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You are cordially invited to attend the National Conference for Israel, under the auspices of the United Palestine Appeal, on Saturday evening, October 22nd and Sunday, October 23rd, 1949, at the Hotel Shoreham, Washington, D.C.

With the establishment of the State of Israel and the opening of the gates to unrestricted immigration, the State is faced with a constellation of new problems and challenges. It is the principle purpose of this Conference, therefore, to analyze the efforts of the past, and, at the same time, to chart a detailed program for American Jewry's effective participation in Israel's momentous tasks of immigration and resettlement. In this work we will be guided and aided by experts who, through intensive and first-hand surveys of the whole new range of problems, will be able to provide the latest, behind-the-scenes reports on conditions in Israel.

Outstanding leaders in Israel and distinguished figures in American life will participate in this Conference. Please advise us now of your intention to join us in this historic National Conference so that appropriate accommodations may be made.

For your convenience a return card is enclosed.

Sincerely yours,

Acting National Chairman

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## **Conference Sessions**

SATURDAY EVENING

8:00 P.M.

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10:00 A.M.

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LUNCHEON SESSION 1:00 P.M.

All Sessions at the Shoreham Hotel

### **Guest Speakers**

#### Judge Morris Rothenberg

National Chairman, United Jewish Appeal Acting National Chairman, United Palestine Appeal President, Jewish National Fund *Presiding* 

Honorable Eliahu Elath Israeli Ambassador to the United States.

General Lucius D. Clay Former Military Governor, American Zone in Germany.

Major-General John H. Hilldring Former Member of the United States Delegation to the United Nations.

Honorable Herbert H. Lehman Former Governor, State of New York. Honorary Chairman, United Jewish Appeal of Greater New York.

Honorable Henry Morgenthau General Chairman, \$250,000,000 United Jewish Appeal.

Dr. Nahum Goldman Chairman, American Section, Jewish Agency.

#### **Daniel Frisch**

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Mrs. Samuel Halprin President, Hadassah.

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**Charles Ress** 

President, Palestine Foundation Fund.

**Max Kirshblum** 

Executive Vice President, Mizrachi.

September 16, 1919

Mr. Hyman Schulson American Zionist Council 1200 - 18th Street, N.W. Washington, D. C.

My dear Schulson:

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I understand you tried to reach me yesterday. I am sorry that I was not in. What was it about?

Can you tell me whether General Lucius D. Clay is a good speaker? We are celebrating our centennial year at The Temple and among the activities planned for the year are a few visiting speakers, both lay and cleric, to occupy The Temple pulpit on Sunday mornings during the year. I should like to invite General Clay to speak at The Temple some Sunday morning. Will you find out whether he is available.

With all good wishes, I remain

Most cordially yours,

ABBA HILLEL SILVER

To: Bishop G. Bromley Oxnam 150 Fifth Avenue New York 11, N.Y.

Dr. Solomon B. Freehof 4915 Fifth Avenue Pittsburgh 13, Pa.

W Nold Justice Wm. O. Douglas W Nold U.S. Supreme Court Washington, D. C. Gen. Lucius D. Clay c/o Mrs. W. W. Dwyer So. Yarmouth, Mass.

Dr. Jas. B. Conant, President Harvard University Ca bridge, Mass.

9/1 Harold E. Stassen, President September 19, 1949

Archibald MacLeish 9/28 Boylston Prof. of Rhetoric & Oratory Harvard University

Dr. Ralph J. Bunche Director, Division of Trusteeships United Nations Lake Success Flushing, Long Island New York

My dear Dr. Bunche:

The Temple of Cleveland is celebrating its hundredth anniversary this year. It is the largest liberal Jewish congregation in the United States. I have had the privilege of being its officiating minister for 32 years. The Temple has played a significant role, we believe, in the life of the Cleveland community and in the religious life of our country.

In connection with the special activities planned for the centennial year, the Board of The Temple has decided to invite to its pulpit a number of the outstanding men of the nation to address the congregation to bring to the congregation and through it, to the nation, such messages as they deem appropriate. Our services are held on Sunday mornings.

The Board is eager to extend to you an invitation to be one of the guest speakers. It would give me deep pleasurs indeed if I could welcome you to The Temple and present you to the congregation. We should like you to come some Sunday morning most convenient to you in the next few months. If you could indicate a few Sundays that you may be free, it would help us in building up our schedule.

