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*I want to
Call him today*

from Rabbi Albert H. Friedlander, Ph.D.

10th December, 1985

Rabbi A.M.Schindler,
President,
Union of American Hebrew Congregations,
838 Fifth Avenue,
New York, NY 10021, U.S.A.

Dear Alex,

I will be writing to Mrs.Friedman in Florence,
but must point out that the Reform Movement in Europe
works under far greater constraints. I will give her
the address of a Swiss rabbi, however, I do not know
if they will take her case. It would be helpful to
let her know what a New York rabbi requires - in some
ways it is much easier in America than in any part of
Europe!

Sadly, there seems to have been a major delay in
the production of my cantata at the Lincoln Centre,
although the performance is definitely scheduled to
take place in Canterbury Cathedral in July 1986. When
are you coming to London?

All our love from house to house,

As ever,

Albert
Albert H. Friedlander

AHF/rmh

November 25, 1985

Rabbi Albert H. Friedlander
Westminster Synagogue
Kent House, Rutland Gardens
London SW 7 1BX England

Dear Albert:

The enclosed letter is self-explanatory. It is from a very nice ~~young~~ lady who lives in Florence presently. She is non-Jewish but married to a Jew and she would like to convert but has difficulty with the local community, principally because they have no rabbis and teachers are limited and those they have are ultra-orthodox and not particularly understanding. Is there some way in which she can be helped via the European section of the WUPJ? I would appreciate your giving me your counsel or putting her in touch with someone directly. Her address is:

Mrs. Simone Friedman
Via Benedetto Da Foiano #21
Firenze, Italy

Weren't you supposed to be here around this time? No packages for Evelyn have arrived just yet so I assume your trip has been postponed. Let me hear from you. Be well.

Sincerely,

Alexander M. Schindler

Encl.

November 25, 1985

Mrs. Simone Friedman
Via Benedetto Da Foliano #21
Firenze, Italy

Dear Mrs. Friedman:

I remember what I heard concerning you from Laura and, of course, I am eager to be of help to you --- if I can. America is too far away from Florence, but I have a number of colleagues - Reform Rabbis all - who serve throughout Europe and I am now trying to find out just who would be in the best position to work with you. You should be hearing from me before long in this regard.

In the meantime and under separate cover, I am sending you a copy of a book which well might help you in your quest.

Please give my warm good wishes to the de Lagons. I enjoyed being with them and I hope that they are both well - and their child, too, of course.

With warm good wishes, I am

Sincerely,

Alexander M. Schindler

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Oct. 20. 1985

Dear Dr. Schneider,

I'll introduce myself as
Mrs. de Lagons friend. I be-
lieve she expressed my interest
to concert. If possible, throw your
congregation.

As Laura de Lagon mention-
ed, my husband is Israeli and
I'm from the Dom. Rep. where we
were married. Our future interest
is to be married under a Rabbi.

You must wonder why I don't
convert in France. Here facilities
are limited. I refer to teachers
of the Hebrew language or the
Torah. Maybe this year there

will be studies of the Torah but
nothing has yet been scheduled.

I would be so grateful
if you have the time, and if
you are willing to help me.
Laura mentioned that you
could send me information,
that I should learn. Eventually
for anything that I should be
in first person, my husband
and I would be glad to
come to New York.

Hoping that we can meet
in the future,

Simone

24 JULY 15, 1982

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Outcast

Respected Sir,

I am awfully grateful to you for sending me so many books and periodicals (by surface mail). I received your last letter in due time, but I had been awaiting the arrival of the consignment of books, before replying your letter written so much sympathetically. Going through some of the books and magazines I have come to realise that my mission may be fulfilled after arduous 'lucubration' after my prolong and patient waiting for many years to come.

The books despatched by you on the 23rd February reached my place during the first week of this month (July) only. It took almost 5 months to arrive, by surface mail, - I mean the consignment of books. In some of the books, I am already finding stories and anecdotes about the persons who were eager to undergo proselytisation but were initially met with 'recalcitrance' (prebuff) from the Hebrew community, but such 'intransigence' was broken through and acceptance was practically universal. (I am working on a typical Indian Baboo English which I hope, you will enjoy for its bizarre vocabulary).

Due to recent happenings I am doubtful about the availability of roving parsons visiting Bombay. As as to setup live contacts, hope is still there, that even the darkest cloud has a silver lining.

In the meantime, I have been poring over the books 'meticulously' and with proper concentration. I hope such reading will gradually give me a good command over Hebrew Canonical laws and the Ecclesiastes, (ET).

Kindly send me further instructions, in this connexion, so that I may be profited thereby in fulfilment of my mission. I am extremely sorry and apologetic for my delay in replying your kind letter. With 'my' best wishes and kindest thoughts.

I am,

Yours most sincerely,

B. P. Mukherjee

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To Rev. Rabbi Alexander M. Schindler,
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Sender's Name and Address:-

Prof. B.P. MUKHERJEE.

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FROM -
Prof. B.P. MUKHERJEE
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Outreach

December 5, 1983

Rabbi Samuel S. Lerer
Beth Israel Community Center, A.C.
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Mexico 10. D.F.

My dear Rabbi Lerer:

Many thanks for your gracious letter of November 14. I thank you for taking the time to write and to commend me and the Union for our Outreach program.

Let me assure you that we will persist in our work. It is very important to us.

With every good wish, I am

Sincerely,

Alexander M. Schindler

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Samuel S. Lerer, Rabbi

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November 14, 1983

Rabbi Alexander M. Schindler, President
Union of American Hebrew Congregations
838 Fifth Avenue
New York, New York 10021

My dear colleague:

Throughout the years, I have read your articles and the eloquent addresses that you have delivered pertaining to the idea of winning "Proselytes for Judaism". You have my full admiration for your awareness of the critical situation prevailing in respect to the diminishing numbers in world Jewry. You are standing at the helm of the Reform Movement to awaken them and to take steps to remedy this situation.

I am a Conservative rabbi, a member of the Rabbinical Assembly. Certainly, the Conservative Movement is aware of the problem. Much has been discussed but, it is regrettable that thus far it has remained in the realm of contemplation, without taking definite steps. I personally am convinced that "Proselytes for Judaism" is essential not only for augmentation of our numbers, but also for my profound conviction that we have been divinely commissioned with the challenge of *התחדות עם כלל ישראל*. Therefore, I am sending you the enclosed article "A New Phenomenon Is Developing In Jewish History In Mexico". I am certain that you will find this information of great satisfaction and gratification.

My work in Veracruz, Jalapa and Venta Prieta is succeeding marvelously, and the more that I delve into this work of dedication I discover that there are tremendous multitudes of people who are descendants of the Maranos who now desire to re-enter their original faith of Judaism. Rabbi W. Gunther Plaut wrote several articles in the Canadian Jewish News describing my work with them.

I sincerely believe that huge accomplishments can be made in this field of my endeavors but, considerable economic assistance is necessary for publications, religious articles and the proper personnel. Each group needs a Sefer Torah, several hundred prayer books and bibles in both Hebrew and Spanish, and teachers for instruction and guidance. I am fully confident that after reading the enclosed article, you will want to extend your assistance to our endeavor, and contact the proper channels for their assistance too.

*Thank him
for his warm
words. Assume
him we
will
persist.*

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Rabbi Alexander M. Schindler

November 14, 1983

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On behalf of those who are re-entering our faith, I wish to express their hope that you will respond to our plea affirmatively and generously. May our Heavenly Father bestow upon you His choicest celestial blessings for all your good endeavors.

Sincerely yours,

Samuel S. Lerer
Rabbi Samuel S. Lerer, D. D.

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A NEW PHENOMENON IS DEVELOPING IN JEWISH HISTORY IN MEXICO

Many articles have been written about the Jewish community in Venta Prieta, Mexico which numbers about 100 families. They claim to have arrived in Mexico with the "Conquistadores", and when the Spanish Inquisition was established in Mexico, they escaped into the mountains. When the law of Inquisition was eradicated in Mexico in 1821, they established themselves in Venta Prieta, Hidalgo, about 60 miles from Mexico City. They live as Jews. They observe Jewish rituals and ceremonials, and they themselves have built a nice little synagogue.

None of the Rabbis in Mexico and none of the congregations accept them as Jews. I am the only Rabbi who accepts them as Jews and extends all rabbinical services to them such as marriage, Bar and Bat Mitzvah, circumcision, etc.. The inspirational and spiritual sancity that prevails in their sanctuary during a religious service is beyond description.

JEWS BY CHOICE! It is also important to know that I am the only Rabbi in Mexico who welcomes those who desire to embrace Judaism and after thorough instruction I officiate at their conversion in accordance with the Law of Moses and the tradition of Israel. All other Rabbis in this country, with the exception of only very few cases, refuse conversions based on a misconceived concept expressed in the saying "Judios se nacen no se hacen", which means "A Jew is born not made". Consequently, 60 to 70 **Jews by Choice** enter our faith annually, either for the sake of marriage or for ideal conviction and love of Judaism.

NOW, A NEW PHENOMENON IS DEVELOPING IN JEWISH HISTORY IN MEXICO. One hundred souls who have been practicing Jewish customs and rituals for centuries, without knowing the reason for doing so, are now returning to the religion of their fathers. Evidently, they are descended from Maranos who came to Mexico in the 16th and 17th centuries. Many have 'chosen' Judaism and practice our religion with enthusiasm, zeal and dedication. In addition, several groups of people in the cities of Veracruz and Jalapa have organized their own study groups and have gradually begun to

observe Shabbat, the festivals, Kashrut, and the use of the yarmulkah, mezuzah and tzitzit.

They have renovated appartments in their respective cities and converted them into synagogues called "Temple Beth Shmuel" in honor of my name. I visit them once a month for additional guidance, direction and indoctrination. Of course, I cannot be with them on Shabbat as I am the principal Rabbi of Beth Israel Community Center in Mexico City, but the Shabbat of July 2nd I was with them as it was the beginning of my vacation. Let me present to you a brief schedule of their activities on Shabbat:

1. Thursday and Friday each family cooks the Sabbath meals for the community.

2. Friday evening, before sunset, approximately 100 people gather for Shabbat candles, Kabbalat Shabbat and Maariv service which, by the way, everyone knows by heart.

3. The whole community participates in the Shabbat meal with songs and sociability, ending at approximately 11:30 P.M.

4. Shabbat morning services begin at 9:00 A.M. and last until 11:00 A.M. and are followed by a Kidush of light refreshments.

5. At 12 noon they reassemble for the study of Parashat Hatorah with all commentaries, until 3:00 P.M.

6. Shabbat dinner is served for the whole community, followed by songs and Israeli dances and Hebrew instruction without the writing.

7. Shabbat is concluded with a service and the Havdalah. The participants form several circles. All the children carry little candles and several songs like Eliyahu Hanavi, Am Israel, David Melech Israel, Hinei Matov, etc. are sung. Actually, they spend the whole day of Shabbat in the synagogue and all of the prayers are said with such hearty devotion and spiritual dedication that would be difficult to encounter anywhere in any community. They look at me either as a saint or a Hassidic Rabbi. This makes me feel very humble indeed but, at the same time, with a tremendous inner gratification that I am building something great.

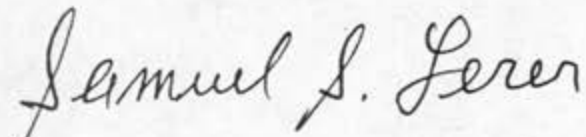
I have written many articles in the United Israel Bulletin. In one of my articles I expressed my conviction that we have suffered constant persecution because we have neglected to fulfill the challenge of the prophet Isaiah, "I THE LORD HAVE CALLED THEE IN RIGHTEOUSNESS, AND HAVE TAKEN HOLD OF THY HAND, AND KEPT THEE, AND SET THEE FOR A COVENANT OF THE PEOPLE FOR A LIGHT OF THE NATIONS; TO OPEN THE BLIND EYES, TO BRING OUT THE PRISONERS FROM THE DUNGEONS, AND THEM THAT SIT IN DARKNESS OUT OF THE PRISON

HOUSES." Isaiah 43:6-8. "YOU ISRAEL, ARE MY WITNESS SAYS YEHOVAH AND MY SERVANT WHOM I HAVE CHOSEN." Isaiah 43:10. We had two thousand years before the birth of Christianity and Islam of golden opportunity to bring the light of Judaism unto the nations but, we sat in our Promised Land, hugged our Torah to our breasts, and did nothing to share this glory with humanity. Judaism could have become THE World Religion. What a glorious world this could have been! But, let us not lament over the negative past. We must now concentrate on the positive future. I can readily visualize tremendous strides we can now make here in Mexico which will serve as an example the world over.

