavors made from grain alcohol.
- Permitted foods:
 - Requiring no **Kosher l'Pesach** label, but must be in unopened packages or containers: Natural

coffee, sugar, tea, salt, pepper, vegetables except peas and beans (but string beans are permitted).

- Frozen fruits and vegetables. Fruits and those vegetables normally permitted for Passover use are permitted in their frozen state.
- If certified for Passover use by Rabbinical authority: Matzah, matzah flour, Passover noodles, candies, cakes, beverage, canned and processed foods, milk, butter, cheese jams, jellies, vinegar, wines and liquors, vegetable gelatin, relishes, salad oils, dried fruits, shortening. Labels and tags marked **Kosher l'Pesach** are of no value unless they bear Rabbinical signature. This statement also applies to products manufactured in Israel.

RECIPES

CHAROSET

½ apple, ground ¼ tsp. cinnamon
½ cup ground nuts 1 tbsp. sweet red wine

Chop or grate apple and mix thoroughly with cinnamon and nuts. Add wine and blend.

PESACH BLINTZES

(Mrs. Maurice Osber)

2 eggs, beaten 2 tbsp. plus 1 tsp.
½ tsp. salt potato starch
1 cup water

Disolve potato starch and salt in water. Add beaten egg and mix thoroughly. Heat a 10-inch skillet coated lightly with fat. Pour a small amount of batter into hot skillet, tipping skillet around so that it is even coated with batter. Pour any excess back into bowl. Brown lightly on each side. This will make 8 large blintzes. Do not double this recipe, as the potato starch settles and will not thicken properly.

Filling:

1 lb. liver, broiled 2 onions minced
2 eggs 2 tbsp. Matzoh Meal
Salt & pepper to taste 3 tbsp. fat

Grind liver. Saute onions in fat until transparent. Add to liver. Add remaining ingredients and blend thoroughly. Fill blintzes and fold over so all filling is sealed in. Place in greased pan and bake in 325° oven for 20-25 minutes, or until thoroughly warmed. Variation: any leftover meat may be used in place of liver.

KNEIDLACH (Mrs. Ruth Merritt)

5 tbsp. Chicken Fat 2 tsp. salt
4 eggs Pepper to taste
1½ - 1¾ cups ½ cup warm
Matzoh Meal water

With mixer or egg beater, mix the chicken fat until almost "creamy." Add eggs; beat until well blended. Add seasoning, water and Matzoh Meal and beat again until a thick, well-blended batter is formed. Chill in refrigerator for three hours.

To Cook:

Bring 4 qts. of salted water to rapid boil. With hands moistened in cold water, roll chilled batter into balls and drop into the boiling water. Cover and cook for thirty minutes. Drain and serve in soup.

NUT TORTE (from the Jewish Home Beautiful, by Betty D. Greenberg and Althea O. Silverman)

6 eggs	2 tsp. brandy or
¾ cup sugar	1 tbsp. wine
Grated rind of	2/3 cup Matzoh Meal
½ lemon and	1 tbsp. Potato Flour
½ orange	
½ cup ground	
mixed nuts	

This makes an unusually light and moist cake, quite different from the ordinary nut cake. Separate the white from the yolks, add a pinch of salt to the whites and place them in the refrigerator. Beat the yolks and the sugar until light, add the remaining ingredients and lastly, add the stiffly beaten egg whites. Bake in a spring-form in a moderate oven (325°) for one hour. Invert on wire rack and cool before removing the sides of the pan.

PLEASE ADD THIS AT YOUR SEDER

That the Jews of the Soviet Union may know that they have not been forgotten . . .

This is the Matzah of oppression

The leader of the service adds the following comments when distributing the matzoh after the blessing over the matzoh. He lifts a matzoh, sets it aside and says:

We set aside this "lechem oni" — this matzah of oppression — to remember the 3 million Jews of the Soviet Union. Most of them cannot have matzah on their Seder tables tonight. Conceive of Passover without matzah — without that visible reminder of our flight from slavery.

Think of Soviet Jews! They cannot learn of their Jewish past and hand it down to their children. They cannot learn the languages of their fathers and hand them down to their children. They cannot teach their children to be their teachers, their rabbis.

They can only sit in silence and become invisible. We shall be their voice, and our voices shall be joined by thousands of men of conscience aroused by the injustice imposed on Soviet Jews. Then shall they know that they have not been forgotten, and they that sit in darkness shall yet see a great light.



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THE SEDER SYMBOLS

SEDER means "order" or program of prayers and rituals for the home celebration.

HAGGADAH means "story." It is our duty to tell the story of Passover, particularly to the children.

MATZAH is the unleavened bread eaten in recollection of the hurried departure from Egypt. The eating of Matzah is obligatory only at the Seder. During the rest of Pesach, one may abstain from Matzah, as long as all chametz is avoided.

THE FOUR CUPS - Each has a specific place in the service. The **first** serves as the **KIDDUSH**, the **second** is taken at the conclusion of the first part of the Seder. The **third** is the cup marking the conclusion of the grace after the meal, while the **fourth** cup comes at the conclusion of the Seder. The four cups are said to refer to the four promises of redemption made by God to Israel.

THE CUP OF ELIJAH - Elijah is the herald of the Messianic era — when justice and peace will be realized. The "Cup of Elijah" is a symbol of the warm hospitality extended to strangers in every Jewish home on the Seder eve.

KARPAS or parsley, is made part of the meal to signify a festive supper as befits a great occasion. The additional relishes are dipped in salt water as they were at meals in ancient times.

MAROR is the horse-radish symbolizing the bitter plight of the enslaved Israelites.

CHAROSET is made of a mixture of apples, nuts and wine. Its color is a reminder of the bricks and mortar with which the Israelites had to do the work imposed on them by their taskmasters.

THE SHANK BONE is symbolic of the Paschal lamb. To this day, the Samaritans at Nablus still sacrifice a Paschal lamb on Mt. Gerizim in observance of the ancient rite.

THE EGG represents the Passover festive offering "Chagigah."

AFIKOMAN is a Greek word meaning "dessert." We make the Matzah the official dessert of the Seder meal. To keep the children alert during the Seder, the Afikoman is hidden. The children find it and the leader of the Seder must redeem it.

OPENING THE DOOR has been variously explained. Some refer it to the expectation of the visit of Elijah in every Jewish home, to herald good tidings for Israel.

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ONEG SHABBAT ETIQUETTE

1. Greet the people whom you know — but spend time with those whom you do not yet know. Make a point of getting to know one or two people to whom you have never talked before.

2. If you are not certain whether a person is a visitor or an old-member, a word of greeting usually brings out the fact very quickly.

3. Who breaks the ice? The chances are that if you do not know who he is, he does not have much of an idea who you are either. Don't pretend to know his name if you really don't. You might have to introduce him to somebody who walks up — and then what?

4. Watch for unfamiliar faces standing around nursing a coffee cup and looking lost. Try to avoid forming tight little knots with your cronies. This discourages those who see all this chumminess. They think you are cold to "outsiders."

5. Bring the newcomer over to meet the Rabbi for a word of welcome.

6. Tell the newcomer about the various activities of our Temple. This may be tough — you have to find out about them yourself first!

All of this is calculated to send people away with a sermon in their mind and a song in their heart. A friendly Temple is not a happening — it is your creation.

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NEXT FAMILY SHABBAT ON MAY 2

Many of our parents cry out on Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur . . . "My, I do wish my children could sit next to me on these holidays. It would be so meaningful to them and to us." There is no need to reserve this feeling for the High Holidays when our seating does not easily allow parent-children seating . . . you can sit together with your children on any Shabbat, and especially on May 2.

The next such Shabbat service, where parents are invited to come with their children and enjoy the services together sitting side-by-side, will be on May 2. You may come at any time earlier of course, but we ask that you be in the Synagogue by 10:00 a.m. Regular Shabbat morning School sessions is thus altered so that all children attend the Shabbat Services in the main Sanctuary.

On Saturday, March 14, Sinai celebrated "Rosh Hashanah in March." The Shabbat morning Services were attended by all of the Saturday School children, who participated in the regular Shabbat service in the large sanctuary. The young people at the Services made the Synagogue ring with the thrill of enthusiasm . . . and the services "came alive."

The Shabbat services are not intended to be "children's services," but instead a regular religious service oriented towards youth.

Young people from about 350 different families attend the Saturday school. Parents of all these students are invited to **BRING THEIR CHILDREN TO SERVICES: SIT AND PRAY TOGETHER!!!** About 40% of the parents attended. I hope this percentage is considerably higher on May 2.

MR. AND MRS. CLUB NEWS

"Everybody had a ball!" That's the only way to describe the resounding success of our March affair, the Discotheque party, "Gold-a-Go-Go." Champagne flowed freely and the psychedelic lighting and booming juke box brought all present into the rock and roll mood. Thanks to all who participated in this affair and especially **Adrienne Horwitch** for bringing the outstanding professional entertainment.

8 P.M. Saturday night, April 11, is the time for bowling togetherness at King Pin Lanes, 3415 S. Sepulveda Blvd. Cost is only \$6.00 per couple and shoes are furnished. Prizes will be awarded including lowest score, so you don't have to know how to bowl to join in the fun.

"Get into the election spirit!" will be the theme of our June party. After a brief election of the new slate of officers of the Mr. and Mrs. Club, **Dani Dassa** will lead us in Israeli folk dancing. The evening will be topped off with a delicious late buffet. So, right now, reserve Saturday evening, June 6, and come to Gold Hall for a great party.

OUR B'NAI MITZVAH



Evan Justin Libaw

Evan presently attends the El Rodeo School. He is in the eighth grade, and will graduate in June. An excellent student, he enjoys most subjects offered. As a participant in sports he enjoys skiing, swimming and team sports. As a spectator, he avidly follows basketball, football, and baseball.

Evan likes mathematics, and the life sciences. He is interested in becoming a physician.

A musical enthusiast, Evan plays the piano for relaxation and is principal violist of the El Rodeo Orchestra. On occasion he has been its guest conductor.

He has been the recipient of various scholarship awards at El Rodeo School, and in inter-school competition.

Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Libaw will co-sponsor the Oneg Shabbat on April 10 in honor of their son, Evan.



Scott Cary Rubin

Scott is a member of Squires, a service organization, chess club and a student teacher. His favorite subjects are history, math, science and shop. His hobbies include chess, swimming, coin and stamp collecting, electronics and sports. He also enjoys reading a wide range and variety of books.

Scott's ambition is to be a medical doctor, specializing in either surgery or pediatrics, like his father.

He expects many friends and relatives, including his grandfather, Dan Rietman from Burley, Idaho, to join him, his parents, his brother, Brett and sisters, Dana and Tracy, to celebrate the happiness of his Bar Mitzvah Day.

Dr. and Mrs. Clifford Rubin will co-sponsor the Oneg Shabbat on April 10, in honor of their son's Bar Mitzvah.



David Howard Axelrod

David is active in all sports but especially hiking, track, basketball and football. His hobbies are photography and reading about sports personalities.

Joining David in celebration of this joyous occasion will be his brother, Michael, his paternal and maternal grandparents, and family and friends from New York, Chicago, Philadelphia and Miami, as well as his parents Dr. and Mrs. Irving J. Axelrod.

The Oneg Shabbat on April 17 will be co-sponsored by Dr. and Mrs. Axelrod in honor of their son.

David Howard Axelrod, a 7th grade student at Emerson Junior High, has the happy coincidence of being Bar Mitzvah on his birthday, April 18. He enjoys the social and political subjects and his ambition is to become an attorney. David is active



Randall Louis Zuckerman

Randy has a brother, Larry, who is 27 years old, and a sister, Nancy, who is 9 years old. Randy's grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Zuckerman and Mr. and Mrs. George L. Drexler will be in attendance on this happy occasion along with many other relatives and friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Zuckerman will co-host the Oneg Shabbat on April 17 in honor of their son, Randy.

Randall ("Randy") Louis Zuckerman is the son of Marvin and Sylvia Zuckerman. He is an eighth grade student at Webster Junior High School. His favorite subjects are math, science, woodshop, and physical education. He enjoys working with his hands and sometimes serves as a junior handyman around the house. He loves water skiing, but his absolutely favorite recreation is riding the family mini-bike which was purchased at the Sinai Bazaar.



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Rabbi Herbert A. Friedman,
United Jewish Appeal,
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Dear Herbert,

I am delighted to know that you are planning to attend the meeting of the Steering Committee of the Rabbinic Advisory Council on Wednesday, May 13. We will be meeting at the Pfister Hotel. The men have been asked to arrive on Tuesday evening so that we can get to work no later than ten o'clock in the morning and conclude by four o'clock in the afternoon. That will enable them to get planes back to their homes on Wednesday evening.

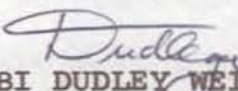
While I have been doing a few things in the congregation, this is my first venture outside. I hope that it augers well for my continuing recovery and my availability to the UJA.

In accordance with word from Earl Jordan, I have not made a reservation for you. I assume that you have your own plans for accommodations, should you need them for an overnight stay.

We will be meeting in Earl Jordan's room at the Pfister. I look forward most eagerly to seeing you. I think that the Rabbinic Advisory Council is moving. Now we need to build up some real momentum.

Best to you and yours.