I trust that you will find the time to honor us with your presence. The Temple will, of course, meet all expenses and honoraria involved.

With all good wishes, I remain

Most cordially yours,

ABBA HILLEL SILVER

RABBI SOLOMON B. FREEHOF, D. D. RODEF SHALOM TEMPLE FIFTH AND MOREWOOD AVENUES PITTSBURGH 13. PENNSYLVANIA

September 21, 1949

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver The Temple East 105th Street at Ansel Road Cleveland 6, Ohio

Dear Abba:

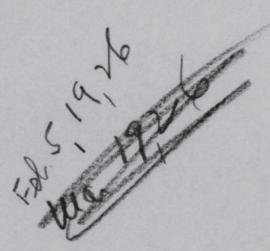
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I shall certainly be glad to speak for you some Sunday morning, although, as you know, we also have Sunday morning services. Of course, it would be easier for me if it could be any Sunday from February on, in other words some time in the springtime. My own work begins to ease up and it is more pleasant travelling. But count on me to preach one of the Sundays.

With best wishes for a happy New Year from Lillian and me to Virginia and yourself, I am

As ever,

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22 September 1949

ADRESSE TELEGRAPHIQUE, UNATIONS NEW YORK

Dear Dr. Silver,

I wish to acknowledge receipt of your letter of 19 September extending to me a kind invitation to address the congregation of the Temple of Cleveland sometime within the next few months.

It is with regret that I must inform you of my inability to accept your invitation. Unfortunately, my duties with the United Nations in the coming months will permit me to undertake only a very few speaking engagements and my 1949-50 speaking calendar is already full. From now until December the General Assembly will be in session here and my duties with it are such as to permit me very little free time.

I am aware of the importance of your meetings and am particularly sorry that my work-schedule will not permit my attendance.

Sincerely yours,

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Ralph'J. Hynche Director Department of Trusteeship

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver, The Temple, East 105th Street at Ansel Road, Cleveland 6, Ohio

G. BROMLEY OXNAM BISHOP OF THE METHODIST CHURCH THE NEW YORK AREA 150 FIFTH AVENUE, NEW YORK II, N.Y.

September 23, 1949

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver, D. D. The Temple East 105th Street at Ansel Road Cleveland 6, Ohio

My dear Rabbi Silver:

I deeply appreciate your generous invitation of September 19th. Your Temple and your own great leadership have been a constant source of inspiration to all liberal minded men and women for many years. I shall count it, therefore, a great honor to be with you in the event we can work out a satisfactory Sunday.

It is a little difficult for me to suggest several Sundays. There are 1432 churches under my immediate jurisdiction, and before I know it I have promised to be in so many of them upon Sunday after Sunday that the Sundays are gone and my schedule almost imprisons me. It is literally true that all of my Sundays but two for the next year and a half have been promised. It is embarrassing to me to suggest a definite Sunday, because I know how difficult it is to work out programs of this kind. It appears that the only Sunday that I could come would be Sunday, March 26th. There is a slight possibility that I could make an adjustment for Sunday, March 5th and possibly for Sunday, February 5th. The Sundays between now and then are gone. Would March 26th be putting the matter over too long? I note you say "this year", and that may mean that it would have to be in 1949. I should be very much disappointed to be denied the privilege of being with you, if it be that your centennial celebration is restricted to 1949.

With kindest personal regards, believe me,

Ever sincerely yours,

J. Bromley Oxuan,

G. Bromley Oxnam

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September 26, 1949

Bishop G. Bromley Oxnam 150 Fifth Avenue New York 11, New York

My dear Bishop:

I was very happy to receive your letter and your gracious acceptance to occupy our pulpit during our centennial year. Our people will look forward to your coming and to your message with great expectation. Sunday, March 26, 1950, is altogether satisfactory to us. We have entered this date on our centennial calendar.

With all good wishes and looking forward with pleasure to your presence in our madst, I remain

Most cordially yours,

ABBA HILLEL SILVER

September 26, 1949

Dr. Solomon B. Freehof 4915 Fifth Avenue Pittsburgh 13, Pa.