Now, I approach you with a supplication for your assistance. I am sure that you are fully aware of the economic crisis that we are experiencing in Mexico. The Mexican people who are entering our faith are in financial straits and there is a dire need for a Sefer Torah, several hundred prayer books and several hundred bibles in Hebrew and Spanish, and teachers for instruction and guidance. Any aid and assistance that you may extend to them will be highly appreciated.

Thanking you in advance for all that you will venture to do on our behalf, and with every kind wish, I am,

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Samuel S. Lerer". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned above the typed name.

Rabbi Samuel S. Lerer, D. D.

Outreach

August 2, 1982

Ms. Iona Goren
P.O.B. 341
Ashkelon, ISRAEL

Dear Ms. Goren:

Thank you for your recent letter and your expression of support for the Outreach program of the UAHC. Your offer of help is most gracious and, of course, I reciprocate it fully. If any of our materials are of interest we will be pleased to share them with your Association.

With best wishes, I am

Sincerely,

Alexander M. Schindler

bcc: Aron Hirt-Manheimer
David W. Belin

Aron^a, you might wish to reprint letter in R.J. It's up to you.

AMS

19/1/72
Dear Rabbi Schneider

I Have always been an ardent
advocate for Propagation of Judaism
among Gentiles and we even have
an ASSOCIATION in Israel To This Effect

delighted to
hear from
him.
wish him &
- our
mutual
course
never
succeed.

If You want our Help please
don't Hesitate To write To us.

Many GERIM p' &
Have fought our wars and
Gave up Their Lives for us -
and if They are Good To Die
They are also Good To Live
With us and for us

Have them
reprint
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In our TEFILAH (PRAYER)
ALEINU LESHABEACH we can
" clearly understand that The ultimate
wish of The ALMIGHTY is
That all The boyim shall
Come To Know Him without
Intermediate Go Between and ~~any~~

I shall always & cherish
Your Fine Thoughts
Yours Y. Green
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May 14, 1982

Prof. B.P. Mukherjee
22G Sreenath Mukheyie Lane
Calcutta 700030
INDIA

Dear Prof. Mukherjee:

Please forgive the delay in responding to your letter of March 29. It arrived during a period when I was traveling almost constantly and this is my first opportunity to reply.

When I sent the packet of books to you, they were addressed to the address you gave me in Calcutta. I do hope that on your arrival the books awaited you. I am certain the shipment took quite a long time but I trust they have been received by this time.

You may be certain I will keep you in mind should one of our rabbis be visiting India at any time. Such visits are usually to Bombay and, as I noted previously, are not regular but do occur from time to time.

Conversion within the REform movement here in America takes time. As I told you, there is a course of study and one does not merely read books and become a convert. There is much more involved, albeit from time to time some colleagues have made exceptions and provided a shorter but more intensive course of study in order to welcome a convert into Judaism more quickly. But, for the most part people study in class and with an individual rabbi for a number of months.

In response to your question about Israel, I must tell you it would be more difficult to obtain a conversion there. The Orthodox way of life rules on such issues in Israel and the system has not changed. If you are able to visit Israel, it would give you an opportunity to visit with religious officials to discuss your situation. That, of course, would be a plus. However, I cannot venture to guess what they would say to you as to how long it might take for you to be welcomed into the Jewish faith. Much would depend on the knowledge you have, the rituals you would be willing to undergo, etc. I simply cannot respond for the community in Israel.

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I am sorry that I cannot be more positive but I must be honest in my evaluation.

With all good wishes, I am

Sincerely,

Alexander M. Schindler

Respected Sir,

CALCUTTA ADDRESS

Calcutta-700030.

CAMP-Hyderabad-500007 (AP)

INDIA

MARCH 29, 1982

I am extremely sorry to send you a reply after such an inordinate delay. I thought, I would write to you after receiving the Consignment of books promised by you. Moreover, there was no availability of aerogrammes in local post offices and that also made some delay. Your first letter has been full of assurances and I feel much enthused & encouraged by your advice. I learn from your letter that conversion to Judaism is still a dilatory process. But then you have now relaxed the centuries-old moratorium that stood on the way of speedy (harmless) proselytizing. The process that you have mentioned was also in existence before you declared the recent relaxations. I know Hollywood actress Elizabeth Taylor underwent conversion to Judaism before two decades without much difficulties. Russian expatriates, on their exit from the USSR having Jewish spouses (themselves of non-Jewish belief), underwent expeditious proselytizations, in recent times, in their transit camps at some places in Switzerland on their way to Israel—proceeding for their settlement. This happened during the last ten years, or so. I don't understand how these things were allowed.

I shall be leaving for Calcutta within a day or two, since my research work in Hyderabad has terminated for the time being. Kindly send your letters or the package of books to my Calcutta address, henceafter. With the help of the books from you I may do the preliminary studies in respect of my 'introduction' into Judaism. I think in the National Library of Calcutta many rare books are available. If you kindly give me a list of essential books, I may be able to find them in the local famous libraries including one run by the U.S.A. Embassy. It would be deemed as a great service, if you kindly ~~request~~ request a rabbi, visiting Bombay for High Holydays to be gracious enough to invite me to have a meeting with him. It is really discouraging that not only in India, but also in any neighboring country there is no Rabbi present to conduct any intimate ~~on this conversion~~ ^{in this conversion}. I would be glad to learn whether in the light of relaxations and moratorium admissible in the U.S.A. there has been also any change in the policy inside Israel in respect of proselytization. Because, if inside Israel, conversion may be undergone instantaneously, (without waiting for an unlimited period) due to the change of policies in Israeli Rabbinical ^{courts}, in conformity of the policy of the U.A.H.C. (USA), then I am ready to visit that country, as a last resort to fulfil my desire. What I understood is that prior to this relaxation of moratorium, any person seeking conversion to any other religion could do so speedily excepting securing conversion to Judaism. But now, that system has been changed and Judaism invites people belonging to other faiths to join it. This has been the purport of all newspaper reports that I came across in January this year. From your letter, I find that things have been at least mis-reported in Indian newspapers; since the change in the system of

proselytisation has been almost negligible. In case, I have even now misunderstood the whole matter, please help me out of this confusion with your superior knowledge.

Kindly also let me know whether it would be pragmatic and wise on my part to visit Israel in near future to undergo conversion within a reasonable period. From you I have learnt that undergoing conversion is not a great problem in the States. It was not so even before. But it is not possible for me to go to the USA for obvious reasons and I cannot stay there for a considerable period as my friends won't permit so. Any-how, should you feel that I have no hopes in my life to fulfil my ambitions, you may tell me that straightway. But if you feel that by reading books sent by you, and by contacting a rabbi for a few occasions I may be fit for conversion through self study, then please help me to do so. With my best regards and kindest thoughts. I am, sincerely, P. P. Mukherjee - 22G, Sreenath Mukherjee Lane, Calcutta-700030 (INDIA)

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Prof P. P. MUKHERJEE

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PRESIDENT, Rabbi Alexander M. SCHINDLER

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(to USA)

under acknowledgment

Original

April 21, 1982

Mr. Joel Eigen
c/o Arni
Rechov Amishav 13/17
Tel-Aviv 67943 Israel

Dear Mr. Eigen:

It was good hearing from you again and I thank you for your words of appreciation. It is nice to know my response to your inquiry was helpful and I am pleased that you have once again turned to me for assistance.

First of all let me wish you a warm and hearty mazal tov on your forthcoming marriage and on your move to Israel. The comments in regard to your own acceptance under the Law of Return and the situation of your fiancée do point up the irony of the situation in Israel today.

The Zionist affiliate of the Union of American Hebrew Congregations is ARZA - the Association of Reform Zionists of America. For your interest, I enclose herewith some materials from ARZA which I hope you will find to be helpful.

You should also know that there are a number of Liberal (Reform) congregations in Israel and our International organization, the World Union for Progressive Judaism, is based in Jerusalem. The director of the WUPJ is Rabbi Richard G. Hirsch and you might want to meet with him. His office is located at 13 King David Street, Jerusalem -- in the complex of the Jerusalem campus of the Hebrew Union College - Jewish Institute of Religion, the seminary of the Reform movement. His telephone is 234-748. There are other Reform rabbis in Israel but I would suggest that you seek to meet Rabbi Hirsch first and he will be able to direct you to other rabbis if you so wish. He, by the way, is a close friend of Rabbi Levinson. By all means do tell Rabbi Hirsch that I suggested you be in touch with him.

With every good wish and kindest greetings, I am

Sincerely,

Alexander M. Schindler

Encl.

Tel Aviv, 9 April 82

Rabbi Alexander M. Schindler, President
Union of American Hebrew Congregations
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Dear Rabbi Schindler:

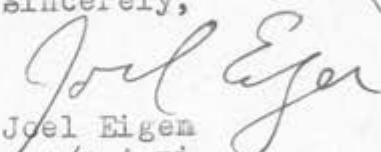
This letter is a very long overdue acknowledgement and thank you to your letter of December 30, 1980 in answer to my inquiry of December 17 (copy of the latter enclosed). This will also include mention of several personal items, as I think they might be of interest.

Your letter and its enclosures was indeed very helpful and served as the basis of further reading into Jewish history and its philosophers of the liberal tradition, as I struggled to learn the language of the country which did after all serve as the birthplace of the Reform movement. I cannot thank you enough, however belatedly, for your kind and helpful letter. I was not unfortunately able to meet with Rabbi Levinson but we did exchange letters and I hope to meet him someday in the future.

In Berlin I also met the woman who will become my wife later this year. We left Berlin a month ago to return to Israel where she has citizenship and a family, while I entered as an immigrant under the Law of Return. Some ironies include the fact that although she came here with her family from Poland as a consequence of the wave of anti-semitism there in the late 60's, she is by law a goy and unsuited for marriage to me under the halacha, this by virtue of her mother's non-Jewish lines. Some irony also in the fact that I am here as an oleh chadash although I have for many years had serious doubts about the nature of the state of Israel and its policies -- in short I am not a Zionist.

So having had a long-time and now quite personal interest on the subject, I would like to make one request. Namely for any recent statements or official literature by the UAHC on their relationship towards the state of Israel and the Zionist movement. I have already read David Polish's "Renew Our Days: The Zionist Issue in Reform Judaism". I found it very interesting narrative, but it only succeeded in raising more new questions than it answered for me.

Sincerely,


Joel Eigen

c/o Arni
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bei Volz

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December 17, 1980

Union of American Hebrew Congregations
Office of Alexander Schindler, President
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Dear Mr. Schindler:

I write with two requests, one general and the other more specific.

The general request is for information that might help me to answer the question: Just what is Reform Judaism?

By way of brief introduction and partial explanation I should explain that my immigrant grandparents were active members of their respective Reform congregations, while the next generation drifted into a more secular variety of the faith. This generation (i.e., me) expects to find itself living and working here in Berlin for several years. The critical role this city has played for Judaism, both during the tragic period earlier in this century as well as the creative years before, make unavoidable an awareness of my personal religious roots and with this a sense of responsibility towards continuing these traditions. So please whatever appropriate information you might send--pamphlet, suggested reading list, etc.

The other more specific and limited request is for whatever public information you might have on a policy decision I vaguely remember reading about earlier this year. Namely, that Reform Jews in the U.S. (I assume the UAHC) had adopted a policy that would return Judaism to being a religion of conviction and conversion as well as of simple birthright. This is a policy I would support and consider long (about 1900 years) overdue.

Thanks for your help with both of these requests.

Sincerely,
Joel Eigen

Outreach

April 19, 1982

Mr. Schalom Ben-Chorin
P.O. Box 6644
Jerusalem 91066, Israel

Dear Schalom:

Many thanks for sending me your article from the Israel
Nachrichten. I am grateful for your thoughtfulness.

Your continued support of this program, indeed the work
of the Liberal movement, is a source of strength to me,
to us all. Know that we are most appreciative of all
your efforts.

With warmest regards and all good wishes, I am

Sincerely,

Alexander M. Schindler

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February 22, 1982

Rabbi Sion David
Temple Israel
119 E. Fayette Street
Uniontown, PA 15401

Dear Sion:

On Friday I had a surprise visit from Hugo and Jackie Gryn, they were here for the week-end. Hugo performed a wedding in New York yesterday. When he told me they had just visited India, I expressed my dismay at not having known of their trip earlier as we had received two letters from India in response to articles which have appeared in the press on our Outreach program. Hugo immediately suggested I be in touch with you and I realized I should have thought of you myself! By the way, he showed me a lovely color photo taken with your father during this visit.

I am enclosing herewith the two letters I received, as well as copies of my responses. We are sending books to Mr. Joseph and Prof. Mukherjee. But I thought perhaps you might give them a contact in India, or even be in touch with these gentlemen personally. I do want to give them a sense of support and interest on our part, yet it is difficult to really aid them in their quest for Judaism from such a distance.