Faithfully,


RABBI DUDLEY WEINBERG

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RABBINICAL ADVISORY COUNCIL - UNITED JEWISH APPEAL
MEETING

SEPTEMBER 14, 1970

Present at the meeting were:

Rabbi Gustav Buchdahl	- Baltimore, Md.
Rabbi Armond E. Cohen	- Cleveland, Ohio
Rabbi Seymour J. Cohen	- Chicago, Ill.
Rabbi Samuel Cooper	- Charleston, W. Va.
Rabbi Simon A. Dolgin	- Beverly Hills, Calif.
Rabbi Joseph Ehrenkranz	- Stamford, Conn.
Rabbi Dov P. Elkins	- Jacksonville, Fla.
Rabbi Arnold Fink	- Alexandria, Va.
Rabbi Eric Friedland	- Chicago, Ill.
Rabbi Harold Goldfarb	- Philadelphia, Pa.
Rabbi David I. Golovensky	- New Rochelle, N. Y.
Rabbi Robert A. Hammer	- Wilmette, Ill.
Rabbi A. Joseph Heckelman	- Waterbury, Conn.
Rabbi Arthur D. Kahn	- Tulsa, Okla.
Rabbi Samuel E. Karff	- Chicago, Ill.
Rabbi I. Usher Kirshblum	- Flushing, N. Y.
Rabbi Manuel Laderman	- Denver, Colo.
Rabbi Irving Lehrman	- Miami Beach, Fla.
Rabbi Uri Miller	- Baltimore, Md.
Rabbi Alvan D. Rubin	- St. Louis, Mo.
Rabbi Herschel Schacter	- Bronx, N. Y.
Rabbi Jacob E. Segal	- Detroit, Mich.
Rabbi Frank Stern	- Cleveland, Ohio
Rabbi Dudley Weinberg	- Milwaukee, Wisc.
Rabbi Arnold J. Wolf	- Highland Park, Ill.

Also present, as observers, were:

Rabbi Samuel Schafner	- Flushing, N.Y.
Rabbi Charles Davidson	- National U.J.A. office
Rabbi Matthew S. Simon	- National U.J.A. office

Rabbi Dudley Weinberg thanked the men for responding on such short notice to our invitation.

Rabbi Weinberg expressed his concern that the American rabbinate should function within the community and with an eye to serving the entire Jewish people. He continued with a report on the activities of the Rabbinical Advisory Council during the past year.

I. Rabbinical Mission - November 8 - 18, 1970

Rabbi Weinberg explained why the United Jewish Appeal would not subsidize participants this year. He then evaluated the previous Rabbinic Missions and stressed that the level of giving by the men participating underwent a drastic upward movement.

II. Rabbi Jordan informed the men of the meetings presently being set up with boards of rabbis throughout the country. Rabbi Weinberg solicited invitations for him or for one of the members of the Rabbinical Advisory Council in order to bring factual material on the Israel situation to as many rabbis as possible for inclusion in High Holy Day sermons. Rabbi Jordan is also urging the adoption of the 100% Plan by as many congregations as possible.

The 100% Plan was discussed. It was reported that more than 15 congregations have already adopted the Plan and that others are considering doing so. Rabbi Ehrenkranz told of his experiences with the Plan in his congregation.

In connection with 100% participation, Rabbi Weinberg stressed the the Rabbinical Advisory Council is urging, not just supporting, the adoption of such a resolution by congregations. It was decided that the Steering Committee would formulate a model resolution.

Rabbi Jordan is also urging men to give Israel a greater emphasis in their congregations' programs. An adult course on Israel was suggested. Rabbi Weinberg proposed that we create an outline for an adult education course on Israel. A unanimously favorable vote supported the creation, by the Rabbinical Advisory Council, of a syllabus for such a course.

(A suggestion was made that Federation executives be notified of any programs that are being considered by the Rabbinical Advisory Council.)

III. Rabbi Weinberg then discussed the function of the Rabbinical Advisory Council beyond fundraising, and mentioned three items being considered:

1. Creation of a series of seminars dealing with the problems and conflicts of the Near East, for rabbis. Rabbi Jordan noted that a date of January 12-13 has been set aside for the first seminar, and he is now in the process of developing faculty and the syllabus for the program. The United Jewish Appeal will pay transportation for the men, while they will pay for their own rooms and food.
2. Conference of Intellectuals. Rabbis and academicians coming together for an exchange of views.
3. To make available to the rabbinate a substantial review of the Israeli Press.

The business of the meeting was suspended while Rabbi Herbert A. Friedman addressed the group and answered questions.

IV. Rabbi Friedman reported that the Council of Jewish Federations & Welfare Funds had asked the Rabbinical Advisory Council to urge their rabbinic colleagues to invite a prominent, knowledgeable layman in their respective communities to address their congregations from the pulpit during the coming Holy Days on the subject of Israel's current crisis.

The Rabbinical Advisory Council responded favorably to the suggested and carried it one step further. It was resolved that every American rabbi should be urged to devote at least one major sermon during a service at which there is maximum attendance. In addition, the rabbis are to be made aware of the willingness of well-informed lay people to make themselves available during the Holy Days in order to emphasize and dramatize Israel's financial need at this time.

V. Rabbi Weinberg described the composition of the Rabbinical Advisory Council and explained that each of the three major rabbinic bodies was represented by ten men appointed by the Steering Committee of six members - Rabbi Joseph Ehrenkranz (Rabbinical Council of America), Rabbi David Golovensky (Rabbinical Council of America), Rabbi Arthur Hertzberg (Rabbinical Assembly), Rabbi Robert I. Kahn (Central Conference of American Rabbis), Rabbi Edward T. Sandrow (Rabbinical Assembly), Rabbi Arnold J. Wolf (Central Conference of American Rabbis), and chaired by Rabbi Dudley Weinberg. This year, for the first time, men are being rotated. Members have been appointed for terms of one, two or three years.

In addition, the Central Conference of American Rabbis, the Rabbinical Assembly and the Rabbinical Council of America were each asked to appoint five men for a term of one year.

Rabbi Weinberg explained that although we would like to have as much representation as possible in the Rabbinical Advisory Council, for budgetary reasons the number would have to be limited.

VI. Program in rabbinic seminaries. We have asked three schools to arrange for a course for senior students. Dr. Nelson Glueck has responded favorably to our request, and Rabbi Jordan is working out the details through Dr. Paul Steinberg, Dean of the New York School of the Hebrew Union College - Jewish Institute of Religion. Rabbi Edward Sandrow has contacted Dr. Finkelstein of the Jewish Theological Seminary.

VII. It was also reported that the Rabbinical Advisory Council is trying to develop a program that would offer useful services to rabbis who are in Israel for any length of time, either on sabbatical leave or extended stay. The Rabbinical Advisory Council, through the Israel office of the United Jewish Appeal, is also anxious to help rabbis to enrich the itineraries of their congregational trips to Israel. Information about that service should be directed to Rabbi Jordan.

The meeting was adjourned after gratitude was expressed to Rabbi Friedman for his remarks and to Rabbi Weinberg for all of his efforts on our behalf. It was noted that Rabbi Weinberg occupied the chair at a Rabbinical Advisory Council meeting for the first time since his illness, and that we were all grateful to G-d for his return.

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September 18, 1970

RESOLUTION OF THE SPECIAL MEETING OF SEPTEMBER 18, 1970

RESOLVED: that the Essex County Board of Rabbis, cognizant of the role of the synagogue as a representative of the Jewish people, urges every congregation under its aegis to establish, as a prerequisite for membership in the congregation, the payment of dues to the Jewish people through a contribution to the United Jewish Appeal;

that the governing boards of each congregation implement this resolution by notifying every member of the congregation of this new membership requirement;

that, in view of the present continuing crisis facing our people, congregations act as rapidly as possible in implementing the 100 per cent plan, with the commencement of the 1971 United Jewish Appeal Campaign as the target date for full subscription.

From the Study of RABBI ALVAN D. RUBIN

Congregation Temple Israel

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Dear Herb:

I thought you would like to know that Earl Jordan was here in St. Louis yesterday, meeting with all the rabbis and the presidents of the congregations. He did a magnificent job, and the enclosed resolution was adopted unanimously. There were about forty-five persons present, and I must tell you how everyone took to Earl and how wonderful his words were to us. I was happy to chair the meeting, and I think we have a real breakthrough in St. Louis. Of course, the follow-through is important, and I am quite involved in this.

Please be assured that we will do our best for the coming campaign.

With best wishes for the New Year, and I think we've got a real guy in Earl. He's tops.

Sincerely,



Rabbi Herbert Friedman
United Jewish Appeal
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ST. LOUIS RABBINICAL ASSOCIATION
and
ST. LOUIS RABBINICAL COUNCIL

RECOMMENDED TEXT FOR ADOPTION 9/28/70

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Rabbi Robert P. Jacobs, Pres.
St. Louis Rabbinical Association

Rabbi Aaron Borow, V.P.,
St. Louis Rabbinical Council

From the desk of

MELVIN DUBINSKY

October 2, 1970.

Dear Herb;

I thought this might be of interest
to you as a result of the U.J.A.
and Earl Jordan's spade work.

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Office of the Rabbi
JEFFREY B. STIFFMAN, D.D., R.H.L., M.A.L.L.

September 28, 1970

Dear Mel:

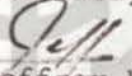
I called this morning, but was told you would return tomorrow. I have a favor to ask.

I have written to enclosed sermon to be used on Rosh Hashana and Yom Kippur mornings in the Temple. I consider the subject vital - and hope it will help our overall efforts. Not having been in the community for the last two years, I am unfamiliar with federation efforts so far. If you have the time, I would appreciate your reading the manuscript and making any suggestions that might make it fit in with the Campaign - and also to tell me if I am duplicating what has been done before.

I would deeply appreciate your help. Please do not hesitate to refuse if your time does not allow.

Many, many thanks. Arlene joins me in extending best wishes for a shana tova to you, Harriette and the family.

Sincerely,


Jeffrey B. Stiffman



"MIDDLE EAST PERSPECTIVES"

Rabbi Jeffrey B. Stiffman, Temple Shaare Emeth, High Holydays, 1970 - 5731

During the serenely beautiful holyday period, we take a break from the routine of daily living. We re-evaluate our lives and sharpen our Jewish consciousness. This year, we do not have to come to the synagogue for Jewish awareness, however. The events of the past few months have done this for us. Where is the Jew who has not been moved by the events in the Middle East - who is so insensitive that his heart does not ache at the news of suffering and horror on both sides of the conflict? We need not come to synagogue to become reminded of the Middle East.

The spirit of this day calls for a review of the events of the year gone by - in our own lives and the lives of our loved ones. On this day, however, the times are so critical and the need so urgent, that we look above the personal to the fate of our people everywhere - especially in Israel. In keeping with the tenor of our holydays, our views is not only of guns and missiles - but also of the moral and ethical implications of the situation.

There are three perspectives on the Middle Eastern situation which I would share with you today....The first is the fact that the world needs Israel - Israel remains one of the few outposts of true morality, justice and honesty in the world today.

Look at our international situation. Corruption, deception and lies are rampant under the guise of diplomatic license. Power politics is the rule of the day - and truth, fairness and uprightness stand trampled like an insect under the foot of an elephant.

The United Nations is morally corrupt - unable to deal in any real peace-keeping activities - a mere pawn of the super-powers. Witness its stand in the recent hi-jacking incident. The Security Council could not even risk debate on this obviously heinous crime. They called for a vote by consensus - without debate - which would have surely brought Arab atrocities to the floor of this fiercely pro-Arab body. Only Israel called a spade a spade during the whole affair - and demanded no submission to the international pirates.

The super-powers are corrupt - they have no sense of morality, just of power and strength. The now-failing United States peace initiative is a good example. In a moral climate, the United States would have chastised Russia and Egypt for breaking the cease-fire agreement as soon as the evidence was conclusive. Instead, our country refused to accept the evidence, even denied knowledge of it when the photographs were in the Pentagon, shilly-shallied and delayed - only belatedly acknowledging the crime when the death dealing missiles had been firmly implanted within the cease-fire zone. Only Israel, of all the states involved, maintained her integrity. If she had not spoken for truth and for justice - the big powers would have sold her away. Our government is now supplying her with arms - and perhaps Russia will move back some missiles - but not on their own initiative. The big powers were forced to do this by the moral persuasion of Israel.

And Israel's neighbors are corrupt. In the midst of the carnage that took place in Jordan, good King Hussein - the friend of the West - made a call for a cease-fire. And what did this signatory of the U.S. peace plan say? He told the refugees to stop fighting him and get back to the borders of Israel! What a way to end a war - go back to killing Jews

Only Golda Meir commented on a T.V. program - "Isn't that sweet - end your war so you can kill us!" Then asked what the reaction in Israel was to the Jordanian fighting, she

replied, our people are concerned over the needless bloodshed and loss of life. Imagine - a king calling for destruction of Israelis - and Israelis concerned about the loss of his peoples' lives. The world needs Israel - it needs Israel's moral strength - it needs her ethics - it needs her hatred of war.



The second aspect of the Middle Eastern crisis affects us personally.

American Jews need Israel. We need it not only because it gives us a good feeling when we help ~~our oppressed brethren~~ ^{struggling fellow Jews}. We need it not only because it gives us pride as Jews, and helps us walk with our heads high. We need it for much more.

Let us think back a few weeks to the days of the imprisonment of high-jack victims on airplanes. All women and children were taken off of the planes except Jewish ones. It took days for protests to emanate from Washington about the unfair treatment of U.S. citizens. No telegrams were forthcoming from the Pope - as they had when ^{Israeli destroyed Arab} airplanes had been destroyed in Beirut. Jewish lives were just not as important as Arab planes. ~~The U.N. could only come together and pass a resolution against high-jacking by consensus - without debate, for they knew that debate would be fruitless - Russian and Arab blocs had too many votes to accomplish anything. Only~~ ^{Jewish lives whether they were Israeli citizens} Israel stood solidly and completely at the defense of Jewish lives. We American Jews need Israel.

And if further proof is needed - witness the remarkable insensitivity of our government to its own responsibilities towards its Jewish citizens. Rumors that the U.S. would negotiate for the release of all non-Jewish American hostages were flying through Washington. Robert McClosky of the State Department, when asked whether this was true, stated, "I couldn't

rule it out, but that is not the objective." Can you imagine that - he couldn't rule it out - he was saying that American Jews are some type of second-class citizens - that Jewish hostages might have been kept on those hot planes even though they were U.S. citizens - that you and I are some special type of Americans who are expendable in the case of emergency!