My dear Sol:

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Thank you so much for your letter of September 21st. I am delighted that you will be able to be with us on Sunday morning during our centennial year. How would February 19th or February 26th be?

With all good wishes, I remain

As ever yours,

ABBA HILLEL SILVER

RABBI SOLOMON B. FREEHOF, D. D. RODEF SHALOM TEMPLE FIFTH AND MOREWOOD AVENUES PITTSBURGH 13, PENNSYLVANIA

September 28, 1949

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver The Temple East 105th Street at Ansel Road Cleveland 6, Ohio

Dear Abba:

February 19 would be fine. Put me down for

that date.

Happy New Year.

As ever, Sel

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September 28, 1949

Mr. Herbert Bayard Swope 745 Fifth Avenue New York, New York

My dear Mr. Swope:

I trust that you are well, and I send you my warmest greetings for the New Year.

I want to consult you about a matter, religious rather than political. My Temple is celebrating this year its hundredth anniversary. In connection with the celebration we are planning a civic banquet on May 18, 1950, which will be attended by the representatives of the community and of the state, as well as by leading figures in American religious life. The Temple, with which I have been identified for 32 years, has played an important role in the spiritual life of American Judaism.

We should like to bring to this Centennial Dinner an outstanding leader of our country. We should like to invite Mr. Bernard M. Baruch. From many angles I think this would be most desirable. I do not know that Mr. Baruch's name has been prominently identified in recent years with the spiritual and religious life of America.

The centennial occasion will undoubtedly attract national attention, especially if Mr. Baruch is the guest speaker on this occasion. Would you inquire of Mr. Baruch whether he would think favorably of an invitation which I should be most eager to extend to him.

With all good wishes, I remain

Most cordially yours,

ABBA HILLEL SILVER

#### UNIVERSITY of PENNSYLVANIA PHILADELPHIA 4

OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

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September 29, 1949.

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver The Temple Cleveland 6, Ohio.

Dear Rabbi Silver:

Your kind letter of September 28th, addressed to Mr. Stassen, has been received in his office during his absence.

I will call your letter to his attention immediately upon his return early in October.

Sincerely yours,

Helen M. Orth

Secretary

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#### HARVARD UNIVERSITY CAMBRIDGE 38, MASSACHUSETTS

OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

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September 30, 1949

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver The Temple East 105th Street at Ansel Road Cleveland 6, Ohio

Dear Dr. Silver:

I deeply appreciate the honor you do me in inviting me to be one of the guest speakers during the hundredth anniversary celebration of The Temple of Cleveland, and regret that I must decline.

In scheduling speaking engagements away from Cambridge I must be careful not only in terms of my calendar but in geographical locations and Harvard alumni commitments as well. My plans for the present academic year have been made and I do not feel that I can fit in a trip to Cleveland. I hope you will understand my position and accept my regrets and apologies.

Very sincerely yours,

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HERBERT BAYARD SWOPE 745 FIFTH AVENUE New York 22, N.Y.

30 September 1949

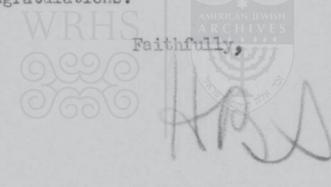
My dear Dr. Silver:-

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I'll look into the Baruch matter in connection with the centennial celebration of your Temple immediately.

You have my support and my congratulations.



Dr. Abba Hillel Silver The Temple 105th Street at Ansel Road Cleveland 6, Ohio

October 4, 1949

General Lucius D. Clay c/o Mrs. W. W. Dwyer South Yarmouth, Mass.

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My dear General Clay:

On September 19th I wrote you, inviting you to participate in the centennial program of my congregation by occupying my pulpit some Sunday morning during the next few months. I realize that it may be difficult for you to fit this into your busy schedule, but we are very and ous to have you with us, and we should appreciate hearing from you in order that we may plan our schedule for the year.

With all good wishes, I remain

Most cordial ly yours,

ABBA HILLEL SILVER

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Widener W Cambridge, Massachusetts October 6, 1949

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver The Temple East 105th Street at Ansel Road Cleveland 6, Ohio

My dear Rabbi Silver:

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I was very much flattered by your invitation and I wish I could come.

Unhappily, I have just taken on a new job at Harvard which is going to occupy all my time.

Again, thank you.