If you have any suggestions, please do share them with me.

With appreciation and warmest regards, I am

Sincerely,

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Mr. John A. Joseph
Department of English
Loyola College
Madras, India 600034

Dear Mr. Joseph:

Your letter of January 7 moved me deeply and I appreciate your having shared with me your thoughts. I so wish we had a rabbi in India to whom I might direct you. Alas, we do not.

I am, however, going to send to you, under separate cover, a collection of books on Judaism and the Jewish people which I trust will help you in your quest to learn more about the spirit of Judaism. There are many publications which would be of interest but I will select those I deem most suitable to be sent to you.

If you have any source in India for books on Judaism, I could easily provide a long list of publications. But for now, I hope you will find those materials which are being sent to be helpful.

With every good wish and kindest greetings, I am

Sincerely,

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~ Rev. Rabbi Alexander Schneider,

I am quite happy to welcome your decision to end a four-century-old moratorium on seeking proselytes to the Jewish faith.

I have been brought up in the tradition of the Catholic Church from my childhood and even spent a few years preparing for priesthood. In the process I was disillusioned, lost my faith in the divinity of Christ and discontinued my studies for priesthood. Then, after my post graduation in English literature, I fell in with a girl who belonged to the Protestant Church. I was virtually forced to become the member of the Protestant Church as religion permeated a hindrance and barred us from getting married for ^{four} long years.

At the moment, even after the wedding, I am unable to identify myself intellectually and emotionally with any of the Christian sects. I would like to try whether I could find my identity in Judaism which I find is nearest to my heart of all the religions. Could you send me some books or other materials that could impart to me the right spirit of Judaism.

Thank you,
John A. Joseph

February 3, 1982

Prof. B.P. Mukherjee
Central Institute of English
and Foreign Languages
Hyderabad 7 (A.P.)
PIN 500007 INDIA

Dear Professor Mukherjee:

Your letter of January 5 moved me deeply. I so regret that you have had such difficulty in seeking to convert to the Jewish faith. I also rue the fact that we do not have a rabbi in India to whom I might direct you for counsel. From time to time, but with no regular pattern, a rabbi from the United States or Europe might visit India, we have a small congregation in Bombay they visit for the High Holydays. Should I learn of such a visit I will most certainly keep you in mind.

Obviously, you have made many attempts to gain assistance in your desire but to no avail. You will understand, I trust, that part of the problem is the fact that conversion to Judaism requires more than a statement of commitment to the faith and the people. An intense course of study is required. Here in the States we have Introduction to Judaism courses which those wishing to learn more about Judaism make take, while at the same time they also have personal meetings and discussions with rabbis in order to enhance their knowledge of Judaism.

From your letter I discern that you have studied a great deal about Judaism. However, in order to give you further information, I am sending you a package of books, under separate cover, which I believe will be of interest. I will also include our Book Catalogue and if you note any special books you would like to have you can order them directly. I don't know what resources are available to you in the realm of publications and I certainly want to make available to you as many informational books as possible.

Unfortunately, our faith does not provide for evangelists and therefore I cannot hold out hope for you to expect such a visitor. Even if you were to meet with a rabbi a conversion would not necessarily take place. It would be necessary to determine the extent of your knowledge of Judaism and the Jewish people before a rabbi would participate in a formal ceremony of conversion.

I so wish I might be more positive in responding to you and I hope you can appreciate my predicament. If you have any special questions or requests, please feel free to contact me again.

Prof. B.P. Mukherjee
February 3, 1982
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With every good wish and kindest greetings, I am

Sincerely,

Alexander M. Schindler

To Hon'ble Rabbi Alexander Schindler,
President of the U.A.H.C. Boston (USA).

Sir, I feel very much elated to learn that with the advent of the New Year the U.A.H.C., has taken an unprecedented decision to do away with the four century long moratorium to the practice of proselytizing to Judaism. I have been trying for more than a decade to embrace Judaism, because I have come to love that faith passionately, from the very core of my heart. I contacted Israeli Consulate in Bombay and requested for their assistance in the matter, but the Consulate staff discouraged me. Then I wrote to the Rabbinical Court, in Jerusalem (ISRAEL) and also requested the Israeli Ministry of Religious Affairs to come to my rescue. But in both the cases they required me to go to Israel and thereafter arrange for my stay for a year, and to undergo certain rites and rituals, so as to qualify myself for proselytization. They also informed me that even if I were to go through such processings, there was no security that I would be ultimately converted. As a result I gave up the idea of going over to Israel and moreover, it has not been very easy to secure an Indian passport for going over to that Country. Since such travel documents are usually issued in special cases from India. In India, the last Indian Rabbi, who lived in Calcutta, had left the Country for good and I have learnt that he is now in Philadelphia (USA). I have come to learn that at present there is no possible source in India, that may be of any help to me in this matter. I previously approached the Jewish Agency in Bombay, but they also replied that they had nothing to do with conversion, since, conversion was an impossibility at that time. I wondered how in recent times the Hollywood actress Elizabeth Taylor, could be proselytized in the U.S.A, before twenty years. I made enquiries and learnt that such conversions were possible under very 'specially circumstanced' situations, and cannot be cited as a precedence.

I am at present serving as a Lecturer in English, near Calcutta, at a Post-graduate Teachers' Training College. I have been staying now here, in Hyderabad, to undergo some in-service training. I have passed three M.A. Exams. and have taken courses of phonetics (spoken English), which I teach to my students. It is evident that at this age (I am above 50 now), there may be many 'Coercion' operating in the matter of my desired proselytization. My education, and status preclude that possibility. Under the circumstances I would request you to arrange in such way that I may undergo conversion to Judaism anywhere in India and for the same purpose kindly send an evangelist to my place who may undertake the responsibility of my proselytization. Since, it may not be possible for you, immediately - I am ready to wait patiently and any evangelist on the way to or from Israel, may perchance be kind enough to meet me here or in Calcutta, where I shall return in April '82, positively to resume my academic duties at my College. In India, there is no bar to religious conversion, if it is done voluntarily, since because of the state secularism, any change in religion makes no difference in the status of an Indian citizen. I shall be eagerly looking forward to receiving a reply from you.


Hope to receive your sympathetic consideration and blessings,

Sincerely yours,

Present Address - (UPTOth 31st March - 1982). B. P. Mukherjee

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Danny - re the two letters I showed you from India. Help me select the best books --- one gentleman seems to have more background and we might not necessarily send the same books to these two people.

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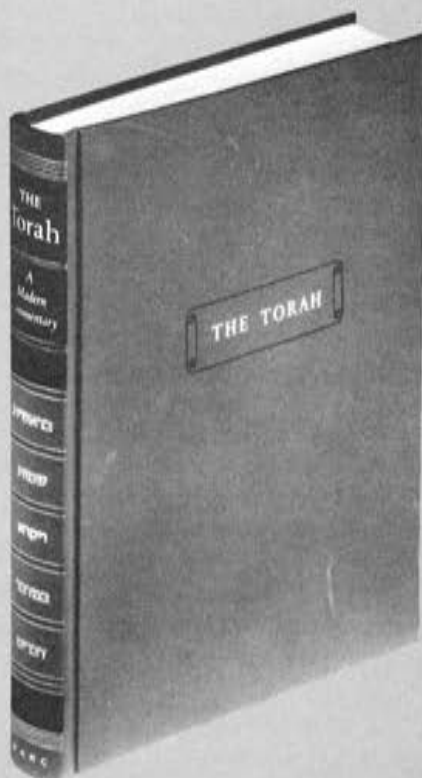
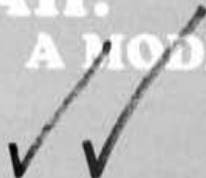
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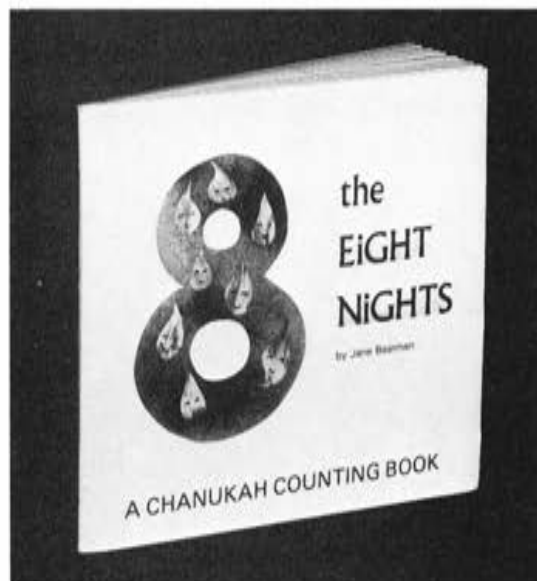
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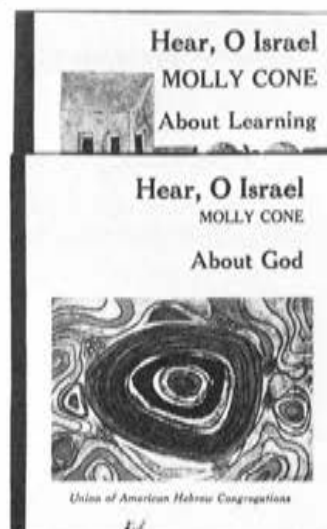
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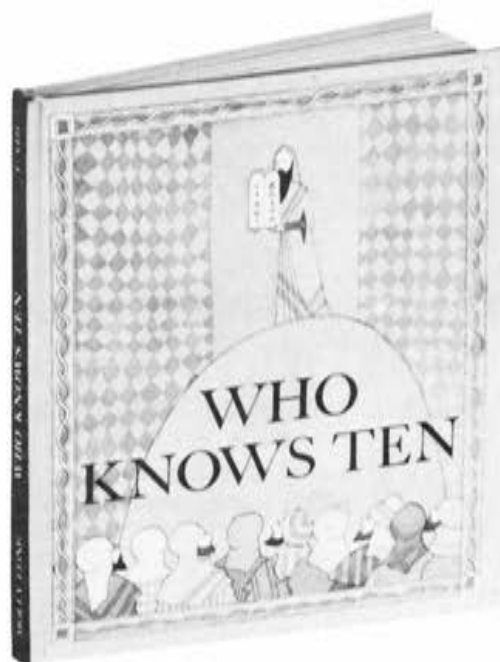
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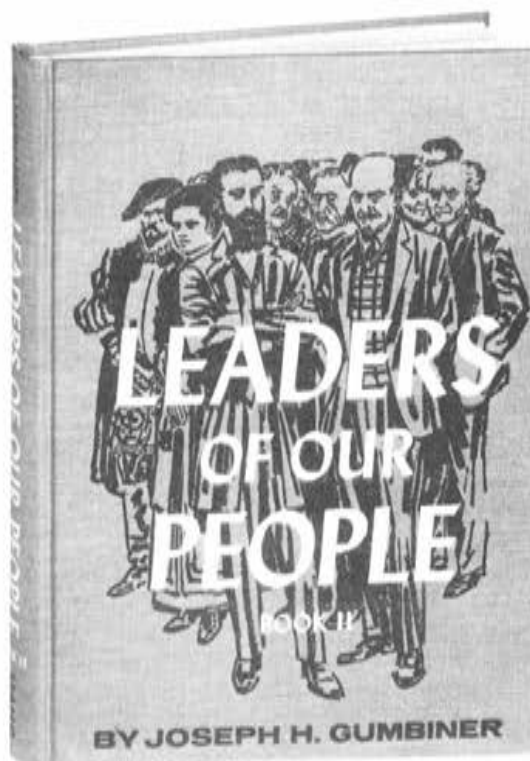
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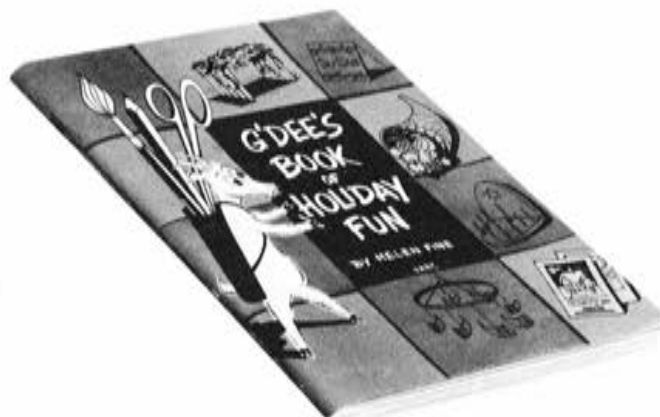
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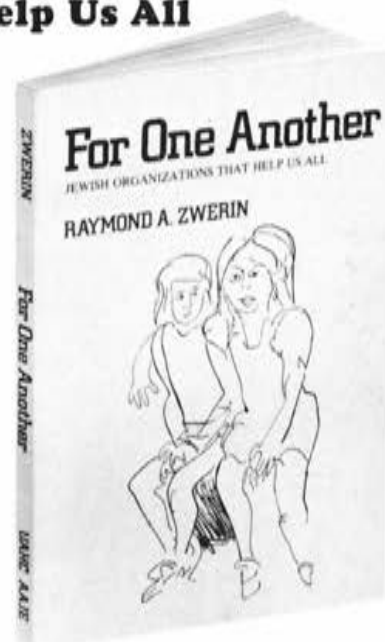
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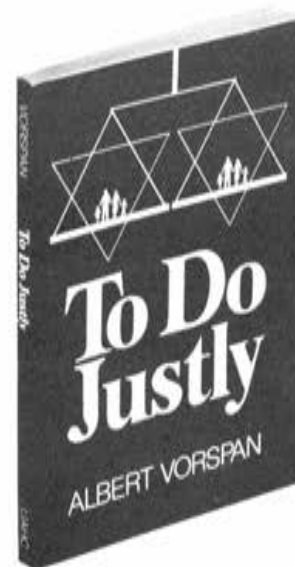
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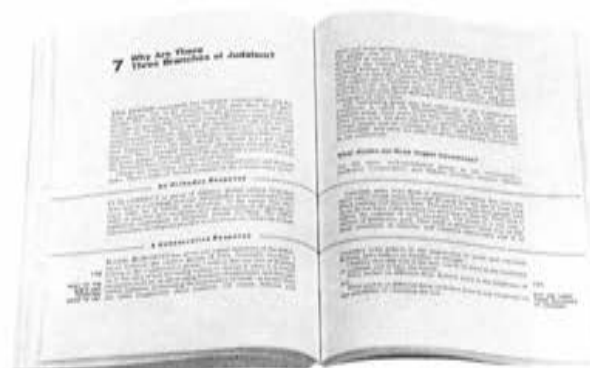
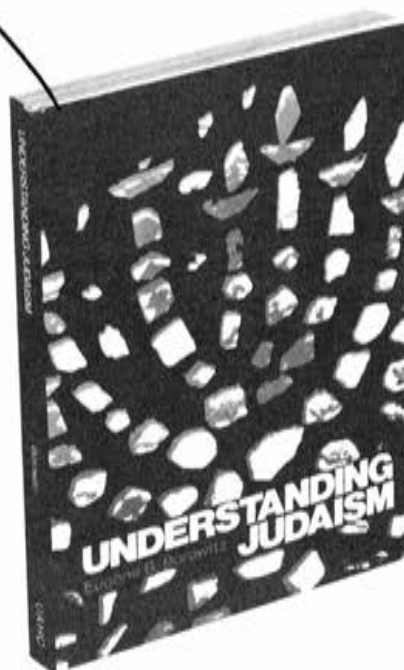
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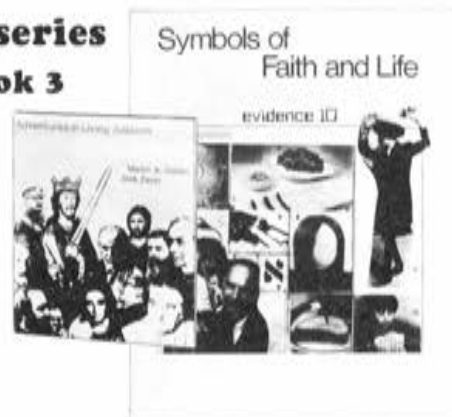
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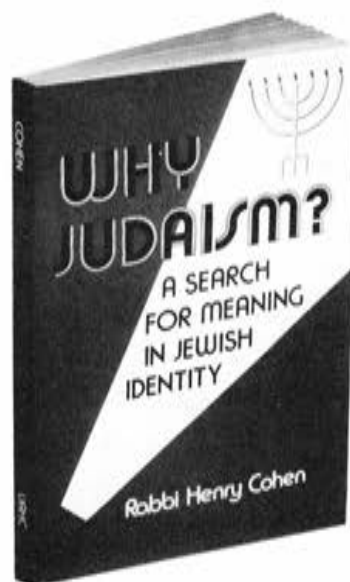
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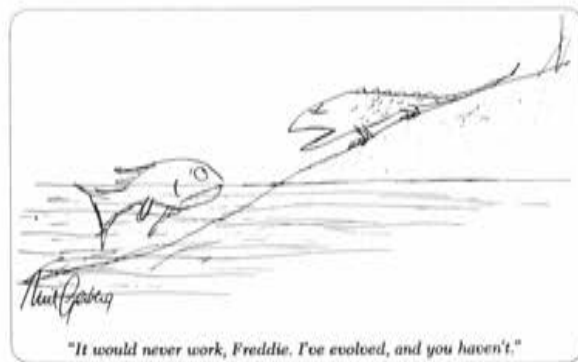
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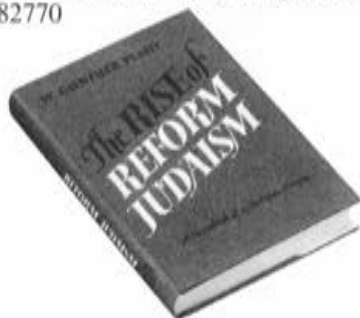
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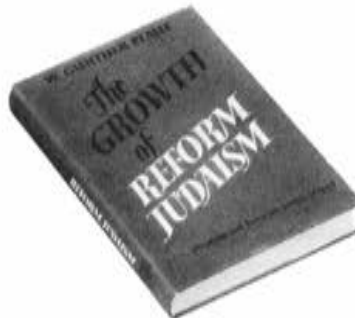