~~[And this is in line with a long standing government policy of keeping Jews out of the foreign and military services in Arab lands.]~~ Where is the

sense of morality found a century ago - when our government refused to be intimidated by the Czar - and threatened to withdraw recognition of Russia if she refused to honor the passports of American Jews? Fortunately,

this true
the outcry of the American public was so great that the Administration made a quick retreat - claimed that it didn't mean what it said - and vowed to negotiate for all Americans together. But the possibility had been admitted, it had been stated. Once again - only Israel spoke up strongly and forthrightly - calling compromise, and especially compromise of Jewish lives, unthinkable and morally repulsive. Is there any doubt that we American Jews need Israel?

The third aspect of the Middle East is the most crucial. Israel needs us. [Oh,"you might now say,"here comes the same old line." We've heard it a thousand times before - but things should be different now. And that is true - things are different now.]

The facts are terrifying - so terrifying that President Nixon has opened up the arsenal of American weapons to Israel as no other President ever has. And for this he should be thanked.

But let us not pretend that this will change Israel's position. There are few smiles in Israel this day. She feels betrayed. She is thankful for U.S. help - but knows that, like British and French help - it might be cut off by political considerations at any time. She needs funds to buy now - while the market is open.

Why does she need to buy more - this great victor in the Six-Days war. Well, let's face the facts, she didn't win that war - and she is in the process of losing it. While her loss of life goes up, and over 90% of her tax revenues have to be spent for defense, while her young men are being killed in battle and her women and children bombed in schools and market places, Russia has armed her enemies to the teeth. Estimates state that Russia has given or sold one and a half billion dollars worth of military hardware since 1967.

There are probably 10-15,000 Russians in Wgypt today. Israel is outgunned 24 to 1 and outnumbered 12 to 1 on the Egyptian side alone. Multiply this by the threat from the Jordanians, Lebanese, Syrians on the borders, the Palestinian guerilla forces, the other Arab nations - and we see the eesperate situation in Israel today. Compound this with the fact that her only strong defense, her air superiority, is vastly weakened by Russian missiles placed there because she listened to the promises of the United States and Russia.

There are no smiles in Israel. They saw what happened in Jordan, when Arab fought Arab brother - destruction, rape, inhumanity of the most gross kind. The wounded ^{lying} in the streets

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of Amman for days - screaming for aid - bleeding to death - writhing in pain...and no one would stop shooting long enough to help. The Israeli knows what is in store for him if Arab armies were victorious. Abba Eban once said that the only thing that stands between his beautiful 14-year old daughter and an Arab soldier is the army of Israel - and Israelis intend to keep it that way. There are no smiles in Israel.

At yet, despite this situation, the Israelis continue to offer services to new immigrants - who are coming in increasing numbers from Communist countries. Immigration, health care, employment training, housing - all are provided for these latest Jewish victims of totalitarianism. And this takes money too.

This year, we are asked to give more than ever before. This year is even more critical than 1967 - when we thought we had given our all. Well our all is not enough - we must do more. Israel needs us. She needs us now. She needs us to survive. She needs us to insure the safety of her little school children - so that no more Israeli mothers need carry the bullet riddled bodies of their children from a school bus. She needs us to help provide the funds that will free her young men to fight for her survival - she is not asking for our sons and daughters - just for our financial aid and our investment in her bonds. She asks us to fortify her with funds, so that one day none of her children need sleep below ground in shell-proof bunkers. Our children are not being orphaned in kibbutzim - but our children are being called upon to work and give to Israel as well.

If ever there was a time to cry out on behalf of our brethren - this holy day is it.

We need your funds - and we need your care. Each member of our congregation must become

a spokesman in our community for Israel. We shall again intensify our efforts to present the facts of the Middle East to our membership. In November, I shall be visiting Israel under the sponsorship of Federation and the Rabbinical Association for a Rabbinical study mission -and shall report to you upon my return. In the Spring, we hope that a number of members of our congregation will join in a tour of Israel, a tour which will include study before-hand and reports to our congregation following our return. But I said, "we hope to go." We hope to go because we hope that Israel still exists. We hope to go to a holy land that is still there.

For today, for the first time, in Israel and from without, there is talk of the possibility of the end of Israel. As inconceivable and immoral as it might sound - some are talking in terms of the death of Israel. THE DEATH OF ISRAEL. A new holocaust. The death of Israel.

If ever there were a challenge set before us on this Holy Day, this is it. We cannot let Israel die - the world needs Israel. We must not let Israel die - we need Israel. We shall not let Israel die - now or ever. May we be strengthened in our resolve - and may we honorably and nobly strengthen ourselves for the tasks ahead. Amen.



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October 22, 1970

Director
RABBI EARL A. JORDAN

TO: EXECUTIVE DIRECTORS OF FEDERATIONS & WELFARE FUNDS

FROM: RABBI EARL A. JORDAN

I would like to tell you a story and conclude it by asking a favor of you. I will try to make a long story short, as the saying goes, but I beg you to bear with it so that my request will have a favorable context.

Once upon a time, Herbert Friedman put forward the notion that the privilege, honor and distinction of being a Jew is something for which one must pay. You could say that one ought to pay dues to the Jewish People. With Jewish identity comes Jewish responsibility. A Jew is part of a people which has persisted in history and the Jewish responsibility is to see that this people continues to persist, even to thrive. Herbert Friedman suggested that a gift to the United Jewish Appeal or to the Jewish Federation was the appropriate way in which these dues could be paid. He also suggested that every synagogue-affiliated Jew, who voluntarily identified with Jewish survivalism, had the primary responsibility for financial commitment.

We gave a great deal of thought to how we could transform the axiom that he articulated (with which I agree, incidentally) into an action program. It occurred to us that there were concentrations of Jews to be found in the synagogues of America who had, by virtue of their synagogue affiliation, expressed their bond with the Jewish people, but who had nevertheless never made a gift. It struck us as an internal contradiction for a man to identify himself with the synagogue and its value system without expressing his support of these very values by sharing in the financial burden of Jewish survival.

Rabbi Simon Dolgin, an Orthodox Rabbi in Beverly Hills, California, was persuaded by the argument and, in turn, was able to convince both the board of trustees of his congregation and its membership. At a general meeting the membership of Beth Jacob Congregation agreed that it was both good and proper for the synagogue to require, as a condition of eligibility for membership, a gift to the Jewish Federation-Council of Greater Los Angeles. Its membership list was sent to the Federation office, where it was checked against the list of contributors. It was learned that of the 500 member families in Beth Jacob Congregation, 130 had made no gift. The congregation appointed a committee to meet with each of the non-contributors and to explain the new policy, together with the reasons for its adoption. Of the 130 families, 128 made gifts to the Federation and 2 resigned as a matter of principle. It must be noted at this point that Beth Jacob Congregation made no stipulation as to the amount of the gift, nor did they solicit those who were currently contributors. Their concern was solely with the registration of every member of their own congregation on the roster of the Jewish people. After the initial gift was received, the contribution card was put into the machinery of the Federation and subsequent solicitations were made through the usual channels.

כל ישראל ערבים זה בזה

Based on Rabbi Dolgin's experience, I invited 12 rabbis in the United States to participate in a pilot project. They were requested to raise the question of the "100% Plan" with their synagogue leadership and to attempt to introduce the Plan in their respective congregations. Five succeeded, five others passed a resolution that said that every member of the congregation ought to make a gift, and I am still waiting to hear from the other two. The "ought" resolution was successful only in those congregations that pursued the matter further by establishing an active Israel committee and seeing to it that every non-contributor within the congregation was personally solicited.

With the Fall of 1970 and the urgency that characterized Israel's circumstances at this time, I determined to attempt to broaden the 100% Plan as widely as possible. During the month of September I visited some of the communities in which goal-setting meetings had been held with prominent Israelis. I met with the boards of rabbis in those communities and, in some cases, with the lay leadership of the synagogue community. The results were interesting.

In a number of places the board of rabbis passed a resolution approving the 100% Plan in principle and urging its adoption by all of the congregations within its aegis. A number of synagogues adopted the Plan unilaterally. In other communities the response was broader.

In St. Louis, a special meeting was called. The St. Louis Rabbinical Association and the St. Louis Rabbinical Council met jointly (an historic event in itself), together with the presidents of the congregations of the community, in order to hear me. I asked that the rabbis devote a major sermon to Israel and her needs during the Holy Days; that each congregation establish an active Israel Affairs Committee that would program throughout the year Israel-centered activities; and that each congregation adopt the 100% Plan. The results of the meeting can be seen in the attached resolution that was passed that day.

I had a similar experience in Kansas City where I met with all of the rabbis at lunch and then, later in the day, with the presidents of their congregations.

I would like to visit as many communities as possible in order to speak with the rabbis and their lay leadership, to present the 100% Plan and to urge its adoption by them. The success of this program depends on the interest and support that it will receive from you.

Because we must reach such huge targets during the coming campaign, our work to greatly increase the top gifts must be supplemented by finding new sources of money. One way in which the base from which we build the campaign can be broadened is by using the synagogue as the source of names of potential contributors and as the instrument by which their initial gifts are solicited.

If you find merit in this idea, and if you agree that such a meeting would be useful in your community, please communicate with me so that we can arrange to set up a meeting and begin its implementation.

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Att.

ST. LOUIS RABBINICAL ASSOCIATION
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RABBINICAL ADVISORY COUNCIL
STEERING COMMITTEE
MILWAUKEE, WISCONSIN
MAY 13, 1970
CHAIRMAN: RABBI DUDLEY WEINBERG

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Enclosures: 100% Plan (2)
Near East Seminar Proposals
Israel Press Review #63 April 23, 1970

3 suggestions
~~Position papers~~

Paul Dubin's
weekly Kabbalah card

MINUTES OF THE RABBINICAL ADVISORY COUNCIL
STEERING COMMITTEE MEETING - MILWAUKEE, WIS.
MAY 13, 1970

Present were Rabbi Joseph Ehrenkranz, Rabbi David I. Golovensky, Rabbi Robert I. Kahn, Rabbi Edward T. Sandrow, Rabbi Dudley Weinberg, Rabbi Arnold J. Wolf, Rabbi Herbert A. Friedman and Rabbi Earl A. Jordan.

1. Rabbinical Mission - November 8 - 17, 1970

It was agreed that there was merit in planning a third Rabbinical Mission as part of Operation Israel. The minimum number of participants will be 35. While the United Jewish Appeal will not undertake to underwrite any part of the cost of the Mission, we will help men who are selected with their congregations and communities in order to urge their financial support.

It was agreed that the emphasis ought to be on young men in the rabbinate and that everything should be done to urge their participation. No mass mailing will be sent this year, but men will be invited to participate on an individual basis. The precise method of selection has not yet been determined, but it was generally agreed that members of the Steering Committee, together with Rabbi Jordan, would solicit the advice of Federation executives and UJA field men. In the meanwhile, we have reserved the dates and each member of the Steering Committee, together with Rabbi Jordan, will begin the phone calls.

2. "100% Plan"

Rabbi Friedman explained its genesis. The premise of the 100% Plan is that there is a relationship between synagogue affiliation and a sense of responsibility for the entire Jewish people. The Plan involves encouraging congregations to require as a condition of membership some gift to the United Jewish Appeal or to the local welfare federation. If that is not possible, then the very least a congregation should do is to actively solicit the participation of each of its members in the Campaign. The thrust of the 100% Plan is not an attempt to raise inadequate gifts but rather to initiate the giving of those who are currently non-contributors.

The first congregation to come to Herbert Friedman's attention was that of Rabbi Simon Dolgin in Los Angeles. Rabbi Dolgin urged his Board to accept the resolution relating UJA participation to congregational membership, and after introducing the program to his congregation of 500 families, learned that 130 of them were currently non-contributors. Each of the 130 was solicited with the result that 128 began to make contributions to UJA and two member families resigned as a matter of principle. A number of congregations throughout the country have either recently initiated this practice or have been following it for several years, without our knowledge.

Rabbi Jordan described the twelve congregations that have already agreed to participate in a pilot program for this year. Those present were convinced of the potential of the 100% Plan and were anxious to hear the results of our pilot project.

3. Study Retreat on the Near East for Rabbis - Tues. & Wednes., Jan. 12 & 13, 1971

Because there is so much fundamental knowledge required for a thorough understanding of the Near East and of Israel in its context, the Rabbinical Advisory Council will hold a Study Retreat for its own membership. We will call together leading experts on the Near East to act as faculty. In every case we will invite full discussion of all of the issues raised in order to understand the spectrum of opinion on matters of public policy in the State of Israel.

In our discussion of the Retreat, two points were stressed. The first was that there is a great diversity of opinion within Israel on many matters and that this diversity is not always represented to the American Jewish community in an adequate way. The second point stressed was that there is a body of factual information with which one must be familiar in order to take a position on any of the issues. The purpose of this Retreat is, then, to present the factual material necessary and then to hold a full discussion from differing points of view.

The Retreat will be held at a resort area removed from a major city, yet still accessible. The United Jewish Appeal will pay the cost of transportation for the men participating as well as the cost of the program. Men will be asked to pay their own hotel and food expenses. Invitations are to be sent to the members of the Rabbinical Advisory Council, to the presidents of the major rabbinical bodies and to the executives of the regional boards of rabbis.

Following an extended discussion, it was agreed that each of the three subjects to be explored will be discussed by two lecturers. The faculty members will be invited to stay throughout the course of the Retreat so that we will have the benefit of a personal relationship with them.

The subjects to be covered are:

- a. The Arab question.
- b. Immigration and absorption.
- c. Economics and finance.

The faculty will be selected by Rabbis Arthur Hertzberg, Herbert Friedman, and Earl Jordan, together with Dr. Aryeh Neshet.

Rabbi Friedman indicated that there were a number of places suitable for such a retreat, and that he would be happy to advise us of their location. Kosher food would of course be served.

Men would be invited to bring their wives at their own expense.

4. Cantors

Rabbi Jordan reported on his meeting with members of the Cantors Assembly, when he discussed with them the possibility of a mission to Israel for cantors.

It was the unanimous feeling of the Steering Committee that such a mission be planned, provided that UJA and the Rabbinical Advisory Council not involve itself in communications with synagogues or subsidizing the trip in any way.