Faithfully yours,

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Archibald MacLeish

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#### UNIVERSITY of PENNSYLVANIA PHILADELPHIA 4

OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

October 11, 1949.

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver The Temple East 105th Street at Ansel Road Cleveland 6, Ohio.

Dear Rabbi Silver:

Your kind letter of September 28th, inviting me to address the Temple of Cleveland during the celebration of its hundredth anniversary, was called to my attention upon my return.

I deeply appreciate this invitation but regret my schedule in the near future will make it impossible for me to accept.

I would, however, like to take this opportunity to extend my congratulations to the Temple on its hundredth anniversary.

Sincerely,

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And Carpatitions to you on your remarked career

LUCIUS D. CLAY GENERAL, RETIRED U. S. ARMY

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P. O. Box 200 Pisgah Forest, N. C. 11 October 1949

Dear Rabbi Silver:

I wish that I could give you a date on which I could speak on your centennial program.

Unfortunately my commitments for the near future are heavier than they should be and it is going to be extremely difficult for me to meet my present schedule. I am very sorry and hope that you will understand.

Sincerely yours,

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Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver The Temple East 105th Street at Ansel Road Cleveland 6, Ohio

Temple Brith Rodesh

II7 GIBBS STREET Rochester 5, N.Y.

THE RABBI'S STUDY

October 13, 1949

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver The Temple East 105th Street at Ansel Road Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Abba:

I hope this helps. Cordially, Philip S. Bernstein

PSB/ir Enc. October 13, 1949

Mr. David E. Lilienthal United States Atomic Energy Commission Washington, D. C.

Dear David Lilienthal:

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Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver has just called to discuss the possibility of securing you for an address for the Hundredth Anniversary of his congregation in Cleveland. Although on the basis of our recent correspondence I could not altogether encourage him, I advised him to try.

Rabbi Silver, as you probably know, spearheaded the movement which led to the establishment of the State of Israel. He is the outstanding rabbi in this country and exercises considerable influence in various areas of American life. He is a close personal friend of Senator Taft. His congregation is, I think, the largest in the country.

Under the circumstances, I take the liberty of urging you to give serious consideration to his request. I know that you will make a profound and inspiring impression on his community, as you did here.

With warm personal regards,

As ever,

Philip S. Bernstein

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October 14, 1949

Mr. David E. Lilienthal Atomic Energy Commission Washington, D. C.

My dear Mr. Lilienthal:

The Temple of Cleveland is celebrating its one hundredth anniversary this year. It is the largest liberal Jewish congregation in the United States. I have had the privilege of being its officiating minister for 32 years. The Temple has played a significant role, we believe, in the life of the Cleveland community and in the religious life of our country.

In connection with the special activities planned for the centennial year, the Board of The Temple has decided to invite to its pulpit a number of the outstanding men of the nation to address the congregation to bring to the congregation and through it, to the nation, such messages as they deem appropriate. Our services are held on Sunday mornings.

The Board is eager to extend to you an invitation to be one of the guest speakers. It would give me deep pleasure indeed if I could welcome you to The Temple and present you to the congregation. We should like you to come some Sunday morning after November 27th most convenient to you. If you could indicate a few Sundays that you may be free, it would help us in building up our schedule. Sunday, December 18th, is being reserved for a special service so that that date cannot be used for guest speakers.

I trust that you will find the time to honor us with your presence. The Temple will, of course, meet all expenses and honoraria involved.

With all good wishes, I remain

Most cordially yours,

ABBA HILLEL SILVER

Supreme Court of the United States Mashington 13, D. C.

CHAMBERS OF JUSTICE WILLIAM O. DOUGLAS

October 17, 1949.

Dear Rabbi Silver:

I took the liberty of holding here for the personal attention of Mr. Justice Douglas your letter of September 19th, inviting him to address the congregation of The Temple Cleveland some Sunday in the near future.

The Justice expected to return east for the opening of Court on October 3rd. But as you know, he was seriously injured while riding a trail in the Cascade Mountains. He is still hospitalized in the Far West and as yet the date of his return to Washington, D.C. is indefinite. It is my guess, however, that he will not feel free to take on any speaking engagements for some months.

I know the Justice would wish me to express his regret that he cannot accept your invitation and to thank you for extending it.