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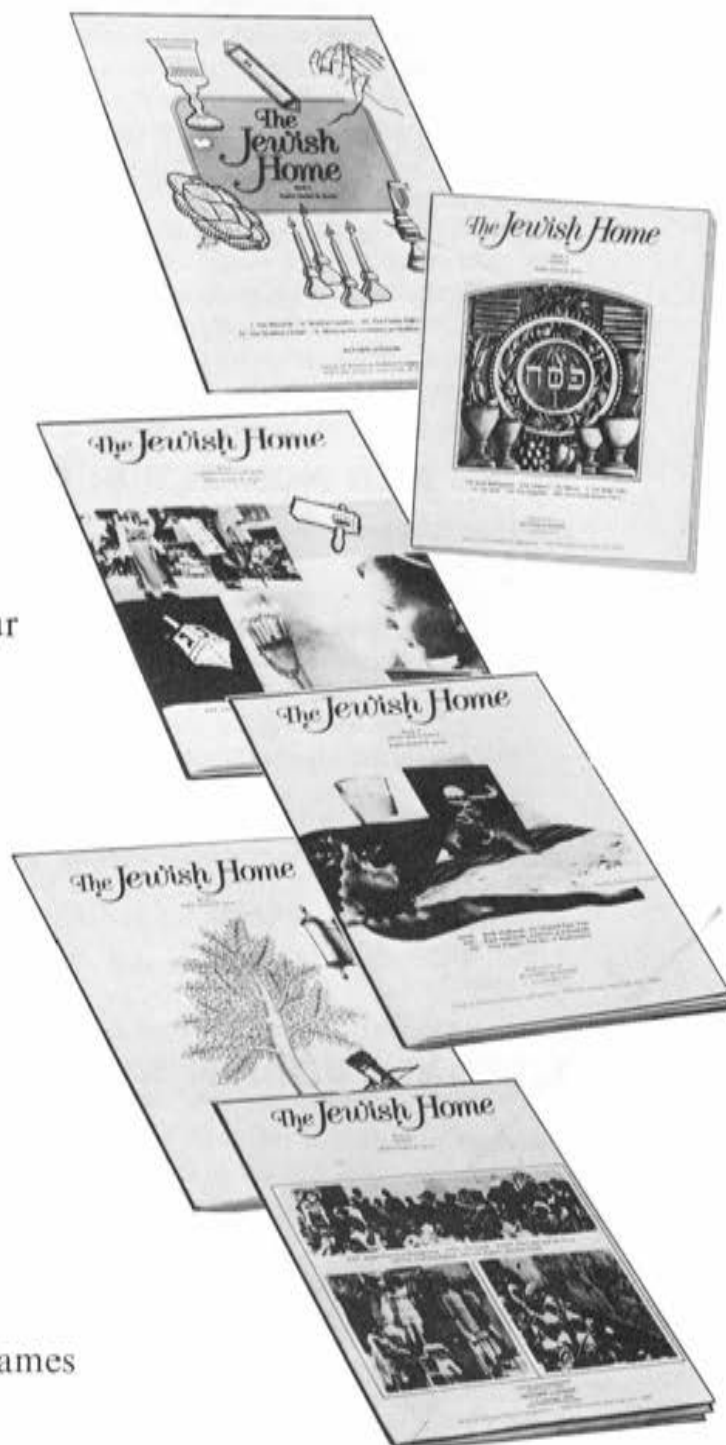
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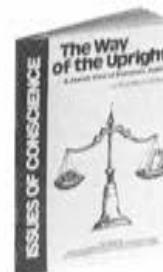
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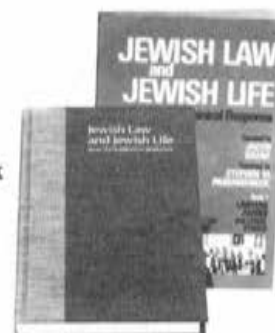
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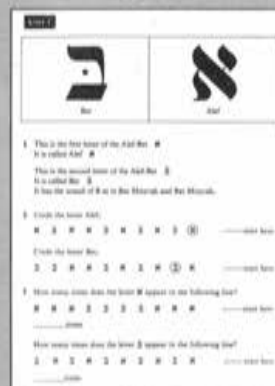
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WHY PRAY?

Young People's Emotional Responses to a Philosophical Question

Rather than providing the student with an answer, this unique twenty-minute filmstrip/cassette program presents the personal feelings and viewpoints about God and prayer as expressed by 11- to 17-year-olds. They deal with such issues as whether God exists, whether prayers are answered, and what you should pray for. There is no attempt to dictate a prescribed theory of prayer relevant to synagogue worship—rather, it is meant to promote the exploration of why people pray, and much of it, as expressed by the students, has little to do with what is generally considered to be "Jewish prayer." The viewpoints run the gamut from doubting God's existence, to "just talking to God the way I would talk to any other person," to delighting in the Shabbat services. This innovative approach will stimulate uninhibited classroom discussion and encourage students to look within and find their own, personal connections to God. The aesthetic color photographs of the participants provide visual interest as well as a point of identification for the viewer. Because of its simple, conversational, audiovisual format, *Why Pray?* can be used independently with students as young as third graders. It is equally effective with students in junior high and high school as an introduction to *Bechol Levavcha (With All Your Heart)*, by Harvey J. Fields. 45 frames.

The guide, by Rabbi Bennett Miller, included as part of the program, contains exercises and activities relevant to particular age groups from third grade through adult. Included, as well, is a list of pertinent references to *Bechol Levavcha*.

No. 526300

Filmstrip with cassette



"Whenever I pray to God, I always look up. I don't know why. I think I can get more into looking at the sky than looking at the ground."



"... I suddenly got a feeling that being Jewish meant being part of a people. I got the sudden feeling of belonging to the Jewish people."

Archaeology and Ancient Traditions**BENEATH THESE STONES: Archaeology at the Temple Mount and the Walls of Jerusalem**

Co-issued by the UAHC and the Department of Education and Culture, World Zionist Organization

Following on the heels of the unification of Jerusalem after the Six Day War of 1967, Israeli archaeologists under the direction of Professor Benjamin Mazar proceeded to excavate the Temple Mount and the walls of Jerusalem. This fascinating color filmstrip tells that story of our time as part of the story of Jerusalem through the ages.

On-the-spot photographs of the dig (including many young American volunteers at work sifting soil and debris for coins, seals, rings, jewelry, and pottery shards), as well as of the New City of Jerusalem and the Old City of Jerusalem today, introduce the present scene. Jerusalem in the days of the Bible and the Temple in Herod's time are shown through photographs of models based on historical sources. Still other photographs pick up archaeological remains in Herod's Temple complex and remains and inscriptions of the Moslem, Crusader, and Turkish periods to the present.

Rabbi Martin Rozenberg's eloquent script skillfully binds all the parts together, revealing the emergence of the Jerusalem of Gold from its layers of history.

Intended for students in junior and senior high school grades, for youth groups, and for adult study circles. 80 frames.

No. 526200

The main entrance to the Holy Temple was in a section of this wall.