5. Conference of Jewish Intellectuals

A number of months ago Rabbi Weinberg suggested that it would be an appropriate task for the Rabbinical Advisory Council to sponsor a Conference of Jewish Intellectuals. We would bring together, in a secluded place, faculty members from American universities who are neither hostile to Israel nor especially supportive of it but who are Jewish, Israeli faculty people currently in the United States, and a selected number of rabbis. At this meeting those present would begin to explore the problematic areas of Israel's existence freely and openly. While the goal of such a Conference would not be to publish papers, we would report to the American rabbinate any fruitful results from such a Conference.

Our purpose in holding it is twofold: in the first place we want to create an environment in the United States where the issues that concern so many American rabbis and intellectuals can be freely discussed. Secondly, we want to open lines of communication with Jewish faculty of American universities.

Rabbi Jordan was to contact Rabbi Zigmond and to ask him to discuss with appropriate people in the Boston area the possibilities of arranging such a Conference. A number of names were suggested, i.e. Leon Jick, Nahum Glatzer, Leonard Fine. Rabbi Jordan suggested that he contact the American Association of Professors for Peace in the Middle East to determine the extent of their interest in our project.

6. Review of the Israeli Press

A copy of the Review of the Israeli Press that is currently being prepared at the National UJA office was distributed, and it was judged unsuitable for wider distribution. Instead, it was the intention of our Committee to make available excerpts from the Israeli press, that dealt with the controversy taking place in Israel. We want to circulate, at least within our own Rabbinical Advisory Council, reflections of the ferment taking place. We want material dealing with the debates about the occupied areas, about the role of the Arabs in Israeli society and government, about all of the issues that are exercising the Israeli public.

Rabbi Friedman agreed to have such a review prepared and it will be Rabbi Jordan's responsibility to have it duplicated and circulated among the Steering Committee of the Rabbinical Advisory Council for a number of weeks. If, after perusing it, we think it valuable, it will be given wider circulation.

As of the writing of these Minutes, a request has been made for the first Review of the Israeli Press, as we described it.

7. Sabbatical Program

It is clear that rabbis who are in Israel for an extended stay on a sabbatical leave ought not to be ignored by the United Jewish Appeal. It was therefore suggested that a program be established for such people, together with students at the rabbinical schools studying in Israel, that would have two parts. The first part would be a series of Saturday afternoon get-togethers, at which time the men would be able to meet with Israeli personalities. The second part would be a monthly trip to specially selected sites not ordinarily seen by the men.

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Rabbi Jordan will be in Israel this summer and at that time will develop the program.

8. Solicitation of Rabbis

Rabbi Kahn suggested that our attempt to increase rabbinic giving be done in stages and that the first stage in our program be a letter (which he agreed to draft) calling attention to the problem of rabbinical giving and pointing out the increases in the gifts of those rabbis who went on the rabbinical missions to Israel and who are intimately acquainted with the situation there. Following Rabbi Kahn's letter, Rabbi Weinberg will send another letter to each member of the Rabbinical Advisory Council, asking them to follow up with rabbis in their own areas on a personal, face-to-face basis.

9. The Rabbinical Advisory Council and its Structure

A discussion of this item was postponed until our next meeting, because of the press of time.

10. Relationship of R.A.C. to National Rabbinical Bodies

Item No. 10 was also not discussed for the same reason.

11. Rabbinical Schools

Rabbi Friedman reported on his visits to the Hebrew Union College in Cincinnati, to the Jewish Theological Seminary in New York, and on his luncheon with J.I.R. senior students in his office. He explained that the purpose of these visits was to acquaint men about to enter the rabbinate with the realities of American Jewish life. One thing that emerged from his meetings with senior rabbinical students was evidence of their appalling lack of information in regard to the way that the American Jewish community functions. It became clear that it would be of great value to have a course given on the American Jewish community in the senior year of each of the rabbinical schools. Rabbi David Golovensky undertook to contact Yeshiva University, Rabbi Edward Sandrow promised to investigate the matter at the Jewish Theological Seminary, and Rabbi Weinberg agreed to speak with the Hebrew Union College.

The United Jewish Appeal is prepared to make available funds to underwrite such a course. We would also provide the personnel with appropriate academic credentials should any or all of the rabbinical schools request it.

P.S. Our meeting was held in Milwaukee because of Rabbi Dudley Weinberg's recent indisposition and in order to spare him any unnecessary exertion. He more than compensated for our inconvenience in traveling to Milwaukee by the magnificent arrangements that he was able to make at the Pfister Hotel in that city. Each of the men expressed great pleasure and gratitude to Rabbi Weinberg and to the management of the hotel for the superior service and excellent accommodations that we were afforded. Rabbi Weinberg was scrupulous in arranging that the one meal that we shared be acceptable in terms of Kashrut. Gratitude was also expressed to Rabbi Herbert Friedman for his willingness to participate in our deliberations and for his obvious enthusiasm for the role that we play within the National United Jewish Appeal.

The meeting ended with a tired but satisfied group of men. To a man we felt that the Rabbinical Advisory Council at last begins to fulfill some of the hopes which we had for it.



NEAR EAST SEMINAR

PROPOSAL BY RABBI HERBERT A. FRIEDMAN

I. Immigrant Absorption Process - HAF

- a. Mechanics and sociology and future - 2 hours - presentation and questions

II. The Israeli Army - Gen. Eli Zeira, Military Attache in Washington

- a. As an instrument of education, immigrant absorption and citizen-making - 2 hours - presentation and questions
- b. As instrument of defense

III. The Arab Question - Shlomo Argov, Minister

- a. Citizens of Israel since 1948 - 1/4 million
- b. Refugees outside of Israel - 3/4 million
- c. New million in held territories - occupation policies - 2 hours
- d. Jerusalem

IV. Economics & Finances - Alexandroni, Economic Minister

- a. Budget
- b. Balance of payments - 2 hours
- c. Reserves

V. International Political Situation - Tekoah, U.N. Ambassador

- a. Russia
- b. U.S.
- c. France
- d. The Arabs
- e. Prospects for war or peace - 2 hours

VI. Who Should be Invited?

- a. R.A.C. members + one guest for each - 74
- b. Presidents - major rabbinical bodies - 3
- c. Executives - major rabbinical bodies - 3
- d. Executives - Boards of Rabbis - 6

Total Invitees 86

VII. Location

- a. Chicago area
 - (1) Place
 - (2) Kosher meals
 - (3) Adequate meeting room
 - (a) Blackboard
 - (b) Maps
 - (c) Tape recording

VIII. Schedule

Tuesday Dinner - HAF

Evening - 1 topic (Tekoah) (V)

Wednesday morning

2 topics (I & II) - 9 a.m. - 1 p.m. (lunch & break) 4 p.m. - 6 p.m.

Wednesday afternoon

1 topic (IV)

Wednesday night

After dinner - film showing - 2 hours

Thursday morning

1 topic (III) - Break either before or after lunch



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"100% PLAN"

Rabbi _____

Ref. _____ Cons. _____ Orth. _____

Congregation _____

of member families _____

Address _____

Phone () _____

Initial contact with Rabbi
made by _____

Comments: _____

Method of approach to Board of Trustees:

Rabbi _____

Letter from EAJ _____

Other _____

Action of the Board of Trustees: _____

Congregation's Membership List given to Federation: _____ (date)

Contact with Federation by EAJ on: _____ (date)

List of non-contributors returned on: _____ (date)

Number of non-contributors _____ % of congregation _____

Comments: _____

Visit by Rabbi Jordan to brief the committee _____ (date)

Comments: _____

Implementation:

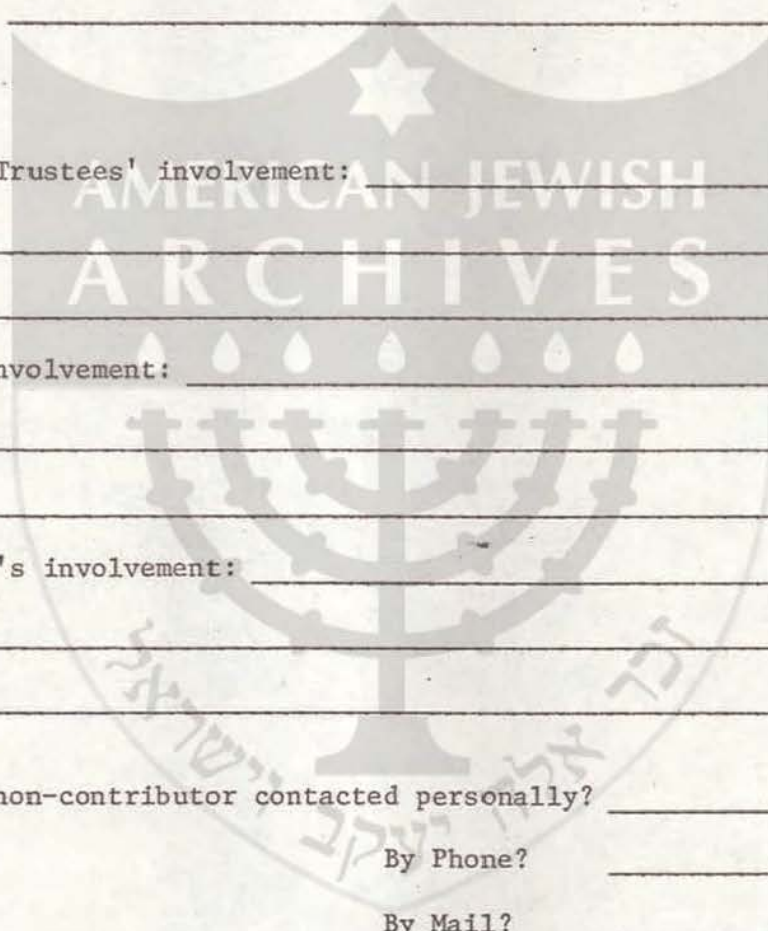
Board of Trustees' involvement: _____

Rabbi's involvement: _____

Committee's involvement: _____

Was each non-contributor contacted personally? _____
By Phone? _____
By Mail? _____

Follow-up:



Denom.	Name of Rabbi	Congregation	Step #				
			1	2	3	4	5
R	BLOOM, P. IRVING	Sha'arai Shomayim 1769 Spring Hill Ave. Mobile, Ala. 36607 (205) 478-0415					
O	DOLGIN, SIMON A.	Beth Jacob 9030 Olympic Blvd. Beverly Hills, Calif. 90211 (213) 276-7143					
O	EHRENKRANZ, JOSEPH	Agudath Sholom 301 Strawberry Hill Stamford, Conn. 06902 (203) 325-3501					
C	GOLDFEDER, FISHEL J.	Adath Israel 3201 E. Galbraith Rd. Cincinnati, Ohio 45236 (513) 793-1800					
R	GORDON, THEODORE H.	Main Line Reform Temple Beth Elohim 410 Montgomery Ave. Wynnewood, Pa. 19096 (215) MI 2-6062					
R	LELYVELD, ARTHUR	Fairmount Temple 23737 Fairmount Blvd. Beechwood, Ohio 44121 (216) 469-1330					
R	MASLIN, SIMEON J.	K.A.M. Temple 930 E. 50 St. Chicago, Ill. 60615 (312) KE 8-3300					
C	SILVERMAN, HILLEL E.	Temple Sinai 10400 Wilshire Blvd. Los Angeles, Calif. 90024 (213) 272-6336					
C	SUD, IRA	Ezra Congregation 2620 W. Touhy Ave. Chicago, Ill. 60645 (312) 743-0154					
R	SUSSKIND, DAVID J.	Temple Beth-El 400 Pasadena Ave., S. St. Petersburg, Fla. 33707 (813) 347-6136					

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C	WASHER, JUDAH	Jewish Community Center 70 Sterling Place Teaneck, N. J. 07666 (201) 833-0515					
R	ZION, JOEL Y.	H (201) 836-2082 Temple Israel 140 Central Ave. Lawrence, N.Y. 11559 (516) 239-9591 1140 (H) (516) (CE) 9-3018					



from Herbert A. Friedman

ALABAMA

LOS ANGELES - 2

CON N.

{ CINCINNATI } OHIO
AMERICAN JEWISH
{ CLEVELAND } ARCHIVES

PHILADELPHIA (+ 1)

CHICAGO - 2

FLORIDA

NEW JERSEY

LONG ISLAND (GREATER N.Y.)

WESTCHESTER (+ 3)
BROOKLYN
MANHATTAN

16 TOTAL

+ DETROIT - ?

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R	ZION, JOEL Y. (12)	Temple Israel 140 Central Ave. <u>Lawrence, N.Y. 11559</u> (516) 239-9591	✓				



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5. Follow UP

6. Devise statistical chart



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Simeon J. Maslin

RABBI, K.A.M. TEMPLE

RABBI'S STUDY, 930 E. 50th ST. • CHICAGO, ILLINOIS 60615

May 19, 1970

Dear Friends:

What new words can I write to express the importance that I attach to the Jewish United Fund? Hasn't it all been said? I, too, thought that I had heard it all until I went to Israel as part of a U. J. A. Mission group in January. But....

I heard new things in a bunker near the Suez Canal during an air raid alert.

I heard new things at Lydda Airport as I helped welcome a plane-load of destitute but hopeful Indian and Persian Jews.

I heard new things in a Bet Avot - home for our parents - where aged immigrants with no families are treated with dignity and familial affection.

I heard new things from a kibbutznik in a Jordan Valley underground shelter where the children must sleep every night.

I heard and saw hundreds of new things and realized that not nearly enough had been said.

One thing that I said at a meeting in Tel Aviv as soon as our group returned from the Suez area was: "I increase my pledge for 1970 by 25%."

I hope that you agree with me that no Jew - certainly no member of K. A. M. Temple - has the right to refuse to make a significant gift to the J. U. F. This is a religious obligation. Your gift to the J. U. F. saves lives! It is as simple as that.

If you have already donated generously to the 1970 J. U. F. campaign, I thank you. If not, please make your pledge today or at the K. A. M. - J. U. F. dinner on June 16. I hope to see you there.

Please... please answer from your heart.

Shalom,



Simeon J. Maslin

HAF

RABBI, K.A.M. TEMPLE

RABBI'S STUDY, 930 E. 50th ST.