Yours very truly,

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Edith Allen, Secretary to Mr. Justice Douglas.

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver, The Temple, East 105th Street at Ansel Road, Cleveland 6, Ohio. ATOMIC ENERGY COMMISSION WASHINGTON

October 24, 1949

Dear Rabbi Silver:

I am honored by your invitation to address the congregation of The Temple Cleveland in connection with the special activities planned for its one hundredth anniversary. I appreciate your thought of me but due to the pressure of work here and existing commitments it is impossible for me to accept your kind invitation.

Please accept my best wishes on this important occasion in the history of The Temple.

Sincerely,

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David E. Lilienthal Chairman

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver The Temple East 105th Street at Ansel Road Cleveland 6, Ohio

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Mrs. Max Meisel 2641 North Moreland Cleveland 20, Ohio

My dear Bertine:

In the course of my address this coming Sunday morning on "One Hundred Years of Temple History", I shall refer to the contribution made by your father and by Max to the progress of The Temple, and I thought that you and your family might wish to attend.

With all good wishes, I remain

Most cordially yours,

ABBA HILLEL SILVER

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Mrs. Benjamin Lowenstein 2585 Kemper Hoad Cleveland 20, Ohio

My dear Mrs. Lowenstein:

In the course of my address this coming Sunday morning on "One Hundred Years of Temple History", I shall refer to the contribution made by your husband, and I thought that you might wish to attend.

With all good wishes, I remain

Most cordially yours,

ABBA HILLEL STLVER

Mr. Lloyd Feder Hollenden Hotel Cleveland, Ohio

My dear Lloyd:

In the course of my address this coming Sunday morning on "One Hundred Years of Temple History", I shall refer to the contribution made by your mother, and I thought that you and the Feder clan would wish to attend.

With all good wishes, I remain,

Most cordially yours,

ABBA HILLEL SILVER

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Mrs. Walter A. Goldsmith 2550 Arlington Road Cleveland 18, Ohio

My dear Edith:

In the course of my address this coming Sunday morning on "One Hundred Years of Temple History", I shall refer to the contribution made by your mother, and I thought that you and your family might wish to attend.

With all good wishes, I remain

Most cordially yours,

ABBA HILLEL SILVER

[1950?]

January 3, 1949

Mr. Alfred A. May 1150 National Bank Building Detroit, Michigan

My dear Friend:

You may recall that on my last visit to Detroit, at which time you extended to me such gracious hospitality, I spoke to you about the possibility of Mr. Henry Ford II coming to The Temple for an address during its Centennial year. I have also spoken to our mutual friend, Mr. Abe Luntz, about it who said that he would communicate with you.

The Temple is one of the oldest and largest liberal Jewish congregations in the United States, and it plans to celebrate its 100th anniversary this year with a few events of unusual significance. Among others it plans to invite some outstanding national figures who have a significant message to bring to come to The Temple. We are very eager to have Mr. Ford to be one of these personalities to come as our guest to address our congregation, and through it, the nation on a subject of his choosing. If he can come to occupy The Temple pulpit some Sunday morning during the next few months, so much the better. If not, we shall be pleased to arrange an evening meeting on any week night other than Friday or Saturday.

We have invited Mr. Bernard Baruch, Bishop Oxnam, and others.

I am confident that Mr. Ford would greatly enjoy his visit with our Temple where the foremost men of the nation have from time to time spoken.

I would appreciate hearing from you at your earliest convenience whether Mr. Ford would be able to come to us. Mr. Luntz, who is Co-Chairman of The Temple Centennial Committee, would be very honored to arrange either a dinner in his home for Mr. Ford or a cocktail party to which some of the leading citizens of our community would be invited.

With all good wishes, I remain

Most cordially yours,

G. BROMLEY OXNAM BISHOP OF THE METHODIST CHURCH THE NEW YORK AREA 150 FIFTH AVENUE, NEW YORK 11, N.Y.

January 20, 1950

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver, D.D. The Temple East 105th Street at Ansel Road Cleveland 5, Ohio

My dear Dr. Silver:

I am enclosing herewith a memorandum of appointment in connection with Bishop Oxnam's engagement to be with you on March 26th. Will you please fill this in and return it at your earliest convenience?