Filmstrip Guide
 Written and Directed by: Rabbi Martin Rozenberg
 Edited by: Dr. Moshe F. Givon and Rabbi David Kohn
 Produced by: Ben R. Bickel and Paula Kahn
 Illustrated by: David Kohn and David Kohn

For archaeology buffs as well as armchair travelers, these filmstrips are a journey backward in time.

MASADA: Mountain of Memory

Based on the dramatic original slides taken by Dr. Yigael Yadin, the noted Israeli archaeologist. 54 frames.

No. 526050

DR. NELSON GLUECK: Rabbi, Archaeologist, Biblical Scholar

Dr. Glueck and his archaeological discoveries in the Holy Land: his exploration of numerous sites in the Negev, and the major digs at Etzion Gever and at Khirbet Tannur on the eastern side of the Jordan. Dr. Glueck's reliance on the Bible for clues is featured. 63 frames.

No 526160

THE SAMARITANS: Their Traditions and Customs

Outstanding Filmstrip of Jewish Interest award by the National Council on Jewish Audio-Visual Materials

The Samaritans are a distinctive religious sect which considers itself authentically Jewish. 46 frames.

No. 506530



The most prized possession of the sect, this ancient Torah scroll (shown in its elaborate case) Samaritans claim was written by a great-grandson of Aaron, the High Priest.



The trench-altar is lined with natural, uncut stones in accordance with the biblical command, "make for Me an altar of earth. . . . But if you make for Me an altar of stones, do not build it of hewn stones." (Exodus 20:21, 22)

Israel and the Bible in Stamps

The postage stamps of Israel can be important instructional aids. In this series, sponsored by the Israel Philatelic Agency in America, colorful montages are accompanied by photographs of related scenes of Israeli life. Several of the filmstrips in this series won the Outstanding Filmstrip of Jewish Interest award given by the National Council on Jewish Audio-Visual Materials.

ISRAEL STAMPS CELEBRATE THE JEWISH HOLIDAYS

Beginning with Rosh Hashanah, the ceremonial objects and observances of all the Jewish holidays and Shabbat. 53 frames.
No. 506150

A STAMP TOUR OF ISRAEL

Starting with Haifa, all sections of the country are visited as the montages reflect cities, villages, and historic sites. 55 frames.
No. 506130

THE BIBLE IN STAMPS

The masterpieces reproduced on stamps provide an excellent review of almost all the biblical stories. Thirty countries are represented as well as such artists as Cranach, Michelangelo, Caravaggio, and

Chagall, plus original designs by Israeli artists. 50 frames.
No. 506140

STAMPS TELL THE STORY OF ISRAEL

The history of the Jews, contemporary Israeli life, and famous personalities. 59 frames.
No. 506100

THE BEAUTY OF NATURE IN ISRAEL STAMPS

Many Israel stamps are devoted to flowers, birds, fish, and animals. Montages and color slides of the protected wildlife and nature reserves of Israel are woven together in an ecological motif. 52 frames.
No. 506160

Bilingual Stories and Legends for Young Children

The four story-filmstrips in this series were prepared in association with Sirtonei Israel. Each of these filmstrips has two sections, one without captions for young pupils who have little or no knowledge of Hebrew; the second section has simplified Hebrew captions (with vowels) suitable for students who have had a fairly intensive program of Hebrew instruction. In addition to the story, each filmstrip contains at least one basic Jewish value. The printed guide includes a story in English to accompany the illustrations, the Hebrew captions, and suggestions to the teacher for both versions.

Note: These filmstrips may be used in conjunction with the textbook and activity book *The Children of Israel*.

THE BIRTHDAY OF THE ALMOND TREE

An introduction to a unit on Tu Bishvat. The story of the cycle of the seasons and its effect on a beautiful almond tree is exceptionally appealing to children. 48 frames.
No. 506090



A PURIM COSTUME FOR SHOSHANAH



Children will sympathize with Shoshanah in this Israeli fairy tale with a Cinderella theme. 54 frames. No. 506290

GIDEON BECOMES A SHEPHERD

When the kibbutz shepherd is too sick to take the sheep to pasture, young Gideon is proud to be given the assignment. When one of the sheep gets lost, Gideon is distraught and will not return to the kib-

butz without her. With the help of his dog, Navchan, Gideon finds the lost sheep with her newborn lamb. This delightful story is an opportunity to introduce pupils to the nature of cooperative living in a kibbutz. 70 frames.

No. 506070

THE BOY DAVID

Based on a story by Chaim Nachman Bialik. Children enjoy the legend of how a young boy, David, gains King Saul's permission to help a widow who has been robbed of her savings by a greedy merchant. Justice triumphs when David traps the thief. Pupils take added pleasure when they learn that this same David will one day be the king of Israel. 54 frames. No. 506080

Special Institutions and Projects in Israel

REFORM JUDAISM IN ISRAEL (Slide set)

The special institutions and projects which reflect the initiative, support, and encouragement of Reform Jewry in America through the numerous institutions for lay leaders, rabbis, educators, students, archaeological digs, and student exchange programs. 70 frames. No. 542100

A TREE GROWS IN ISRAEL

Sponsored by the Jewish National Fund

The growth of a tree from seed, the transformation of barren hillsides in Israel, the many forests planted through the purchase of JNF certificates, Israeli school children celebrating Tu B'shevat. For all grades. 49 frames. No. 523100

JNF SALUTES THE BICENTENNIAL

Original art panels trace the participation of Jews in the American Revolution and in the events leading up to it; color slides describe the bicentennial park project in Israel launched by the Jewish National Fund in honor of the United States. The similarities between the achievement of independence in the United States and Israel are underscored. 55 frames. No. 506420



If you are not a member of the UAHC EMeS plan, consider joining this year.

Contradicting the popular misconception that Jews did not participate in the graphic arts because of the stricture in the Second Commandment, this series for high school students and adults illustrates the role of art in Jewish history and in Jewish life.

THE DURA SYNAGOGUE AND ITS ART

Outstanding Filmstrip of Jewish Interest award by the National Council on Jewish Audio-Visual Materials

The finds at Dura-Europos (a third-century fortress in what is now Syria) are of major historic and artistic importance. 50 frames.

No. 526170

THE JEWISH WEDDING IN ART

Art from the museums of Israel, Italy, Austria, and the United States which traces the development of Jewish wedding customs as seen in fine art and ritual objects from various countries and periods. Paintings are by Rembrandt, Delacroix, Renoir, Chagall, and others. 44 frames.

No. 527030



A flask of wine was thrown at the chupah stone (this one is from the eighteenth century) to frighten the demons away . . . the wine itself was intended as a bribe for the demons.

PASSOVER ART OF THE MIDDLE AGES: Three Illuminated Haggadot

Three of the most famous Passover manuscripts of medieval times—the priceless Darmstadt, Sarajevo, and Kaufmann Haggadot—date back to the fourteenth century. 54 frames.

No. 526290

THE SHABBATH AT HOME

Emphasizing Shabbat customs and ceremonies practiced in the home for centuries. A treasure trove of exquisitely crafted candlesticks, Shabbat hanging lamps, Kiddush cups, spice boxes, tablecloths, chalah plates, paintings, woodcuts, and illuminated manuscripts. 41 frames.

No. 527020



Embroidered chalah cover, nineteenth century.

ART IN JUDAISM

Course syllabus by Bernard M. Zlotowitz

The first in the series "Art in Judaism," this syllabus is based on the four filmstrips described above: *The Dura Synagogue and Its Art*, *The Jewish Wedding in Art*, *Passover Art of the Middle Ages*, and *The Sabbath at Home*. It introduces a new teaching device, a

color "filmstrip" and an individual viewer, to be used with the filmstrips, enabling each student, individually, to see—in detail—the particular frame referred to in the filmstrip.

No. 244330

Syllabus with filmstrip and viewer

The nineteen personalities portrayed in UAHC filmstrips are listed below according to the period in which they lived.

Talmudic Teachers



HILLEL: Teacher of Love

The Chamber of Hewn Stones, within the Temple, where the Small Sanhedrin of Twenty-three of Jerusalem met.

Hillel's growth from his early years in Babylonia through his rise to the position of Nasi of the Sanhedrin in Jerusalem. A number of Hillel's teachings are illustrated. 35 frames.
No. 506400

YOCHANAN BEN ZAKKAI: Teacher of Peace

A remarkable filmstrip... "Educational Screen and A-V Guide

Hillel chose his disciple, Yochanan ben Zakkai, to succeed him as the spiritual leader of the Jewish people. 36 frames.
No. 506380

When Rabbi Judah and his sons completed their editing of the Mishnah, the sixty-three Masechtot were placed in six earthen jars—one for each of the Six Orders of the Mishnah.



JUDAH THE PRINCE: Teacher of Law

Judah the Prince, who was born during the Hadrianic persecutions, succeeded his father as spiritual leader of the people. Also illustrated are the various types of law that are included in the six tractates of the Mishnah, codified by Rabbi Judah. 37 frames.
No. 506350

RAV AND SAMUEL: Teachers of Talmud

As Judah the Prince was the last of the Tannaim (the rabbis of the Mishnah in Palestine), Rav and Samuel are the first of the Amoraim (the rabbis of the Gemara) in Babylonia. They established the great academies of Sura and Nehardea. Their teachings in matters of law, astronomy, and calendar calculations and their contributions to the literature of prayer are all illustrated. 44 frames.
No. 506490

Medieval Scholars and Statesmen

SAADIA GAON: Teacher of Science and Faith

Saadia lived in Egypt, Palestine, Babylonia, and Baghdad in the tenth century. His colorful life and his contributions to the fields of philosophy, grammar, astronomy, Bible, and Bible translation are depicted. Several sequences illustrate his opposition to the Karaites and to his disputes with the exilarch. 43 frames.
No. 506320

BACHYA IBN PAKUDA: Teacher of Ethics

Bachya's teachings on the unity of God, trust in God, *cheshbon ha-nefesh* or spiritual accounting, and love of God are interpreted through impressionist paintings. Later ethical thinkers—Maimonides, Israel Salanter, Hermann Cohen, A.D. Gordon, and Leo Baeck—are summarized in the final sequence. 38 frames.
No. 506110

Torquemada addressing Ferdinand and Isabella.



ISAAC ABRAVANEL: Scholar and Statesman

The life and works of Don Isaac Abravanel and the far-reaching effects of the Inquisition on Jewish history. The wanderings of Abravanel are traced from Spain to Naples, then to Corfu, and finally to Venice. His scholarly writings on the Bible are also described. 41 frames.
No. 506120

Forerunners of the Modern Period

MENASSEH BEN ISRAEL: Man of Dreams and Deeds

As an infant, Menasseh ben Israel was baptized because his parents were Marranos living in Portugal. He became a learned rabbi and prolific writer. Here is his colorful career, capped by meeting with Oliver Cromwell, which led to the return of the Jews to England. 39 frames.
No. 506030

Forerunners of the Modern Period

MOSES MENDELSSOHN: Pioneer in Modern Judaism

With his rich background in traditional Jewish studies and his interest in European literature and philosophy, Moses Mendelssohn served as a bridge to the period of Haskalah. 43 frames.

No. 506410

THE BAAL SHEM TOV: The Teachings of the Chasidim

Blue Ribbon award, American Film Festival

Outstanding Filmstrip of Jewish Interest award by the National Council on Jewish Audio-Visual Materials

This filmstrip and its accompanying cassette represent a landmark in the production of audiovisual aids. Set against the background of timeless music, the doctrine of Chasidism and the life of the Baal Shem Tov are captured through a subtle contemporary art treatment. 70 frames.

No. 506230 Filmstrip

No. 506233 Cassette



"... [a] tzadik, whose name was Levi Yitzhok and who was known as the merciful one, had an argument with God. He even summoned God to a lawsuit, a Din Torah, in words and with a melody that have come down to us this day."

Modern Personalities / Europe



The coat of arms of Sir Moses Montefiore was decorated with a mountain of flowers corresponding to the meaning of his name in Italian. Queen Victoria later gave Montefiore special recognition by permitting him to add a lion and a stag as supporters to his coat of arms.

MOSES MONTEFIORE: A Century of Service

The long and active life (1784-1885) of Sir Moses Montefiore as well as his historical achievements are presented in original art which incorporates documentary photographs. 46 frames.

No. 507060



MARTIN BUBER: The Life in Dialogue

Beautiful and informative biography."

Educational Screen and A-V Guide

Highly recommended."

Church Management

The highlights of the life of Martin Buber in Germany and in Israel. Through impressionist illustrations, his I-Thou insights are made clear. 47 frames.

No. 526240



DR. LEO BAECK: Man of Faith

Silver Award of the American Film Assembly

Dr. Baeck's achievements as rabbi, scholar, communal leader, philosopher, and writer and his spiritual defiance of Hitlerism. 38 frames.