CHICAGO, ILLINOIS 60615

May 20, 1970

RECEIVED	
MAY 27 1970	
NOTED BY	REFER TO
DATE	DATE
Appeal	Jordan
ANSWERED	

Rabbi Earl A. Jordan
 Rabbinical Advisory Council - Jewish United
 1290 Avenue of the Americas
 New York, N. Y. 10019

Dear Earl:

Enclosed are a copy of the latest K. A. M. News and copies of two letters: #1 to the entire congregation along with an invitation to the June 16 J. U. F. Dinner, and #2 to all non-givers of 1969.

cc HAF
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After a labor of several weeks by my secretary, we have been able to identify all of our non-givers of 1969. They number 104 (including a few elderly shut-ins). This is about 21% of our congregation. Within a week after receiving letter #2, each non-giver will get a phone call from a member of our committee asking that he make a pledge. Letter #2 will have the name of the person typed in individually. That's the story of our efforts at this end.

Best regards.

Sincerely,

Simeon J. Maslin



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Simeon J. Maslin

RABBI, K.A.M. TEMPLE

RABBI'S STUDY, 930 E. 50th ST.

• CHICAGO, ILLINOIS 60615

May 21, 1970

It is difficult for me to write this letter, extremely difficult, but I must. The emergency situation in Israel forces me to disregard the possible embarrassment caused by this letter and to hope and pray that you will read it in the spirit in which it was written: love for Israel and the Jewish people.

You have already received the letter from me which was enclosed with your invitation to our annual Jewish United Fund dinner on June 16. I hope that you read that letter. I shall repeat here only one paragraph: "I hope that you agree with me that no Jew - certainly no member of K. A. M. Temple - has the right to refuse to make a significant gift to the J. U. F. This is a religious obligation. Your gift to the J. U. F. saves lives! It is as simple as that."

According to the records of the Chicago J. U. F. office, you are not listed as a contributor in 1969. I hope that this is a mistake. J. U. F. records indicate that over 90 members of our congregation failed to give for Israel and for our Jewish social service agencies and hospitals here in Chicago last year. But those records come from I. B. M. machines, machines which do not comment on individual situations. Possibly 1969 was a difficult year for you; possibly you extended yourself in other directions. If so, let me simply remind you that the survival of Israel is at stake. This is no cliché; it is stark truth. Two and a half million Jews in Israel (and many thousands more here in Chicago) depend on your life-giving donation to J. U. F.

Please let me know if there was some error in the J. U. F. office records; I would be relieved. I shall be content only when I am assured that every member of K. A. M. Temple has given - be it \$10, \$100, \$1000 or more - for the survival of Israel and the Jewish people and the improvement of our Chicago Jewish community in 1970. When you are called by a member of our J. U. F. committee next week, please respond generously to this appeal from my heart to yours.

Shalom,

Simeon J. Maslin

Rabbi's Message

As the school year draws to a close and members of the congregation begin thinking about summer vacations, we find ourselves with a log-jam of events — all of them quite important — between now and the third weekend of June. You will find them all listed in the Coming Events Calendar elsewhere in this issue: the annual Religious School Picnic (on Lag B'Omer this year), a combination Shavuot Service and Sisterhood Luncheon (blintzes, of course), our 123rd Annual Meeting at which the main speaker will be fellow Harvard-Class-of-'52nik, Adlai Stevenson, Confirmation (featuring 13 of the nicest kids it has been your rabbi's pleasure to sit with each Shabbat morning), our campaign for the Jewish United Fund, and, finally, Hebrew School graduation.

It is the next to the last of these coming events to which I want to devote my message this week — J.U.F. You will recall that I was one of 110 rabbis from all over the United States who went on a "mission to Israel" sponsored by the national United Jewish Appeal last January. I left Chicago convinced of the desperate needs of Israel and I returned realizing how little I had really appreciated those needs before seeing the front line bunkers, the kibbutzim under fire, the absorption of immigrants, hospitals, old age homes, etc.

Several weeks ago I got a call from the national office of U.J.A. asking if K.A.M. would be one of about a dozen pilot congregations which would make a serious attempt to achieve 100% participation in the 1970 campaign. I was enthusiastic about the idea and recommended it to our K.A.M.-J.U.F. committee (under the devoted leadership of 'Bud' Orwin and 'Flo' Levy). They too agreed and then, at the last meeting of our Temple Board, we offered a resolution to implement this decision. This resolution was adopted unanimously; its text appears below.

Now that our K.A.M. Arts and Antiquities weekend is over, we can turn our entire attention to the Jewish United Fund, which, as you probably know, combines the needs of our local Jewish charities and the needs of the State of Israel. These needs were never greater. When you are contacted by a member of our Solicitation Committee, please respond generously. If at all possible, increase your donation significantly over the 1969 level.

We are not trying for 100% K.A.M. participation in the 1970 J.U.F. campaign so that we may win some kind of a contest or citation. We are trying because we feel that the Jew who turns his back on the J.U.F. has turned his back on the Jewish people. If the ancient Jewish doctrine of co-responsibility has any meaning today — and I fervently believe that it does — then I have a right to demand that every member of my congregation donate generously to the J.U.F.

Shalom,

Amnon J. Maslin

Rabbi

Resolution on the J.U.F.

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Whereas the Jewish United Fund, in cooperation with the United Israel Appeal and the Israel Emergency Fund, is the primary agency through which we may channel free funds to the State of Israel; and

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Whereas essential defense costs in Israel today are 2½ times higher than they were in 1967 at the height of the Six Day War; and

Whereas K.A.M. Temple is dedicated to the strengthening of our Chicago Jewish community and the creative survival of the State of Israel;

We, the officers, directors and rabbi of K.A.M.

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RABBINICAL ADVISORY COUNCIL
UNITED JEWISH APPEAL

1290 AVENUE OF THE AMERICAS, NEW YORK, N.Y. 10019
PLAZA 7-1500

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Chairman
RABBI DUDLEY WEINBERG
Milwaukee

February, 1971

Director
RABBI EARL A. JORDAN

FOLLOWING TWO-PAGE LETTER SENT TO RABBINICAL MAILING LIST

Dear Colleague:

I wish that it might have been possible for every rabbi in America to attend the recent meeting of the Rabbinical Advisory Council of the United Jewish Appeal. Our sessions lasted for two and a half days and were held on the campus of Brandeis University.

While we faced real problems of *tachlit* (dollars for Israel), we also dealt in depth with one of Israel's major human problems, namely the issue of Arab-Jewish relations. On this subject our thinking was stimulated both by representatives of the Israeli government and by concerned academicians such as Shlomo Avineri, Chairman of the Department of Political Science at the Hebrew University and Nadav Safran, Professor of Government at Harvard and Associate of the Harvard Center for Middle Eastern Studies. Herbert Friedman was at his very best - earthy, informative, helpful and gracious. We took an important step toward the fulfillment of our hope that the United Jewish Appeal become a major source of Jewish thought and ideas as well as the prime collector of funds for Israel.

Our discussions and debates left us with a more profound understanding of Israel's financial crisis and strengthened our resolve to contribute our rabbinical leadership to the resolution of that crisis. In that connection, I earnestly solicit your help in carrying out an effort which has been evolving throughout the past year.

You may have heard of that effort, especially through the dedicated work of our colleague and Executive Director, Rabbi Earl Jordan. It is called "The 100 Per Cent Plan". Put very simply, the "100 Per Cent Plan" calls for a commitment from rabbis and congregational Boards of Trustees to make certain that every member of every congregation contributes to the United Jewish Appeal through his local Federation or Welfare Fund. The following steps are suggested for the enactment of such a commitment.

- (1) A resolution of the Board of Trustees which declares that every member of the congregation ought to be a contributor to the local drive of which the United Jewish Appeal is a beneficiary.

Enclosed are copies of resolutions including some which have been adopted by other congregations. They may be helpful to you.

כל ישראל ערבים זה בזה

- (2) The compilation, if necessary with the aid of the local Federation or Welfare Fund office, of a list of members of the congregation who are non-contributors.
- (3) The organization by the Board of Trustees and with the help of the rabbis of a committee to solicit non-contributors who have previously not been successfully reached through the local drive.

The "100 Per Cent Plan" has been tried experimentally in some forty congregations throughout the country and has met with remarkable success. While new contributors obtained through the plan may not contribute large gifts in every case, the enlargement of the constituency of the local Federation and of the United Jewish Appeal is of paramount importance.

Much depends on the leadership of the rabbi in a matter of this sort. I hope that for the sake of *K'lal Yisrael* you will bring the "100 Per Cent Plan" to the attention of your Board and obtain their enthusiastic ratification of it.

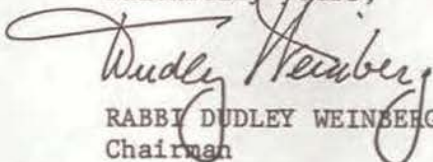
If you feel that a visiting speaker to be presented either to your Board of Trustees or to your entire congregation would be helpful, we will be happy to provide one.

I should appreciate it if you would let me know of your response to our request for your leadership in establishing the "100 Per Cent Plan" in your congregation and of the results which follow.

I will not presume to tell you why this effort is important for the future of Israel and for the morale of our own congregations and communities. If there is any way in which the office of the Rabbinical Advisory Council can be helpful, please do not hesitate to tell us so.

I join my prayers with yours that the months and years which lie ahead may bring just and genuine peace to our people in Israel, to their neighbors and to the world.

Faithfully yours,


RABBI DUDLEY WEINBERG
Chairman

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Encls.

RESOLUTION
of
KESHER ISRAEL CONGREGATION
HARRISBURG, PA.

Rabbi: David Silver

January 24, 1971

WHEREAS the State of Israel is today facing the most serious threat to its survival and to the security of its two and one-half million Jewish inhabitants; and

WHEREAS the people of Israel are being called upon to assume the largest defense budget in their history and a heavier tax burden than the citizens of any other country; and

WHEREAS our destiny as American Jews is inextricably linked to the fate of world Jewry; and

WHEREAS Israel is unable to carry alone the staggering financial burden; and

WHEREAS the American Jews and the Harrisburg Jewish Community is being called upon to provide unprecedented support for Israel; and

WHEREAS membership in a synagogue is a privilege which bears with it a heightened responsibility to our community to Israel, and to our people; and

We therefore Resolve that this Congregation calls upon each of its members to make a contribution, in the greatest amount possible, to the Harrisburg United Jewish Appeal; that such a contribution constitutes a religious act in discharge of each member's obligation to his congregation and to world Jewry.

RESOLUTION
of
TEMPLE MENORAH
MIAMI, FLA.

Rabbi: Mayer Abramowitz

October 4, 1970

RESPONDING to the call of Israel, in this year of its grave crisis,
and

RECOGNIZING the true spiritual bonds which exist between members of
Temple Menorah and the State of Israel, and

HEARKENING to the call of Israel's Prime Minister, Golda Meir, for
a doubled effort to increase the financial support of Israel through
the United Jewish Appeal, the Board of Directors of Temple Menorah
herewith resolves

THAT a requisite for membership in Temple Menorah shall be a donation
to the Israel Emergency Fund - Federation Campaign, and thus symboli-
zing the fact that being a member of Temple Menorah places responsibi-
lities of support for Israel upon each member.

This resolution will be forwarded both to the National United Jewish
Appeal and to the Greater Miami Jewish Federation in order to imple-
ment this resolution by appropriate billing and effective solicitations
of all members of Temple Menorah.

RESOLUTION
of
K.A.M. TEMPLE
CHICAGO, ILL.

Rabbi: Simeon J. Maslin

May 6, 1970

Whereas the Jewish United Fund of Chicago is the main source of support for child care, education, social welfare, immigrant aid, hospitals and old age homes in our Jewish community; and

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Whereas the State of Israel is today threatened with a second Holocaust by the 14 hostile Arab States that surround her; and

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Whereas essential defense costs in Israel today are 2-1/2 times higher than they were in 1967 at the height of the Six Day War; and

Whereas K.A.M. Temple is dedicated to the strengthening of our Chicago Jewish community and the creative survival of the State of Israel;

We, the officers, directors and rabbi of K.A.M. Temple, do at our meeting of May 6, 1970, resolve that we shall strive to make our J.U.F. campaign this year the most successful in our history. Believing that every Jew worthy of the name is responsible for the welfare of every other Jew, we do further resolve that we shall increase our own contributions to the J.U.F. and shall attempt to elicit contributions from every member of K.A.M. Temple this year. It is our firm conviction that every member of our congregation has the sacred obligation to contribute significantly to the J.U.F., and in this spirit we do unanimously adopt this resolution.

RESOLUTION
of
CONGREGATION B'NAI JACOB
CHARLESTON, W. VA.

Rabbi: Samuel Cooper

November 24, 1970

WHEREAS the State of Israel is today facing the most serious threat to its survival and to the security of its two and a half million Jewish inhabitants; and

WHEREAS the people of Israel are being called upon to assume the largest defense budget in their history and a heavier tax burden than the citizens of any other country; and

WHEREAS this staggering load makes it utterly impossible for them to carry the additional burden of the humanitarian needs of current and previous newcomers to the land; and

WHEREAS the Charleston Jewish community endeavors to contribute its fair share to meet the costs of these humanitarian needs through the Charleston Federated Jewish Charities, Inc; and, furthermore,

WHEREAS the Federated Jewish Charities is the main source of our community's support of approximately forty other local and national causes: family need, education, social welfare, defense of our rights, old age homes, youth work, aid to transients, etc., and

WHEREAS the destiny of American Jews is inextricably linked to the fate of world Jewry; and

WHEREAS membership in a synagogue is a privilege which bears with it a heightened sense of responsibility toward our people everywhere: in Israel, at home and abroad,

BE IT, THEREFORE, RESOLVED that we, the officers and members of the Board of Trustees of the B'nai Jacob Congregation of Charleston, West Virginia, deem it the bounden duty and obligation of each and every member of the B'nai Jacob Congregation to contribute, in accordance with his means, to the Charleston Federated Jewish Charities, Inc. and urge the participation of 100% of our membership in the annual campaign.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this resolution, upon adoption, be entered upon the minutes of the Board of Trustees and be mailed to the membership of the B'nai Jacob Congregation.