Ever sincerely yours,

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Secretary to Bishop Oxnam

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THE COMMISSION ON PUBLIC INFORMATION OF THE METHODIST CHURCH

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#### BISHOP G. BROMLEY OXNAM Resident Bishop of the New York Area of The Methodist Church

Elected to the office of a Bishop by the General Conference in 1936 and assigned to the Omaha Area.

Born in Sonora, Calif. -- August 14, 1891. Married Ruth Fisher August 19, 1914. Children: Robert, Philip and Bette Ruth.

Education:

A.B., Univ of Southern Calif., 1913 S.T.B., Boston U., 1915 Litt. D., Boston U., 1930, Northeastern U., 1931 Graduate courses, Boston U., Harvard and Mass. Inst. Tech;

Studied in Japan, China and India, 1919, and at American Seminar, London, Eng., 1921. D.D., College of the Pacific, 1925, Wesleyan Univ., 1946

LL.D., Ohio Wesleyan, 1929, Wabash College, 1929, Univ. of Southern California, 1931, Allegheny College, 1946. D.Sc., Rose Polytechnic Institute, 1935.

L.H.D., DePauw University, 1938. S.T.D., Yale University, 1946.

Pastorates: Ordained 1916. Poplar Church, Calif., 1916-17 Church of All Nations, 1917-27.

Positions: Professor, Univ. of So. Calif., 1919-23 Professor Boston University School of Theology, 1927-28 Pres., DePauw Univ., Greencastle, Ind., 1928-36. Bishop Omaha Area, 1936-39. Bishop Boston Area, 1939-44 Bishop New York Area since 1944. Served as President of Federal Council of Churches, 1944-46. Pres. of the Division of Foreign Missions, Bd. of Missions and Church Extension, The Methodist Church Vice chairman of the Nethodist Commission on Chaplains and of the General Commission on Army and Navy Chaplains

Served on the National War Labor Board as a special mediator in labor disputes.

Co-President of the World Council of Churches, 1948.

Travel: Member of the American delegation to Russia, 1926. Representative of American churches at enthronement of Archbishop of Canterbury, 1945. Official visitor for joint chiefs of staff to Army and Navy chaplains, Mediterranean Theatre of Operations, 1945.

#### Author:

"The Mexican in Los Angeles" (1920); "Social Principles of Jesus" (1923); "Russian Impressions" (1927); "Youth and the New America" (1928); "The Ethical Ideals of Jesus in a Changing World"(1941); "By This Sign Conquer" (1942); "Behold Thy Mother" (1944); "Facing the Future Unafraid" (1944); "Preaching in a Revolutionary Age" (1944); "Labor and Tomorrow's World" (1945). He is also editor of "Effective Preaching" (1929); "Creative Preaching" (1930); Contemporary Preaching" (1931); "Varieties of Present Day Preaching" (1932); and "Preaching and the Social Crisis" (1933). He has also contributed numerous articles on social, international, industrial and religious subjects.

- Lecturer: Enoch Pond Lectures at Bangor Seminary in 1940; the Merrick Lectures at Ohio Wesleyan University in 1941; lectures at the Florida Southern College School of Religion in 1941; the Fondren Lectures at Southern Methodist University in 1944; the Lyman Beecher Lectures on Preaching at Yale University in 1944; and the Earl Lectures at the Pacific School of Religion in 1945.
- Radio: National Vespers, A.B.C., 1946-47

Member: Am. Academy Political and Social Science; American History Assoc. National Economic League Kappa Alpha; Phi Beta Kappa; Delta Sigma Rho; Alpha Kappa Delta; Pi Gamma Mu; Phi Eta Sigma Mason (32°. K.T.) Grange; University Club (N.Y.)

At the request of the late King of Helenes, George II, Bishop Oxnam was honored by the Greek government with the Cross of the Royal Order of Phoenix. The honor was conferred by Vassili Dendramis, Greek Ambassador to the United States, 1948.

Address: 150 Fifth Avenue, New York 11, N.Y.

January 23, 1950

Miss Christine Knudsen Secretary to Bishop Oxnam 150 Fifth Avenue New York 11, New York

Dear Miss Knudsen:

I am herewith returning the memorandum enclosed in your letter of January 20th. I should appreciate your advising me of the time of Bishop Oxnam's arrival and whether he would like me to make a hotel reservation for him. While our Sunday Morning Service begins at 10:30 A.M.; Dr. Silver would appreciate his being at The Temple about 20 to 30 minutes ahead of time in order to spend a little time with him.