No. 506670

A Spanish translation of the teacher's guide is available.

Leaders in American Reform Judaism

ISAAC MAYER WISE:
Master Builder
of American Judaism



Isaac Mayer Wise is credited with the creation of the Union of American Hebrew Congregations, the Hebrew Union College, and the Central Conference of American Rabbis. Described here are Rabbi Wise's early years in Bohemia and his struggles in the United States until he became the rabbi of a Liberal congregation in Cincinnati. A meeting with Daniel Webster and an interview with President Lincoln are just two of the incidents illustrated. 36 frames.
No. 506540

(See also *To Find a Way*, page 51.)

DAVID EINHORN:
The Father of
the *Union Prayer Book*



Baltimore, 1860: Slave Market. Saddened and angered by its immorality, Rabbi David Einhorn actively protested against slavery throughout the United States.

Rabbi David Einhorn found it difficult to obtain a pulpit in his native Europe because of his liberal ideas; he had to flee Baltimore because of his stand against slavery during the Civil War. These episodes are portrayed as well as his literary talents which are evident in selections in the *Union Prayer Book*. 41 frames.
No. 506370

Dr. Nelson Glueck continued his archaeological explorations despite his heavy burdens as president of the HUC-JIR. He is here examining a Nabataean drawing approximately 2,000 years old.

DR. NELSON GLUECK:
Rabbi, Archaeologist,
Biblical Scholar



For description, see page 43.

RABBI STEPHEN S. WISE:
A Twentieth-Century Prophet



Rabbi Stephen S. Wise was an outstanding leader in the Zionist movement in Liberal Judaism and in the defense of Jewish rights. Also depicted is his role in exposing corrupt politicians, in furthering legislation against child labor and discrimination, and in founding the Free Synagogue, the American Jewish Congress, and the Jewish Institute of Religion.

43 frames.

No. 506700

A Spanish translation of the teacher's guide is available.



Identifying with persecuted minorities everywhere, Dr. Maurice N. Eisendrath was an early, outspoken supporter of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., and his nonviolent black followers.

**REBEL
WITH A CAUSE:**
The Life Work of
Rabbi Maurice N. Eisendrath

The career of Rabbi Eisendrath from his student days through his thirty years as president of the Union of American Hebrew Congregations. Highlights of his fight for the coal miners of West Virginia; for Al Smith and, later, John F. Kennedy, Catholic candidates for president; for free speech for "radicals" in Canada; against Nazi bigots in Germany and elsewhere. Also featured are Dr. Eisendrath's opposition to the war in Vietnam and his role in convening the World Conference of Religious Leaders for Peace. 87 frames.

No. 526150 Filmstrip

No. 526153 Cassette (recording of narration)

MODERN JEWISH HISTORY

Designed to augment several textbooks used in modern Jewish history courses, the three filmstrips comprising this series trace the history of the Jew from the expulsion from Spain in 1492 through the migrations to America and the birth of the State of

Israel in 1948 against the background of events taking place in the world at the same time.

Three teacher's guides accompany the set. No. 505010

1. The World Grows Larger

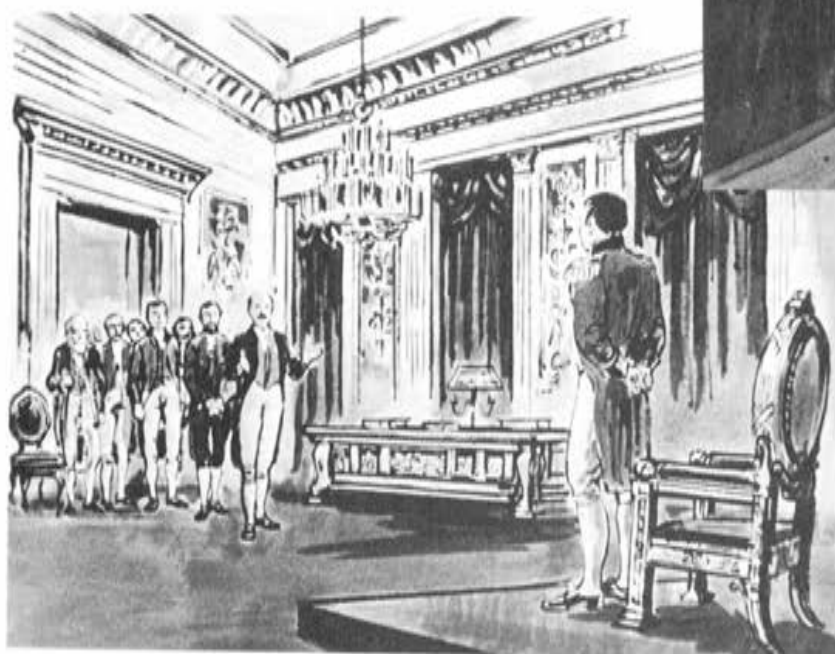
Begins with Columbus's discovery of America and ends with the conflict between the followers of the Vilna Gaon and the Chasidim, the adherents of the Baal Shem Tov. 41 frames.

2. The Struggle for Freedom and Light

Opens with the Declaration of Independence and its effects through Europe, showing how the Jews gradually won full citizenship in each country. It follows their migration to Palestine, and to the United States, until 1914. 40 frames.

3. Vision and Reality

Traces the adjustment of the European Jews to their new homelands; through the Balfour Declaration, World War II, and the Arab-Israeli wars. 44 frames.



In 1806, Napoleon called together an Assembly of Jewish Notables—rabbis and laypersons from France and its territories.



In 1488, the celebrated Jewish printing house of Soncino printed the first Hebrew Bible which became the model for all subsequent editions of the Scriptures.

300 YEARS:

Memorable Events in American Jewish History

Highlights of Jewish life in the United States and the contribution of Jews to its development. Particular attention is given to the growth of the American Jewish community and its religious institutions.

45 frames.

No. 506650

JUDAH TOURO: Friend of Man

Outstanding Filmstrip of Jewish Interest award by the National Council on Jewish Audio-Visual Materials

The life of the American Jewish patriot and philanthropist. 36 frames.

No. 506570

THE JEWS SETTLE IN NEW AMSTERDAM—1654

The story of the 23 Jews who came to New Amsterdam and their struggle for religious freedom. Also shown are the early days of Shearith Israel in juxtaposition to the present-day congregation. For junior high and up. 37 frames.

No. 506500

TO FIND A WAY

(Slide set)

The institutions of Reform Judaism founded by Rabbi Isaac Mayer Wise: background, beginnings, continuing expansion and growth. Accompanied by a dramatic, yet low-keyed script. 61 frames.

Note: The slides can be updated easily by replacing individual frames.

No. 526560



The Hebrew Union College—the oldest American rabbinical seminary—began in the basement of Cincinnati's Mound Street Temple.



A group of settlers—about twenty Jewish families—approaching the new colony of Savannah, Georgia, in 1733.



In 1823, Judah Touro rescued the First Congregationalist Church from financial disaster by buying the church building, which was sold at public auction, and then returning it to its congregation.

THE STORY OF HAYM SALOMON

Produced by the American Jewish Archives, HUC-JIR

Highlights in the life of the American Jewish patriot. 31 frames.

No. 506360

JNF SALUTES THE BICENTENNIAL

For description, see page 45.



Through its departments and affiliates, and through its commissions, established jointly with the CCAR, the UAHC keeps in touch with its member congregations—all over the United States and Canada. (The House of Living Judaism, New York City.)

THE HOLOCAUST

ANNE FRANK AND THE HOLOCAUST

The story of Anne Frank is incorporated into this documentary of the Holocaust to help today's young people understand this tragic period. *Special family photographs were made available by Otto Frank.* Junior high school up. 47 frames. No. 505050

(This filmstrip will prove helpful to classes studying the Holocaust, using *Out of the Whirlwind* by Rabbi Albert H. Friedlander, published by the UAHC.)



On Anne's thirteenth birthday, her parents gave her a diary. (Anne had a talent for writing and had already written a number of short stories and articles.) She vividly described the daily life and the personalities of the little community in the "secret annex" and confided in the plaid-covered diary which she affectionately addressed as "Kitty."



The "secret annex" was a few rooms in their establishment which Otto Frank and his business partner converted into living quarters for their families. A bookcase completely concealed the entrance to the cramped hiding place. Several loyal and brave employees, keeping the secret, supplied food from their own meager rations and provided the refugees with books and newspapers.

RESCUE IN DENMARK

In October, 1943, the Nazi occupation forces in Denmark planned to arrest the Jews and send them to concentration camps. The Danes, through their Resistance movement, thwarted this scheme and moved the Jews by boats to safety in Sweden. Documentary photographs and reports of survivors are included. Junior high up. 59 frames. No. 505040



There was joy for most of the new arrivals in reuniting with other Jews in a country where Jewishness was not a mark of shame but a source of pride."

Jews in Europe

In the spirit of *K'lal Yisrael*, the UAHC has issued an extensive series of filmstrips on Jewish communities in all parts of the world.

THE JEWS OF PRAGUE



The elaborate tomb of Rabbi Judah Loew is visited each year by thousands of people of all faiths.

The thousand-year-old Jewish community in Prague was so devastated during the Holocaust that it is now but a remnant. Its legacy is shown through its ceremonial treasures and its contemporary activities are shown through its people. 59 frames.
No. 506720

SCENES OF JEWISH LIFE IN ENGLAND

Based on the contemporary scene, it also treats aspects of Jewish history in England through several centuries. 85 frames.
No. 506200

GLIMPSES OF JEWISH LIFE IN FRANCE

In two parts, Jewish life in Paris, Marseilles, Nice, Lyon, Avignon, and Strasbourg and in the historic "museum" communities of Carpentras and Cavailon. A cassette recording of the narration (interviews, synagogue chants, and folk songs recorded on location) accompanies the set. Each filmstrip is divided into two sections, making this a full instruction unit or mini-course: Part 1—92 frames; Part 2—85 frames.

No. 506740 Set with cassette

GLIMPSES OF JEWISH LIFE IN BUDAPEST

There were 800,000 Jews in Hungary before the Holocaust . . . now there are less than 75,000. Shown here are the Jews of the city and their institutions (the National Rabbinical Seminary of Hungary is one of the oldest Jewish theological schools in existence). 53 frames.

No. 506710

JEWS IN ITALY

Jewish past is related to Jewish present with famous Italian manuscripts, art objects, and contemporary scenes of Venice, Florence, and Rome. The word "ghetto" derives from early sixteenth-century Venice—the ghetto of yesterday and of today is an absorbing segment. 56 frames.
No. 506310

THE JEWS OF RUMANIA

Jewish life—active and dynamic—behind the Iron Curtain. 72 frames.
No. 506810

JEWS IN SCANDINAVIA

The small, well-established Jewish communities of Norway, Denmark, and Sweden. 75 frames.
No. 506440

SOVIET JEWRY: Hope, Despair and Struggle



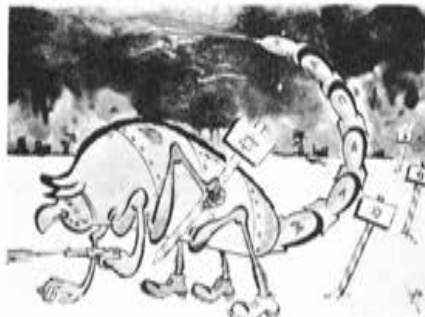
... a catalyst for further research and class debate."

School Library Journal

Slides of Jewish life from 1917 to the present. 69 frames.

Note: Keep your set current by inserting appropriate slides taken by anyone who has visited the Soviet Union and has slides of community protest activities in the US.

No. 541010



After the Six Day War, anti-Israel and anti-Jewish propaganda appeared in newspapers throughout Russia. Here Israel is pictured as a scorpion burning Arab towns with a fire-spurting tail marked "Napalm."

JEWS IN OTHER LANDS

THE JEWS OF SPAIN:

Glimpses of Their Life and History

A blend of the past and the contemporary through photographs—Jewish historical sites from the Golden Age and today's revived Jewish communities in Barcelona and Madrid. 59 frames. No. 506800

(This filmstrip can be used with the UAHC *Journey of Fifteen Centuries: The Story of the Jews in Spain*—a focus kit on the Golden Age.)

JEWS IN TURKEY

Sequences of Moslem holy places and museums as well as synagogues, seminaries, and the Bet Din provide a comparison between the two great religions. The filmstrip is in two full-length parts: Part 1—55 frames; Part 2—50 frames. No. 506190

REBIRTH AFTER 500 YEARS: Jewish Communities in Spain

Contemporary Jewish life in Spain. 87 frames. No. 521022



A kosher butcher shop in Malaga.