RESOLUTION
of the
RABBINICAL ASSOCIATION OF GREATER MIAMI
Meeting of Rabbis and Congregational Presidents
of Synagogues and Temples of Greater Miami Area

December, 1970

We, the spiritual and lay leadership of the Greater Miami Synagogue community, having met in an extraordinary session, and having reviewed with one another the crisis with which the State of Israel and the Jewish people is confronted, do affirm:

1. That our destiny as American Jews is inextricably linked to the fate of Israel and world Jewry;
2. That our attachment to the synagogue emphasizes our loyalty to all of the Jewish people;
3. That membership in the synagogue is a privilege which bears with it a heightened sense of responsibility toward our people and our community.

Then be it resolved that we call upon all the Temples and Synagogues in the Greater Miami area to take those steps that they deem necessary to aim for the participation of 100% of their respective membership in the General Miami Jewish Federation's 1971 campaign of the Combined Jewish Appeal-Israel Emergency Fund.

RESOLUTION
of the
WASHINGTON BOARD OF RABBIS
WASHINGTON, D.C.

November 12, 1970

The Washington Board of Rabbis, having reviewed the crisis with which the State of Israel and the Jewish people are confronted, do affirm:

1. That our destiny as American Jews is inextricably linked to the fate of world Jewry;
2. That our attachment to the synagogue is a reflection of our loyalty and concern for all of the Jewish people;
3. That the membership in the synagogue is a privilege which bears with it a sense of responsibility toward our people and our community;
4. And that therefore we regard a contribution to the United Jewish Appeal as, in effect, evidence of membership in the Jewish people.

We therefore resolve to urge upon the administration of our respective synagogues that they crosscheck their membership lists with the contributors' list of the United Jewish Appeal, and that they take steps to affirm a policy that will regard a contribution to the United Jewish Appeal, of whatever amount, as a condition of membership in the synagogue.

We urge this policy upon synagogues and upon other organizations. If all of us act together, we shall give meaning to the affirmation of our prayers.

UNANIMOUSLY AFFIRMED
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RESOLUTION
UNANIMOUSLY ADOPTED BY
MARYLAND REGION OF THE RABBINICAL COUNCIL OF AMERICA
AND
BALTIMORE BOARD OF RABBIS

December 14, 1970

We, the Rabbis of metropolitan Baltimore, fully understanding the critical situation of the people of Israel today, affirm that it is the obligation of each congregation to assure a contribution from every member to the Campaign of the Associated Jewish Charities and Welfare Fund.

Recognizing that the future of Baltimore Jewry is inextricably linked to the fate of world Jewry and that the ability of the people of Israel to survive is now being tested as never before, we hereby affirm:

1. That it is the obligation of every Jew to contribute to the Campaign of the Associated Jewish Charities and Welfare Fund.
2. That it is the obligation of each congregation to assume responsibility for assuring the complete participation of its membership in the Campaign by establishing a committee for that purpose.

RESOLUTION
of
RARITAN COUNTY, N.J.
(New Brunswick)

December 10, 1970

Having reviewed the crisis with which the State of Israel and the Jewish people are confronted, we do affirm:

1. That our destiny as American Jews is linked to the fate of world Jewry;
2. That our attachment to the synagogue is a reflection of our loyalty to and concern for all of the Jewish people;
3. That membership in the synagogue is a privilege which bears with it a sense of responsibility toward our people and our community;
4. And that every synagogue member, as an expression of his sense of responsibility for the Jewish People and as an expression of his support of the value system represented by the synagogue, should view a gift to the Federation-United Jewish Appeal as his sacred obligation.

We therefore urge the leadership of our congregations to take steps to affirm a policy that will regard a contribution to the Federation-United Jewish Appeal, of whatever amount, as a religious act which makes meaningful membership in the synagogue.

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April 13, 1971

Rabbi Seymour Friedman
National Foundation for Jewish Culture
122 East 42nd Street
New York, New York 10017

Dear Rabbi Friedman:

Herbert asked me to respond to your note and to thank you for taking the time to write. We both appreciate your comments about our U.J.A. program for the Rabbinical Assembly and I know that Herbert was pleased by your reaction to the way in which he chaired our meeting in Afula. I must tell you that my estimate of that circumstance is identical to yours.

With every good wish for a *Chag Sameach V'kasher*, I am

Cordially yours,

Rabbi Earl A. Jordan

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March, 1971

SYNAGOGUES WHO HAVE APPROVED THE 100% PLAN

<u>SYNAGOGUE</u>	<u>CHAIRMAN</u>	<u>PRESIDENT</u>	<u>RABBI</u>
Bayside Jewish Center	Sanford Schwartz	Isadore Levy	
Beth David Cong. Lynbrook	Arthur Kain	Philip Leit	Pesach Kraus
Bethpage Jewish Center	Leonard Ginsberg	Leon Goldstein	Kenneth Poplac
Cong. Beth Sholom, Mineola	Samuel Michaelson	David Brookin	Irving Rockhof
Cong. Beth Sholom, Lawrence	Martin Rosen	Harry Liman	Dr. Gilbert Klayer
Brooklyn Jewish Center	Lawrence Meyer (Rabbi Levinthal will bring it to board's attention.)	Emanuel Cohen	Israel Levintl
B. cherhood Syn, N.Y.	Harry Treu and Al Fried	Leon Brody	Irving Bloch
Flushing Jewish Center	Ed Seligman	Julian Steuer	Paul Hait
Ft. Tryon Jewish Center	Harold Abramowitz	Maurice Cohen	Jacob Goldb Meyer Mille
Garden City Jewish Center	S. Eckstein & A. Frank	Henry Shays	
Garden Jewish Center, Flushing	Jacob Held	David Hollander	Martin Applbau
Hebrew Inst. of University Hts. Bronx	Eli Cowoff	Frederick Katz	Maurice Laam 340 E. 64 St 833-LCIB David Friedbe
Jacob H. Schiff Center Bronx	Leon K. Stupell	AL Gelfand	David Friedbe 2430 Grand Conve N.Y.C. 10458
T. Jewish Center, N.Y.	Morris Green	Max Stern	Leo Jung/Normal
Jewish Cater of Baldwin	Martin Brodie	Martin Brodie	Dr. Stanley Wagne
Jewish Center of Highbridge Bronx	N. Richman	Ira Pitkowsky	Nathan Tarag
Jewish Community Center of W. Hempstead	Harry Williams	Nat Tollner	Abraham Moses
Cong. Kneses Tifereth Israel PortChester	Harry Tanchum & Mrs. Irving Walt	Morris Goldman	Joseph Spei.
Lido Beach Jewish Center	Alvin Gorin	Al Gorin	
North Shore Jewish Center East Setauket	Mrs. Leon Remz	Henry Kanowitz	William Leber
Oceanside Jewish Center	Mr. Herbert Polow	Ieo Schwartz	Gilbert Rosentl
Oyster Bay Jewish Center	Jack Bernstein	Melvin Rudnitsky	Samuel Pres.
Ozone Park Jewish Center	Murray Freiwald	William Herskowitz	

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Temple Beth-El
Cedarhurst

Philip Wiesel & Irving
Schneider

William Alpert *Edward Sandr*

Temple Beth-El, Bellmore

Seymour Riege

Manny Korman *Nathan Rosenbar*

Temple B'nai Israel, Elmont

Ben Brody

Leo Schulman *Alan Sokobin*

Temple Gates of Prayer
Flushing

Harry Schneider

Milton Sokol *Samuel Schaffl*

Temple Hillel, N. Woodmere

Ben Eisenman & Sol Matsil

Rubin Zelenko

Temple Sinai of Roslyn

Jool Price

Justin Cogut *Norman Mahan*

Zichron Moshe, N.Y.

Julius Neumann

William Willner *Dr. Julius Neuma*

First Hebrew cong. of Peekskill

(Rabbi G. Rozwaski will bring it to
board's attention) --
Dr. Harry Kichman

James Fredorick *Chaim Rozwas*

Cong. Sons of Israel, Woodmere

Irving Mender

Al Finkel *Saul I. Toplit*

Kehilath Jeshurun, N.Y.

E. David Rosen

Harry Baumgarten *Joseph Cocher*
Hazel Cocher

Zichron Ephraim

Max Steinberg

Kehillath Sholom, Cold Spring Harbor

C. Ballaban

G. Blumenthal

Metropolitan Syn.

(Rabbi Cahn)

Earnie Brody *Dr. Judah Ca*

Lake Success Jewish Center

Alex Rubin

Morris Bauman

Cong. Tree of Life, Valley Stream

Abe Rothstein & Andre
Lichtman

Ira Wexner *Bertram Leff*

Jericho Jewish Center

A. Sidney Hausman

Harry Etkin *Stanley Steinh*

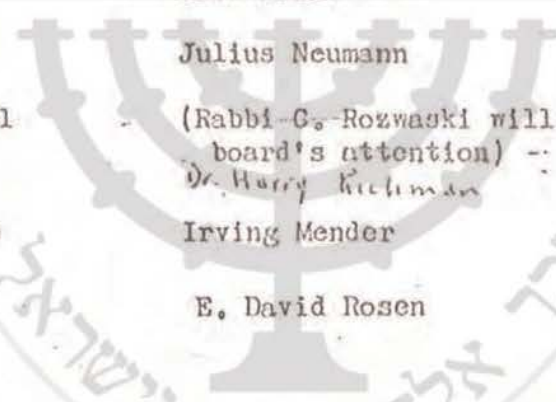
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MEMORANDUM

Date April 23, 1971

To Executive and Field Staffs

From Irving Bernstein

Rabbinical Advisory Council

Subject Congregational Project - 100% Plan

Following is an up-to-date list of communities, Boards of Rabbis, and congregations that have passed Resolutions:

Communities - (Rabbis and lay leaders of synagogues)

- Atlantic County, N. J.
- Cleveland, Ohio
- Harrisburg, Pa.
- Kansas City, Mo.
- Miami, Fla.
- Raritan County, N. J.
- St. Louis, Mo.
- Southern Fairfield County, Conn.
- Seattle, Wash.
- Hartford, Conn.

Boards of Rabbis

- Baltimore, Md.
- Connecticut Valley Rabbinical Assembly
- Denver, Colo.
- Essex County, N. J.
- Jacksonville, Fla.
- Washington, D. C.
- New York, N. Y.
- San Diego, Calif.
- Buffalo, N. Y.
- * Atlanta, Ga.

** Congregations (Synagogues)

- Beth Jacob
- B'nai Tikvah
- Beth Am
- Sinai Temple
- Beth Israel
- Emanu El
- Hebrew Educational Alliance
- Beth Joseph
- Temple Emanuel

Rabbis

- Dolgin
- Bornstein
- Pressman
- Silverman
- Goor
- Feldheym
- Laderman
- Goldberger
- Stone

Community

- Beverly Hills, Calif.
- Los Angeles, Calif.
- Los Angeles, Calif.
- Los Angeles, Calif.
- San Diego, Calif.
- San Bernardino, Calif.
- Denver, Colo.
- Denver, Colo.
- Denver, Colo.

<u>Congregations (Synagogues)</u>	<u>Rabbi</u>	<u>Community</u>
Agudath Shalom	Ehrenkranz	Stamford, Conn.
Temple Sinai	S. Silver	Stamford, Conn.
Beth El	Heckelman	Waterbury, Conn.
Beth El	Spielman	New London, Conn.
Temple Israel	Rubenstein	Westport, Conn.
Temple Shalom	Lantz	Norwalk, Conn.
* Temple Shalom	Thomson	Greenwich, Conn.
* Adas Kodesh Shel Emeth	Gewirtz	Wilmington, Dela.
Temple Menorah	Abramowitz	Miami, Fla.
Liberal Judaism	Halpern	Orlando, Fla.
Ohev Shalom	Adler	Orlando, Fla.
Temple Israel	Kirshblum	Orlando, Fla.
Jacksonville Jewish Center	Elkins	Jacksonville, Fla.
Ezras Israel	Kaganoff	Chicago, Ill.
K.A.M. Temple	Maslin	Chicago, Ill.
Ezra Cong.	Sud	Chicago, Ill.
Habonim	Rubinger	Chicago, Ill.
* Beth El	Rosenstock	South Bend, Ind.
* Temple Beth El	Levenson	Overland Park, Kans.
Har Sinai	Shusterman	Baltimore, Md.
Adath Yeshurun	Shafran	Baltimore, Md.
Beth Isaac	Poliakoff	Baltimore, Md.
Beth Israel	Essrog	Randallstown, Md.
Beth Jacob	Miller	Baltimore, Md.
Beth Yehuda	Pearlmutter	Randallstown, Md.
B'nai Jacob	Baumgarten	Baltimore, Md.
Baltimore Hebrew Cong.	Goldstein	Baltimore, Md.
Beth Tfiloh	Rosenblatt	Baltimore, Md.
Chizuk Amuno	Goldman	Baltimore, Md.
Har Zion	Bak	Baltimore, Md.
Moses Montefiore	Fink	Baltimore, Md.
Greenspring Valley	Leibowitz	Baltimore, Md.
Greengate	Shapiro	Baltimore, Md.
Shaarei Tfiloh	Gevantman	Baltimore, Md.
Shaarei Zion	Tabak	Baltimore, Md.
Temple Emanuel	Buchdahl	Baltimore, Md.
Ohev Shalom	Shaw	Baltimore, Md.
Zera Israel	Fischer	Baltimore, Md.
Ohr Knesseth Israel	Green	Baltimore, Md.
Beth Elohim	Blumberg	Wellesley Hills, Mass.
* Temple Mishkan Tefila	Kazis	Chestnut Hill, Mass.
* Knesses Israel	Shanblatt	Pittsfield, Mass.
* Young Israel of Oak Park	Gordon	Oak Park, Mich.
Temple Israel	Shapiro	Minneapolis, Minn.
B'nai El	Klausner	St. Louis, Mo.
Temple Emanuel	Rosenbloom	St. Louis, Mo.
Temple Israel	Rubin	St. Louis, Mo.
Tpheris Israel	Polin	St. Louis, Mo.
Shaare Emeth	Nodel	St. Louis, Mo.
Highland Park Conserv. Temple	Hilsenrath	Highland Park, N. J.
Anshe Emeth	Fields	New Brunswick, N. J.
Anshe Emeth	Maza	South River, N. J.
Ohav Emeth	Kaminetsky	Highland Park, N. J.
* Temple Sharey Shalom	Shapiro	Springfield, N. J.

<u>Congregations (Synagogues)</u>	<u>Rabbi</u>	<u>Community</u>
Temple Society of Concord	Levy	Syracuse, N. Y.
* Temple Beth Zion	Goldberg	Buffalo, N. Y.
* Temple Sinai	Herzog	Buffalo, N. Y.
Adath Israel	Goldfeder	Cincinnati, Ohio
Fairmount Temple	Lelyveld	Cleveland, Ohio
Tifereth Israel	Zelizer	Columbus, Ohio
Temple Israel	Folkman	Columbus, Ohio
* B'nai Israel	Goldberg	Toledo, Ohio
Neveh Shalom	Stampfer	Portland, Ore.
Beth Israel	Rose	Portland, Ore.
Kesher Israel	D. Silver	Harrisburg, Pa.
Degel Israel	Dattelkramer	Lancaster, Pa.
Shaarei Shomayim	Shain	Lancaster, Pa.
* Beth Emeth	Panitz	Philadelphia, Pa.
* Temple Beth El	Rosenfeld	Lancaster, Pa.
* Jewish Cong. of Oak Ridge	Marcus	Oak Ridge, Tenn.
* Temple Emanuel	Berlin	Roanoke, Va.
Temple Emanu-El	Kahn	Houston, Texas.
B'nai Jacob	Cooper	Charleston, W. Va.
Temple Emanu-El B'ne Jeshurun	Weinberg	Milwaukee, Wisc.
Cong. Shalom	Pastor	Milwaukee, Wisc.

(There are a total of 84 congregations.)

* Denotes congregations added since our last memo dated March 16, 1971.

** Rabbi Charles Davidson reports that there are 45 congregations in Greater New York City that have passed similar resolutions. See list attached.

MEMORANDUM

Date March 30, 1971

To Executives and Field Staff
Rabbinical Advisory Council

From Rabbi Earl A. Jordan

Subject

20 Adar 5731

AS I SEE IT

We are now in the midst of our campaign for the United Jewish Welfare Fund/Israel Emergency Fund. Since we, like Jewish communities throughout the world, have doubled our campaign goal for 1971, in light of Israel's great needs, it is logical and natural that to meet that goal as many people as possible will have to double their gifts. Jacksonville has one of the lowest per capita gift rates in the country. It simply *will not do* to repeat last year's pledge if Israel is to survive, and if Jacksonville is to change its unfortunate reputation as a stingy community. Those who wish to see that their increased pledge goes directly to Israel have the option of designating most or all of their increase to the Israel Emergency Fund, which goes *entirely* to Israel, with not one penny kept for overhead, local or national needs (which are also important and should not be neglected).

The theme for this year's UJA drive is "Survival Means Sacrifice." To be honest about it, I don't think anyone in our community will have to make any sacrifice at all to double their last year's gift. However, if it does mean sacrifice, then sacrifice we must, for the sake of Israel's survival.

I am proud beyond words at the resolution passed last Thursday night at the meeting of our Board of Directors, printed elsewhere in this Bulletin. Any Center member who gives ZERO to this campaign should expect a personal call from me, because I love my congregation too much to have to be a named one of its members. Let's have 100% participation in this great mitzvah.

4-17-71 Faithfully,
Dov Peretz Elkins,
Rabbi

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS the State of Israel is today facing the most serious threat to its survival and to the security of its two and one-half million Jewish inhabitants; and WHEREAS the people of Israel are being called upon to assume the largest defense budget in their history and a heavier tax burden than the citizens of any other country; and WHEREAS our destiny as American Jews is inextricably linked to the fate of world Jewry; and WHEREAS Israel is unable to carry alone the staggering financial burden; and WHEREAS the American Jewry and the Jacksonville Jewish Community are being called upon to provide unprecedented support for Israel; and WHEREAS membership in a synagogue bears with it a heightened responsibility to our community, to Israel, and to our people; We therefore Resolve that this Congregation calls upon each of its members to make a contribution, in the greatest amount possible, to the Jacksonville United Jewish Welfare Fund - Israel Emergency Fund; that such a contribution constitutes a religious act in discharge of each member's obligation to his congregation and to world Jewry.

I thought that you would want to see the above. The underlined portion of Rabbi Elkins' comment is really quite touching. This is precisely the kind of attitude that we are trying to generate within the American rabbinate.

Rabbi Elkins is Rabbi of the Jacksonville Jewish Center, Jacksonville, Fla.

RABBINICAL ADVISORY COUNCIL MEETING

TUESDAY, APRIL 28, 1971

PARK SYNAGOGUE - CLEVELAND, OHIO

The following were present:

*Rabbi Joseph Ehrenkranz
*Rabbi David Golovensky
*Rabbi Edward T. Sandrow
*Rabbi Dudley Weinberg
*Rabbi Arnold J. Wolf

Rabbi Gustav Buchdahl
Rabbi Armond E. Cohen
Rabbi Dov Elkins
Rabbi James Gordon
Rabbi Robert A. Hammer
Rabbi A. Joseph Heckelman
Rabbi Arthur Dov Kahn
Rabbi Abraham Karp
Rabbi Manuel Laderman
Rabbi Max Nussbaum
Rabbi Stanley S. Rabinowitz
Rabbi Daniel Silver
Rabbi Hillel El Silverman
Rabbi Harold P. Smith
Rabbi Shubert Spero
Rabbi Frank Stern

Rabbinical Association Executives:

Rabbi Paul Dubin
Rabbi Solomon Schiff

Staff:

Rabbi Earl A. Jordan
Miss Lynn Gilbert
Rabbi Matthew H. Simon
Rabbi Charles Davidson
Mr. Irving Friedman

*Steering Committee

Opening remarks by Rabbi Dudley Weinberg, Chairman,

The RAC should have an influence on the UJA which we hope to make more than simply a cash register. Past programs of the RAC, particularly within the last two years, have been effective. UJA must reach young people. It is important as the only major Jewish organization which overflows the boundaries between the three denominational groups.

AGENDA:

1. Advisability of another Rabbinical Mission under UJA auspices. There was discussion of the success of the two previous Missions, as well as of the reasons for the cancellation of the third. The UJA Rabbinical Missions held in 1968 and 1969 both involved subsidies by UJA. In 1970, the RAC recommended that a subsidy not be made. In the end, the Mission was cancelled because of a paucity in the response.

Rabbi Weinberg raised the question of the morality and the practical value of subsidies for participants in the 1971 - 1972 Mission, if we decide to have one. He recommended the following composition for such a Mission:

- a. Members of the Steering Committee who will pay the full cost of the Mission (they will accept no subsidy).
- b. Selected rabbis who have exercised leadership in their communities (particularly on behalf of UJA and Israel.)
- c. Those rabbis selected because they are in positions of potential influence in their communities, but who have not used this potential on behalf of the UJA.

It was thought that a good time for such a Mission would be either fall of 1971 or early winter of 1971 or 1972 (December or January).

A question was raised as to the criteria for success applied to the previous Rabbinical Missions. Rabbi Weinberg enumerated increased individual contributions to UJA by those who participated as well as increased commitments to Israel and involvement in the UJA campaigns upon the rabbis' return to their communities. Rabbi Jordan commented the the figures for the last Rabbinical Mission showed about a 60% increase in giving.

Rabbi Weinberg indicated that he foresaw difficulties about the selection process but that this is unavoidable.

MOTION: There was a motion by Rabbi Armond E. Cohen to the effect that the Steering Committee of the RAC should organize a Mission to be composed of members of the Steering Committee as well as those others for whom the Committee deems it valuable to go. Motion was seconded by Rabbi David Golovensky.

Rabbi Jordan proposed amending the motion to say that it would be an RAC Mission rather than a Steering Committee Mission.

Rabbi Cohen recalled his motion and rephrased it to say that the "RAC should be willing to plan the next Rabbinical Mission incorporating the ideas and suggestions that have been discussed."

The motion was passed by a unanimous vote.

MOTION: Rabbi Cohen moved that "UJA should make available a sum which will make it possible to subsidize those who would otherwise be unable to make the trip." The motion was seconded.

Rabbi Rabinowitz proposed that the motion be amended to provide a subsidy of 50% of the Mission cost across the board for all participants. Motion was seconded by Rabbi Schiff. The vote was nine for, nine against. After further discussion another vote was taken. Results were 10 for and 10 against.

Rabbi Weinberg then cast the deciding vote for the motion. He stated that this does not prevent anyone that feels that he neither needs nor wants the subsidy from paying the whole amount himself.

Rabbi Daniel Silver requested that he be recorded as opposed to the motion.

Rabbi Weinberg indicated that the value of the Mission will depend upon its itinerary. He will ask that the itinerary be expanded to include meetings with moral and spiritual leadership as well as with political and military personnel. Rabbi Jordan commented that this had been done with the last Mission and that the program was very well received by those who participated in it.

II. UJA involvement in congregational trips to Israel. There are two possibilities for UJA content in congregational trips to Israel. One would be to include a UJA day in a regular itinerary of the congregational trip. The second would be to have the UJA sponsor an "Operation Israel" for congregational groups.

MOTION: A Motion was made by Rabbi Rabinowitz to the effect that the RAC look into the possibility of a UJA sponsored trip for congregations. The UJA would plan the itinerary, chose the guides, plan a program and would be responsible for all details in Israel. The cost of the trip would be approximately equal to the typical congregational tour of Israel but would include the items of particular interest to UJA. The motion was seconded by Rabbi Gustav Buchdahl. The motion passed unanimously.

III. Scandal of Rabbinic giving. Rabbi Weinberg said that there is a scandal regarding the low level of rabbinic giving to UJA. The Steering Committee of the RAC recommends that rabbis be solicited in their local communities exactly as laymen are.

Rabbi Dov Elkins suggested that rather than this, rabbis should perfect their solicitation of other rabbis. Rabbi Max Nussbaum said that for rabbis to be solicited by laymen is an admission of a great moral weakness among rabbis. Rabbi Simon suggested that all rabbis be rated for their potential to give and then be solicited either nationally, in the case of big gifts, or locally by other rabbis.

MOTION: Rabbi Daniel Jeremy Silver moved that the RAC recommends that rabbis should be solicited in their own communities by laymen. The motion was defeated.

MOTION: Rabbi Robert Hammer moved that in order to increase the level of rabbinic giving, the "RAC should set up a formula which it urges Board of Rabbis and national rabbinic bodies to use as minimum standards of giving to UJA which they would then be in a position to require of their members." The motion was seconded by Rabbi Nussbaum. The motion passed unanimously.

MOTION: Rabbi Hammer further moved that the RAC form a committee to solicit big gifts from the American rabbinate on a national level. The motion was seconded by Rabbi Nussbaum and passed by unanimous vote.

From 12:00 noon to 2:15 P.M., the RAC adjourned for lunch arranged by Rabbi Cohen.

IV. The 100% Plan. Rabbi Jordan reported that 84 synagogues "chootz New York" and 44 in New York has have passed resolutions in support of the 100% Plan. Rabbi Jordan described the genesis of the Plan and included in his description a catalogue of the letters sent by Rabbi Weinberg and by Rabbi Jordan to the American rabbinate in connection with it.

Rabbi Rabinowitz recommended that more attention and credit be given to the smaller giver to UJA rather than exclusively to big givers. He suggested that when well-known Israelis are in a community, rather than their speaking only to a small group of big givers at a parlor meeting and then leaving town, advantage should be taken of their presence to speak to the general Jewish community. One appropriate setting for such a community-wide presentation would be the sabbath services of a synagogue. Rabbi Jordan responded by saying that since the primary function of UJA is to raise money, the emphasis on the big giver is quite understandable and the Speakers Bureau of UJA would be hesitant to tire visiting dignitaries by using them so frequently in communities that they would be unable to speak to other small groups in still other communities. Rabbi Jordan also pointed out that if a man were able to come to a large community meeting to hear a man, he might be less willing to make the kind of contribution required of him in order to attend a small parlor meeting. Rabbi Jordan admitted that the general community, particularly the synagogue community, was not being given the opportunity to present these outstanding Israelis as it should. He promised to raise the matter with the Executive Chairman.

There was a comment that the 100% Plan should be made stronger by including sanctions for members of congregations who do not give.

Rabbi Frank Stern urged using members of the RAC to call rabbis in their own areas.

Rabbi Weinberg stated that person-to-person contact is essential. This will be effected by means of conference telephone calls which will be arranged. Rabbis who are called will be urged only to pass resolutions endorsing giving to UJA as a "mitzvah" but not as a requirement for membership. It should be understood that passing such a resolution is only a first step.

V. Text on the subject of the relationship of Am Yisrael to Eretz Yisrael.

It had been suggested that the RAC produce a book or pamphlet dealing with this subject. Rabbi Weinberg mentioned that there is a new book entitled "Encounter with Israel" by Alice and Roy Eckardt which seems to treat it thoroughly and very well. The book is about 350 pages in length. Maybe the RAC could create a study guide for this book. One or two of the members of the RAC could be responsible for writing it and it could be published by the UJA. It was noted that there seems to be a significant "hunger" on the part of American Jews to know about the history of Zionism.

Another book mentioned was "The Case for Israel" by Frank Gervasi as well as a pamphlet of about 60 pages which is being published by B'nai B'rith in about a month.

MOTION: Rabbi Cohen proposed that a committee be formed to study the available literature, to make recommendations on material to be published, and if appropriate - to prepare materials. The motion was seconded by Rabbi Sandrow. Rabbi Arnold Wolf added to the motion that Hebrew literature that might be translated into English also be reviewed. The motion was carried unanimously.