Jews in Africa and Asia

THE FALASHAS OF ETHIOPIA

The photographs are by Dr. Simon Messing who lived for an entire year among the Falashas: the exotic religious observances of these once-forgotten black Jews, the way they live—far from Ethiopian cities—and the occupations they follow. In two sections: Part 1—45 frames; Part 2—48 frames. No. 506220



Falashas make most of their own cloth on primitive looms like the one shown here. It is portable and is usually set up on the ground in the shade of the house. Note the hole that is dug under the loom, so the weaver will have room for his feet.

THE JEWS OF MOROCCO

The Moroccan Jewish community predates the destruction of the Second Temple in 70 C.E. Here are views of Jewish life in Tangiers, Casablanca, Meknes, Tetuan, and in the *mellah* (the ghetto which was introduced into Morocco in the thirteenth century). 65 frames. No. 506480

Jews in the Americas

SCENES FROM CANADIAN JEWISH HISTORY

Two hundred years of Canadian Jewish history—a panorama of the Jewish contribution to Canada's growth and development. 44 frames. No. 506040



During World War I, Lillian Freiman, of Ottawa, organized Red Cross activities. Later, assisted by Henrietta Szold, she built the Canadian Hadassah into the country's most effective women's organization. Among her many awards, Mrs. Freiman was named Officer of the Order of the British Empire (OBE) by King George V in 1934—the first Jew in Canada granted this honor.



The first Jew to hold a ministerial office in Canada and also the first to be appointed to the Canadian Senate (in 1955), Senator David Croll is an outstanding activist for social justice.

THE JEWS OF MEXICO

A close look at the thriving Jewish community: the many facets of contemporary life, the Indians of Venta Prieta who claim to be descendants of the Marranos, and the synagogues of the Sephardim and Ashkenazim. 67 frames. No. 507050

THREE HISTORIC JEWISH COMMUNITIES IN THE CARIBBEAN

There is a wealth of Jewish historical interest in the Caribbean islands of Jamaica, St. Thomas, and Curaçao: The oldest standing synagogue in the Western Hemisphere is in Curaçao; Jamaica granted Jews full citizenship rights before England and the United States; the Jews of St. Thomas supplied arms to George Washington. 86 frames. No. 507070

For Little Children

HIGH HOLY DAYS FOR KINDERGARTEN AND PRIMARY GRADES



"Then we sing the blessing over the special Rosh Hashanah challahs. They are round like a year is round and have sweet raisins in them."



"Our rabbi reads from the Torah about the time Moses called the Israelites together and gave them God's commandments. Moses said, 'Do not say that these commandments are too hard to understand or too hard to obey. You can understand them and you can obey them if you really try.'"

Young children help their parents prepare for Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur and celebrate these holidays at home and in the synagogue. Several sequences represent such basic concepts as repentance and atonement. For kindergarten through third grade. 57 frames.

No. 506300

CHANUKAH: Festival of Lights

A second-grade class in step-by-step preparation for celebrating Chanukah at home and in the synagogue. Several craft projects are demonstrated as the children make Chanukah presents for their parents and friends. 41 frames.

No. 506770

A TREE GROWS IN ISRAEL

For description, see page 45.

Prepared for the very young, these filmstrips can be used with the UAHC Holiday Craft Kit for the Jewish Child.

PASSOVER FOR LITTLE CHILDREN

Sequences on the symbols of the Seder service, the reenactment of the story of Moses, class preparations for the children's Seder. Several craft projects are shown (instructions on materials are in the teacher's guide). 36 frames.

No. 506340

SUKOT AND SIMCHAT TORAH

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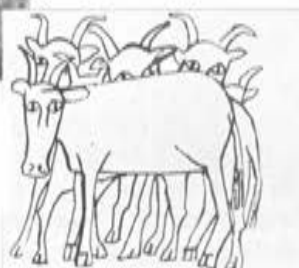
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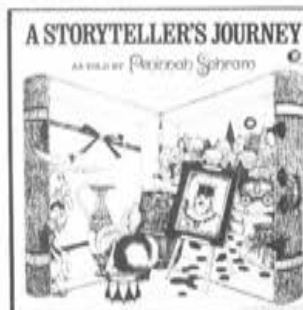
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Out race

February 18, 1981

Zuelo Bymkho, Sr.
P.O. Box 62
Novalickes, Metro Maila 3006
The Philippines

Dear Mr. Bymkho:

Your letter of January 27 has just reached me and I hasten to respond.

It was good of you to share with me some of your background and desire to continue your Jewish studies. Much to my regret, I cannot provide a positive response to your request for aid. Our organization serves Reform congregations in the United States and Canada, we depend upon funding from member congregations to sustain our program and we do not have funds available for grants to individuals. Your request simply does not fall within the purview of our organization.

With every good wish, I am

Sincerely,

Alexander M. Schindler



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Zuelo Bymkio Sr., P.O. Box 68, Novaliches, Metro Manila - 3006, THE PHILIPPINES

Shebat 27, 2518 D.T.

Rabbi Alexander Schindler
Union of American Hebrew Congregations
838 Fifth Ave., N.Y., New York 10021-USA.

□ 1728 to you dear Rabbi Schindler,

It was in the late of 1967 that I heard of the Friends of Proselytes in Israel by Mr Joseph Schur. But I was already converted to Judaism years earlier; only I did not know it was Judaism until few years later. I first built an altar of 12 stones sometime before Siwan 6, 2504 D.T according to Exo. 20:25. I don't believe animal sacrifices was necessary upon knowing Isaiah's first chapter.

Then I felt some interest to come to Israel or in the U.S. seeking school admission for a legitimate Jewish studies. At first intent, in 1971 I consulted the late Earrest Sainke - former Consulate General of Israel in his office here for a working grant in a Jewish school, but no such grant was available for me. For lack of finances to guide my interest I have just projected it in my thoughts. Such barriers suggest a sheer impossibility of advancing with a Rabbinical career for me. May be it is a part of my long way to Judaism.

I know that my birthright position inherent me the holiness of ministering to YHVH אלהים (pronounced YAHVEH, according to Exo. 20:7, Ha'Shem is not to be uttered in vain talking, ONLY in prayer where no one can hear), seeking Gerim □ 171 for Him and to form the Sanctuary among ourselves. Gen. 17:12.

Much earlier than my contact with Sainke, I already wrote articles for the paper I called "The Verifier." I was so moved and much impressed in advancing the divine plan for man with it on the basis of I Kgs 8:26. It was Ethel, 2505 D.T. or "Dan. 9:24 Time." The last issue that comes out in Adar, 2515 D.T. was number 26 and a copy of that was sent to Israel. Mr Moshe Dathan informed me that "The Verifier" was donated to the Jewish National and University Library. Later on, I received a letter from the said library asking me for the complimentary copy of The Verifier every time it comes out

LIBERTY:

"Freedom from restraint"

JUSTICE:

"The quality of being lawful"

TRUTH:

"The reality of proven facts"

FAITH:

"Submission to the Divine Will"

INTELLIGENCE:

"Sound thinking"

to place it in the permanent deposit holdings for the use of scholars and researchers. The library wrote me three times already.

I stop it temporarily for our financial resources is insignificant and unpeccunious. Current postage rate is too sky high. Besides, there is the heavy pressure of printing cost laid before me. Not only the Jewish library had written me. Other schools, individuals and friends or acquaintances were asking for "The Verifier," an ~~Heb~~ Oracular Journal for loving Hebraic Wisdom.

Whereas, I stand in needs of funds to spend for books on Jewish subjects, unabridged dictionary, Encyclopaedias, typewriter and a small offset press or Ricoh offset 1010 with Ricoh Electronic Printer S-1 for the Treasury Center for Hebraic Wisdom of the Sanctuary. But all of these much expensive things: I cannot in one way or another afford to bear them alone. I earned a living on a small "buy and sell" enterprise. And since it was small it could not be a good support for more than enough.

Thus, to those who makes for themselves greater riches in general welfare - material, moral, and Spiritual, my appeal for financial assistance is most humbly subscribed. I believe that through the distribution of Tzedakah $\pi\pi\tau\chi$: by it I can be afforded with financial assistance for the propagation of Judaism (Yahudoth) here in my islands.

Indeed, we are poor of material possessions or wealth, but we are NOT in the belief of begging money for personal gains, neither at all times becomes dependent on Tzedakah. But it may well be imperative to show our aims and objectives as to where the money must be spent. I am aware of the fact that it is shameful to lean on Tzedakah if such is only served as a steppingstone of proclivity towards lust, vices, and greed. Prov. 12:20. In one accord, hope, faith and want, the Sanctuary here is laid with ~~our~~ most touching prayers for the progress of our material and Spiritual aspects and development under our pioneering efforts for the cause of Judaism. And I believe that I had been fair in dealing to you our problems with the knowledge of the Torah which has build for me a program for more greater hopes to my existence and Work.

HALLELU-ELOHIM.

Sincerely yours in YHVH,
ZUELO BYMKHO SR. ~~Dr~~ Dymitris.

Outreach

December 30, 1980

Mr. Joel Eigen
bei Volz
Ebersdorfer Str. 111-b
1000 Berlin 20
West Germany

Dear Mr. Eigen:

Your letter of December 17 has just reached me and I hasten to reply. I was touched by your desire to learn more about your religious roots and your Jewish heritage. Be assured of my eagerness to aid you in any way I can.

Enclosed herewith is a copy of a magazine published by the UAHC for young people in our religious schools. KEEPING POSTED is also read by many adults and the issue I share is devoted to the theme, "What is Reform?" I also enclose herewith a course outline for our Introduction to Judaism classes which includes a listing of the textbooks used in these classes which are geared to prospective converts to Judaism. There are some fine basic texts listed and if you have difficulty obtaining them in Germany we will be pleased to help you obtain them from this end.

There is a fine Reform rabbi in West Germany who serves several Liberal congregations which are part of the World Union for Progressive Judaism, the organization of Liberal congregations outside of the United States. While we use the term Reform here, most overseas congregations prefer to be called Liberal or Progressive and, of course, many of the overseas groups tend to be a bit more traditional than the congregations of our movement on the American scene. Rabbi N. Peter Levinson is a graduate of our Reform seminary, Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion, and I believe you would enjoy meeting him and that he would be helpful to you in your search for more knowledge of Judaism. He can be reached at 6900 Heidelberg - Rohrbach, Kuhler Grand 62 and his telephone number is 06221 36948. I am taking the liberty of sharing this letter with him so he is aware of your inquiry.

In response to your query on conversion, I enclose herewith two addresses I gave to the Board of the UAHC which will be of interest to you.

With every good wish, I am

Sincerely,

Alexander M. Schindler

cc: Rabbi N. Peter Levinson

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bei Volz
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W. Germany

December 17, 1980

Union of American Hebrew Congregations
Office of Alexander Schindler, President
838 Fifth Avenue
New York, N.Y. 10021

Dear Mr. Schindler:

I write with two requests, one general and the other more specific.

The general request is for information that might help me to answer the question: Just what is Reform Judaism?

By way of brief introduction and partial explanation I should explain that my immigrant grandparents were active members of their respective Reform congregations, while the next generation drifted into more secular variety of the faith. This generation (i.e., me) expects to find itself living and working here in Berlin for several years. The critical role this city has played for Judaism, both during the tragic period earlier in this century as well as the creative years before, make unavoidable an awareness of my personal religious roots and with this a sense of responsibility towards continuing these traditions. So please whatever appropriate you might send--pamphlet, suggested reading list, etc.

The other more specific and limited request is for whatever public information you might have on a policy decision I vaguely remember reading about earlier this year. Namely, that Reform Jews in the U.S. (I assume the UAHC) had adopted a policy that would return Judaism to being a religion of conviction and conversion as well as of simple birthright. This is a policy I would support and consider long (about 1900 years) overdue.

Thanks for your help with both of these requests.

Sincerely,

Joel Eigen

Outreach

November 13, 1980

Rabbi George W. Ruben
The Free Synagogue
4/66 Stafford Road
Artarmon, N.S.W. 2064
AUSTRALIA

Dear George:

It was thoughtful of you to send me the article from the Australian Jewish Times of Sydney. I appreciate your having done so.

I also want to thank you for your gracious contribution to the work of our Takk Force on Outreach. Many, many thanks for this positive and tangible evidence of your support.

With every good wish, I am

Sincerely,

Alexander M. Schindler

Rabbi Alexander M. Schindler

November 13, 1981

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Rabbi Seltzer

Enclosed is \$20, Australian, which we received for the Task Force on Outreach. The gift was sent by Rabbi George W. Ruben, the Free Synagogue, 4/66 Stafford Road, Artarmon, N.S.W. 2064.