VI. RAC member's gifts to UJA. Rabbi Golovensky stated that in order to give meaning to what they were urging others to do, and to serve as an example, the members of the RAC present at this meeting should announce their own gifts to UJA. Led by Rabbi Golovensky, other members of the RAC announced their gifts. Others wrote pledges on cards which they handed to Rabbi Weinberg. Rabbi Weinberg stated that he was grateful for this response.

VII. Courses on UJA and related agencies currently being taught at rabbinical schools. Rabbi Jordan reported on a course which he is giving to senior students at the Hebrew Union College - Jewish Institute of Religion in New York City. It is a luncheon seminar of two hours per week for a period of seven weeks. During four of the seven sessions, there were guest speakers: Rabbi Marc Tannenbaum of the American Jewish Committee, Rabbi Balfore Brickner of the U.A.H.C.

and Rabbi Herbert A. Friedman of the United Jewish Appeal. Rabbi Arthur Lelyveld of the American Jewish Congress was invited but was not able to make himself available. The purpose of the course was to make rabbinical students aware of the existence and work of Jewish organizations outside the framework of the synagogue.

Rabbi Matthew Simon reported that he had given one lecture in Rabbi Wolf Kelman's regular course for seniors on "The Institutions of the American Jewish Community." This course is taught at the Jewish Theological Seminary and Rabbi Simon reported that many of the students were unfamiliar with the agencies which are the beneficiaries of the United Jewish Appeal.

Rabbi Jordan reported that he was scheduled to meet with the senior students for one session in Cincinnati late in May.

It was felt that it is important to make this a part of the curriculum for senior rabbinical students in every institution for rabbinical training.

VIII. Talk by Muki Tzur. The transcript of Muki Tzur's talk at the Near East Seminar will not be circulated. Tapes of his talk are available from Rabbi Jordan.

VIII. Commendations. Rabbi Paul Dubin congratulated the Rabbinical Advisory Council for the excellent material which it has been sending out. Rabbi Weinberg commended Rabbi Golovensky for the position which he took in declaring his gift to the United Jewish Appeal and the others for their response to Rabbi Golovensky's gesture.

X. Subject of the next RAC meeting. Rabbi Weinberg quoted Rabbi Irving Lehrman (who was not present) as objecting strenuously to the RAC meeting away from the UJA National Conference as had been the custom in the past. It was felt, however, that it is easier for most rabbis to meet on a week-day rather than on a week-end and that it is less distracting to meet somewhere outside of New York City.

The following subjects were suggested for coming RAC meetings:

1. Rabbi Rabinowitz - "The relation of Israel to the Diaspora".
2. Rabbi Laderman - "Our relationships with the Christian churches".
3. Rabbi Nussbaum - Endorsed the suggestion of Rabbi Laderman. He also suggested that views held by Israelis that are "nonestablishment" be discussed. He offered as an example the philosophy of

Mapam.

4. Rabbi Wolf - "The Halachic view of Eretz Yisrael".
5. Rabbi Ehrenkranz - "Aliyah and its problems".

Rabbi Jordan suggested that the next meeting might be scheduled just before or after the Rabbinical Mission.

Rabbi Weinberg suggested combining the topics of Rabbis Wolf and Nussbaum (numbers 3 and 4). He stressed the importance of being able to talk to young people on the full spectrum of political and philosophical views and not just on the "establishment" position.

Rabbi Stern felt that such a short session should be devoted to one topic only. He preferred the one proposed by Rabbi Nussbaum.

It was agreed to leave the decision on date, place and topic of the next meeting to Rabbi Dudley Weinberg and the Steering Committee. The meeting adjourned at 4:00 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

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Executive & Public Relations Directors


Re: Rabbinical Advisory Council
Congregational Project - 100% Plan

Gentlemen:

The attached release concerning the success of the Rabbinical Advisory Council's "100% Plan" will be mailed to your local Anglo-Jewish papers in a few days. We are alerting you to this fact so that in the interim you may contact these papers and urge them to interview a local rabbi whose synagogue has endorsed the plan. We have provided a list of the rabbis and synagogues which have participated in the different communities.

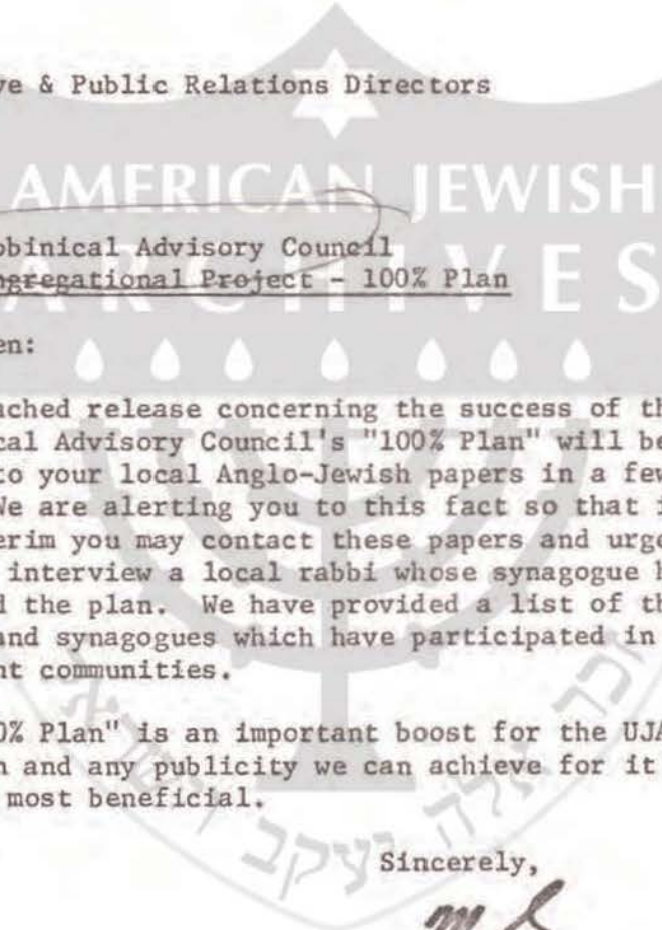
The "100% Plan" is an important boost for the UJA Campaign and any publicity we can achieve for it will be most beneficial.

Sincerely,


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MEMORANDUM

Subject Rabbinical Advisory Council
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Following is an up-to-date list of communities, Boards of Rabbis, and congregations that have passed Resolutions:

Communities - (Rabbis and lay leaders of synagogues)

Atlantic County, N. J.
Cleveland, Ohio
Harrisburg, Pa.
Kansas City, Mo.
Miami, Fla.
Raritan County, N. J.
St. Louis, Mo.
Southern Fairfield County, Conn.
Seattle, Wash.
Hartford, Conn.

Boards of Rabbis

Baltimore, Md.
Connecticut Valley Rabbinical Assembly
Denver, Colo.
Essex County, N. J.
Jacksonville, Fla.
Washington, D. C.
New York, N. Y.
San Diego, Calif.
Buffalo, N. Y.
* Atlanta, Ga.

** Congregations (Synagogues)

Beth Jacob
B'nai Tikvah
Beth Am
Sinai Temple
Beth Israel
Emanu El
Hebrew Educational Alliance
Beth Joseph
Temple Emanuel

Rabbis

Dolgin
Bornstein
Pressman
Silverman
Goor
Feldheim
Laderman
Goldberger
Stone

Community

Beverly Hills, Calif.
Los Angeles, Calif.
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Los Angeles, Calif.
San Diego, Calif.
San Bernardino, Calif.
Denver, Colo.
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<u>Congregations (Synagogues)</u>	<u>Rabbi</u>	<u>Community</u>
Agudath Shalom	Ehrenkranz	Stamford, Conn.
Temple Sinai	S. Silver	Stamford, Conn.
Beth El	Heckelman	Waterbury, Conn.
Beth El	Spielman	New London, Conn.
Temple Israel	Rubenstein	Westport, Conn.
Temple Shalom	Lantz	Norwalk, Conn.
* Temple Shalom	Thomson	Greenwich, Conn.
* Adas Kodesh Shel Emeth	Gewirtz	Wilmington, Dela.
Temple Menorah	Abramowitz	Miami, Fla.
Liberal Judaism	Halpern	Orlando, Fla.
Ohev Shalom	Adler	Orlando, Fla.
Temple Israel	Kirshblum	Orlando, Fla.
Jacksonville Jewish Center	Elkins	Jacksonville, Fla.
Ezras Israel	Kaganoff	Chicago, Ill.
K.A.M. Temple	Maslin	Chicago, Ill.
Ezra Cong.	Sud	Chicago, Ill.
Habonim	Rubinger	Chicago, Ill.
* Beth El	Rosenstock	South Bend, Ind.
* Temple Beth El	Levenson	Overland Park, Kans.
Har Sinai	Shusterman	Baltimore, Md.
Adath Yeshurun	Shafran	Baltimore, Md.
Beth Isaac	Poliakoff	Baltimore, Md.
Beth Israel	Essrog	Randallstown, Md.
Beth Jacob	Miller	Baltimore, Md.
Beth Yehuda	Pearlmutter	Randallstown, Md.
B'nai Jacob	Baumgarten	Baltimore, Md.
Baltimore Hebrew Cong.	Goldstein	Baltimore, Md.
Beth Tfiloh	Rosenblatt	Baltimore, Md.
Chizuk Amuno	Goldman	Baltimore, Md.
Har Zion	Bak	Baltimore, Md.
Moses Montefiore	Fink	Baltimore, Md.
Greenspring Valley	Leibowitz	Baltimore, Md.
Greengate	Shapiro	Baltimore, Md.
Shaarei Tfiloh	Gevantman	Baltimore, Md.
Shaarei Zion	Tabak	Baltimore, Md.
Temple Emanuel	Buchdahl	Baltimore, Md.
Ohev Shalom	Shaw	Baltimore, Md.
Zera Israel	Fischer	Baltimore, Md.
Ohr Knesseth Israel	Green	Baltimore, Md.
Beth Elohim	Blumberg	Wellesley Hills, Mass.
* Temple Mishkan Tefila	Kazis	Chestnut Hill, Mass.
* Knesses Israel	Shanblatt	Pittsfield, Mass.
* Young Israel of Oak Park	Gordon	Oak Park, Mich.
Temple Israel	Shapiro	Minneapolis, Minn.
B'nai El	Klausner	St. Louis, Mo.
Temple Emanuel	Rosenbloom	St. Louis, Mo.
Temple Israel	Rubin	St. Louis, Mo.
Tpheris Israel	Polin	St. Louis, Mo.
Shaare Emeth	Nodel	St. Louis, Mo.
Highland Park Conserv. Temple	Hilsenrath	Highland Park, N. J.
Anshe Emeth	Fields	New Brunswick, N. J.
Anshe Emeth	Maza	South River, N. J.
Ohav Emeth	Kaminetsky	Highland Park, N. J.
* Temple Sharey Shalom	Shapiro	Springfield, N. J.

<u>Congregations (Synagogues)</u>	<u>Rabbi</u>	<u>Community</u>
Temple Society of Concord	Levy	Syracuse, N. Y.
* Temple Beth Zion	Goldberg	Buffalo, N. Y.
* Temple Sinai	Herzog	Buffalo, N. Y.
Adath Israel	Goldfeder	Cincinnati, Ohio
Fairmount Temple	Lelyveld	Cleveland, Ohio
Tifereth Israel	Zelizer	Columbus, Ohio
Temple Israel	Folkman	Columbus, Ohio
* B'nai Israel	Goldberg	Toledo, Ohio
Neveh Shalom	Stampfer	Portland, Ore.
Beth Israel	Rose	Portland, Ore.
Keshet Israel	D. Silver	Harrisburg, Pa.
Degel Israel	Dattelkramer	Lancaster, Pa.
Shaarei Shomayim	Shain	Lancaster, Pa.
* Beth Emeth	Panitz	Philadelphia, Pa.
* Temple Beth El	Rosenfeld	Lancaster, Pa.
* Jewish Cong. of Oak Ridge	Marcus	Oak Ridge, Tenn.
* Temple Emanuel	Berlin	Roanoke, Va.
Temple Emanu-El	Kahn	Houston, Texas.
B'nai Jacob	Cooper	Charleston, W. Va.
Temple Emanu-El B'ne Jeshurun	Weinberg	Milwaukee, Wisc.
Cong. Shalom	Pastor	Milwaukee, Wisc.

(There are a total of 84 congregations.)

* Denotes congregations added since our last memo dated March 16, 1971.

** Rabbi Charles Davidson reports that there are 45 congregations in Greater New York City that have passed similar resolutions. See list attached.



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MORE THAN ONE HUNDRED SYNAGOGUES ADOPT "100% PLAN"

To date, more than one hundred synagogues around the country have adopted the "100% Plan", calling for a contribution to the United Jewish Appeal as an obligation of synagogue membership, it was announced today by Rabbi Dudley Weinberg of Milwaukee, Chairman of the UJA Rabbinical Advisory Council.

The plan was initiated, and its adoption encouraged by the Rabbinical Advisory Council, in the belief that "it is inconceivable for an American Jew to participate in the spiritual activities of the synagogue without expressing a commitment toward his fellow Jews in need."

Rabbi Weinberg, spiritual leader of Temple Emanu-El B'ne Jeshurun, said: "The act of giving is a fundamental precept in our religious tradition. Furthermore, giving to the UJA is the active fulfillment of the Mitzvot (religious demands) of Pidyon Sh'vuyim (redemption of those in captivity) and Pikuach Nefesh (preservation of human life). The purpose of the "100% Plan" is to remind every Jew who is a synagogue member of his additional responsibility for the continued existence of the Jewish People."

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"Because of its programs providing immigration and absorption aid in Israel and its life-sustaining humanitarian programs around the world," he added, "the UJA is the most effective vehicle for giving."

The "100% Plan", which was initiated in January, is having a definite impact on 1971 campaign results. Because of its success, the Council is urging its adoption in synagogues throughout the country. "Both as rabbis and as strong supporters of the UJA, we feel that this is a matter which will demand great effort, but will reap great rewards," Rabbi Weinberg said.

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