INDEPENDENCE DAY DILEMMA

Melbourne and Sydney reject Zionist Federation speaker

The Zionist Federation of Australia is without a guest speaker for the 1981 Yom Ha'atzmaut (Israel Independence Day) celebrations in Sydney and Melbourne.

This follows decisions by the State Zionist Councils of NSW and Victoria to reject Rabbi Dr Alexander Shindler as guest speaker.

Dr Shindler, a leading American Reform rabbi, had originally been invited as guest speaker for the 1980 celebrations but had postponed his projected visit because of previous commitments.

The original invitation was issued by the Zionist Federation's Melbourne-based executive and was re-issued by the new Sydney-based executive earlier this year.

In July this year the

State Zionist Council of NSW agreed to invite Dr Shindler to visit Sydney for Yom Ha'atzmaut.

At the time, however, there were doubts expressed about the advisability of inviting Dr Shindler to Sydney because of views he had expressed publicly on Zionist issues in the United States.

In August a rescission resolution was lodged with the SZC but this was not discussed until the SZC executive meeting early in October.

This latter meeting had before it copies of the

statements made by Dr Shindler and the executive members fully debated the desirability of having Rabbi Shindler as guest speaker.

By a majority vote the rescission motion was carried and NSW SZC president Arnold Newhouse, wrote to the Federation advising that his council could 'no longer be associated with the visit of Rabbi Shindler as guest speaker for the 1981 Yom Ha'atzmaut celebrations'.

Mr Newhouse said that Rabbi Shindler would be very welcome at any other time than for Yom Ha'atzmaut celebrations where it was felt that his presence might be divisive for the community.

NOT ACCEPTABLE

Victorian SZC president, Mark Leibler, in a letter to Zionist Federation president, Dr Albert Silver said his executive had unanimously decided that Rabbi Shindler would not be acceptable as the guest speaker for the 1981 Independence Day celebrations being organised under its auspices.

"It was the view of my Executive that the invitation originally extended to Rabbi Shindler by the Federation Executive should be reconsidered, in light of the fact that Rabbi Shindler was a signatory to the statement issued by 56 prominent American Jews highly critical of the Israeli Government.

"The fact that Rabbi Shindler was a signatory to the statement in question, only came to light after the invitation had been issued by the Federation.

FREEDOM

"As you know, it is the view of my executive that, within the Zionist movement and the Jewish community, there ought to be complete freedom of expression of views relating to the policy of the Government of the State of Israel provided only that views are not expressed in a manner or context which is likely, or calculated, to cause harm to the State of Israel.

"It is the understanding of my executive that the statement to which Rabbi Shindler was a signatory

was released not merely for Jewish or Israeli consumption, but was also issued or leaked to the general press." Mr Leibler said.

The following is taken from extracts of the Statement reproduced in "The New York Times" of July 2, 1980: "Extremists in the public and within the Government, guided by secular and religious chauvinism, distort Zionism and threaten its realisation. They advance the vicious cycle of extremism and violence, which nurture each other. Their way endangers and isolates Israel, undermining the ethical basis for our claims to a life of peace and security."

Mr Leibler said "It is the view of my executive that the statement in question,

having regard to its contents and the manner in which it was released, was likely or calculated to cause harm to the State of Israel.

"The public ventilation in the general media of views which are highly critical of the Israeli Government is counter productive, provides ammunition to our enemies and causes positive harm to the State of Israel and the Zionist movement.

"The world at large is sufficiently critical of Israel's policies and needs no further encouragement from American Jewish leaders.

"I wish to emphasise that the foregoing decision was not taken lightly.

"The question of Rabbi Shindler's invitation was



• Rabbi Shindler

discussed at three different executive meetings and the whole matter was carefully reconsidered at length at the last executive meeting held on October 7 having regard to the representations contained in your letter to me of September 18 1980.

"In light of the foregoing, I have initiated enquiries with a view to securing an alternative guest speaker from Israel for the Council's 1981 Independence Day function," Mr Leibler said.

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Rabbi Alexander M. Schindler, D.D.

President Union of American Hebrew Congregations

838 Fifth Avenue,

New York, N.Y. 10021

November 6th 1980

Dear Alexander,

Here I am again. Enclosed you find an article from The Australian Jewish Times of Sydney which I consider an outrage and insult towards you and your noble work for our Faith and a humane type of real Zionism in opposition to un-Jewish and unethical jingoism that threatens to destroy the fruit of our labours in Eretz Yisrael. I shall speak in defense of you and advertise this in the Jewish Press. That paper publishes only my Congregational Column and ads, for both of which I have to pay, but for sometime is afraid to publish anything coming from my pulpit or other activities of the Free Synagogue. Phony Orthodoxy and a pseudo Liberalism bedecked with quaint Orthodox customs, so unbecoming for us, as you rightly warned in your brilliant Presidential Address, do their best to prevent a timid and insincere Jewish newspaper to give publicity to our Independant Free Synagogue. Since Dr Sanger's death, and Rabbi Brasch's stay in the U.S.A. I mourn for my first and last love, Liberal and Progressive Judaism that becomes more and more an Illiberal ghetto in Australia. In the olden days the formation of Liberal synagogues, here and in New Zealand was termed Splitting the Jewish Community. When I became the first Liberal Rabbi of Perth, W.A., I was slightly attacked by a huffy Liberal establishment in Melbourne and Sydney, somehow Orthodoxy left me alone. Now as you notice every alternate viewpoint is considered Divisive in Australia, thus the Australian Union considers me ^{the Zionist leader} like you divisive i.e. I am ostracized by my own with the exception of the Perth and Brisbane Liberal Congregations though individual Liberal Jews are friendly with me and are worshippers at the Free Synagogue. Yet as an Australian Jew and Rabbi, I must apologise to you that my country dared to invite and exvite you, an outstanding leader in Israel.

Now something positive. Permit me to send you a tangible token, the small amount of \$A20.00 for your Task Force to attract the unChurched! This surely is a mitzvah. In the meantime Dr Gottschalk has also interceded on my behalf with the President of the World Union, he knows me personally. You have my fullest support for all your fine work for our Faith and humanity. Wishing you well, Yours as ever,

George.

Outreach

May 8, 1980

Mr. Manfred Backhausen
den Fasanenweg 7
5024 Pulheim-Sinthern
West Germany

Dear Mr. Backhausen:

I was pleased to receive your letter from Jerusalem and to learn of your interest in learning more about the Jewish faith and people. You ask about the Union of American Hebrew Congregations, we are the national congregational body of Reform Judaism in the United States and Canada and our constituency consists of some 1.2 million Reform Jews who are members of our 735 congregations. I enclose herewith a pamphlet which describes our program and services.

We maintain an affiliation with the World Union for Progressive Judaism which embraces Progressive (Reform) Congregations throughout the world. I am, therefore, taking the liberty of sharing your letter with Rabbi N. Peter Levinson of the Oberrat Der Israeliten Badens. He serves as spiritual leader of several congregations in West Germany. Rather than seek to send you bulky materials and books which will be obtainable only here in the U.S., I believe Rabbi Levinson will be able to suggest to you publications which you will be able to obtain from him or other sources in West Germany or Europe. He is a lovely human being and I am confident you will be hearing from him directly.

With every good wish, I am

Sincerely,

Alexander M. Schindler

cc: Rabbi N. Peter Levinson

Manfred Backhausen

5024 Pulheim-Sinthern, den
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West-Germany

Jerusalem, 27th of April 1980

Dear Sirs,

I'm a Roman Catholic at time and I stay for any weeks in Israel. At home, I have mostly contact with Jewish friends and so I learned many many things about your religion. At time I write many articles in little history books and newspapers about Judaism and I help to write an chronicle about the former Jewish community of Stommeln, which is today a part of my community of Pulheim. We are restaurating the only one not in the so called "Reichskristallnacht" destroyed synagogue of the rhineland.

At time I read the Talmud (Babylonian) and the book from Leo Hirsch about "Jewish Religious World". Any weeks ago I had read the translated book from two American Jews about the "History of Jewish People" (from the Jewish Teacher Union of Switzerland).

I have a vry good contact and friendship with the former Rabbi of Cologne Dr. Meir Levinger, the Rashi Association in USA and the Anti Defamation League of B'nai Brit.

Are you able to send me any information about you organisation and the way to be a real Jew. The problem for me is, that I cannot believe longer that Jeus was the son of our God.

I thank you very very much and I'm looking forward to hear from you again.

With friendly greetings and

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P.S. I beg your pardon for my very bad English, but it's not my mother language!

M. Backhausen
Fasanenweg 7
5024 Pulheim-Sinthern
West-Germany



Rabbi

Alex M. Schindler

c./o.

Union of American Hebrew Congregations

New York

U.S.A.

May 31, 1979

Mr. Stefan Meisels
Karrtorpsvagen 51
S-121 55 Johanneshov
Sweden

Dear Mr. Meisels:

Your letter of May 23 has just reached me and I will answer your questions ad seriatum:

1/ Our congregations are prepared to accept as members children born to couples where the father is Jewish and the mother non-Jewish, provided this step has the free assent of the non-Jewish parent.

2/ We have encountered no problem on this score because the determination to rear the child Jewishly is generally made before the child is born and so a brit is the norm. Again, with the assent of the non-Jewish mother. I suppose that even if there had been no brit and the decision to rear the child Jewishly was made at a somewhat later time we would accept the child to be reared Jewishly and consider the moment of Bar/Bat Mitzvah as the de facto conversion.

3/ We do tell the couple about the difficulties that would be encountered should the child of such a marriage at some future time choose an orthodox partner as a spouse or seek to move to Israel. Generally speaking, this is no hindrance to the full participation by the child.

It is my earnest conviction that everything possible should be done to draw the non-Jewish partner into the orbit of the Jewish community and the synagogue to achieve, if at all possible, the ultimate conversion of the non-Jewish partner to Judaism or, barring that, to make certain that the children issuing from such marriages are reared as Jews.

With kindest greetings, I am

Sincerely,

Alexander M. Schindler

JUDISKA STUDENTKLUBBEN

JEWISH STUDENT CLUB IN STOCKHOLM

Stockholm, May 23, 1979

Dear Sir,

The Jewish Student Club in Stockholm publishes a quarterly by the name of Synergi. This paper is distributed over the whole of Scandinavia in about 5.000 copies.

Presently there is a debate going on within the community in Stockholm conc. membership criteria. The board of the community is about to adopt new statutes and it is in connection with this that the debate has started.

In the next issue of the paper we plan to publish an article about this question. As we would like to compare the situation to the one existing in other places we take the liberty to approach you with a request to answer the following questions.

1. Is your congregation/the congregations your members serve in, prepared to accept as members children born to a couple where the father is Jewish and the mother non-Jewish (i.e. halachically speaking the child is a non-Jew)?
2. If yes - are there any conditions attached to membership as mila or t'vilah at a certain age, etc?
3. Do your congregation/members of your organization approach the mentioned couples to inform them about differences in opinion, as the halachic view, as to the religious position of the child?

We would much appreciate an early reply to these questions and would like to express our gratitude in advance.

Yours Sincerely

Stefan Meisels
on behalf of the editorial board

Answers are requested to be addressed to: Stefan Meisels, Kärntorpsvägen 51,
S-121 55 JOHANNESEBY, Sweden

*Union of American Hebrew Congr.
New York*



March 12, 1979

Mr. Peter Kohlert
Schloss Str. 11
5100 Aachen
West Germany

Dear Mr. Kohlert:

Thank you for your letter expressing interest in my recent address on Outreach. For your perusal, I enclose herewith the complete text of my address which I believe will be of interest to you.

Our Task Force has just been named and they will be meeting within the next few months to discuss the manner in which our Outreach program is to be implemented. From a reading of my full address you will note that the Task Force will be concerned with outreach to those who have converted to Judaism, to mixed married couples, and to those who seek to embrace Judaism.

Here in the States we have ongoing programs for those who wish to convert. There is a period of study and counsel with the rabbi, a bibliography of books on Jewish history and religion, and an introduction to the ritual of our people.

In regard to your own interest in regard to conversion, I can tell you that the World Union of Progressive Judaism has a number of congregations in West Germany, Belgium and The Netherlands. I am not certain which would be closest to you geographically and thus I write to suggest that you be in touch with Rabbi N. Peter Levinson who serves Jewish congregations in a few communities. You can contact him at 6900 Heidelberg - Rohrbach, Kuhler Grund 62. His telephone number is 06221 36948.

With every good wish, I am

Sincerely,

Alexander M. Schindler

Encl.

cc: Rabbi N. Peter Levinson

To

Rebbs Shindler

N.Y.

Dear Rebbs Shindler,

Some weeks
ago I read an article
about the problems of mixed
marriage in your community,
published in "Jiddische Allgemeine".

I'm quite interested and
involved in this problem;
that's the reason why I would