Sincerely yours,

Secretary to Dr. Silver

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February 7, 1950

Mr. Dudenhofer United Automotive Workers of America West Milwaukse Detroit, Michigan

Dear Mr. Dudenhofer:

Confirming our telephone conversation of this afternoon, The Temple of Cleveland is celebrating this year its 100th and versary and in celebration of this event we are inviting speakers of national prominence to address our membership. Dr. Silver is most anxious to have Mr. Reuther as one of our guest speakers. Our regular services are held on Sunday mornings at 10:30 a.m. Our Temple seats about 2,000 people and I am sure that Mr. Reuther's presence would bring an overflow crowd.

As soon as Mr. Reuther is well enough to plan his schedule, we should appreciate your discussing this with him. We would be very pleased to have him here on April 9th, 16th, 23rd or 30th. I am sure that he would find it a very satisfying experience.

I shall look forward to hearing from you in the hear future. We are all hoping that Mr. Reuther will be able to be with us.

Sincerely yours,

Secretary to Dr. Silver

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Elizabeth Rice, Secretary The Temple E. 105th St. at Ansel Rd., Cleveland 6, Ohio

Dear Miss Rice:

This will acknowledge receipt of your letter of February 7th, inviting Mr. Walter Reuther to participate in your 100th Anniversary Celebration during the month of April.

Mr. Reuther has just re-entered the hospital for further operations on his arm. The confinement will naturally disrupt his schedule and a number of important meetings will have to be postponed till that period. In view of his present schedule and in consideration of the above-stated circumstances, it is extremely doubtful that Mr. Reuther will be able to accept your invitation.

However, I will be glad to call your letter to his attention upon release from the hospital and will advise you of his decision.

Yours sincerely

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Wm. Dudenhoefer Secretary to Walter P. Reuther

February 27, 1950

Dr. Solomon B. Freehof 4915 Fifth Avenue Hettsburgh 13, Pa.

My dear Sol:

Just a note to tell you how deeply I appreciated your kindness in coming a week ago Sunday and occupying my pulpit and in addressing the extraordinarily fine message which you did. The congregation was captivated by it.

It was good to have seen you and to have been able to spend a little time with you. Virginia joins me in sending our love to Lillian.

With all good wishes, I remain

As ever yours,

ABBA HILLEL SILVER

G. BROMLEY OXNAM BISHOP OF THE METHODIST CHURCH THE NEW YORK AREA 150 FIFTH AVENUE, NEW YORK 11, N.Y.

March 13, 1950

Miss Elizabeth Rice The Temple Cleveland 6, Ohio

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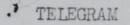
My dear Miss Rice:

I am enclosing the biographical sketch and glossy print of Bishop Oxnam, in accordance with your request.

Bishop Oxnam will be at the Hotel Cleveland.

Very truly yours,

Secretary to Bishop Oxnam



#### MARCH 15, 1950

CHRISTINE KNUDSEN 150 FIFTH AVENUE NEW YORK, NEW YORK THANK YOU FOR MATERIAL. OF BISHOP OXNAM'S ADDRESS.

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Elizabeth Rice, Secretary The Tample E 105th St. at Ansel Rd., Cleveland 6, Ohio

Dear Miss Rice:

In reference to your letter of February 7th, inviting Walter Reuther to be your guest speaker sometime during the month of April, please be advised that I have recently taken this matter up with Mr. Reuther. After going over his schedule for that period, I am sorry to advise that in view of current major contract negotiations and other pressing matters, it will just not be possible for him to squeeze this engagement in his schedule.

Yours sincerely

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Wm. Dudenhoefer, Secretary to Walter P. Reuther

March 27, 1950

Bishop G. Bromley Oxnam 150 Fifth Avenue New York 11, New York

My dear Bishop:

I need not tell you how profoundly grateful we all are for your coming to us during our Centennial year and for addressing our Temple congregation. You must have felt, I am sure, the reaction of the congregation to your thought-profoking and inspiring address. It will remain one of the memorable events of our 100th Anniversary year. I am personally grateful to you beyond words for the spiritual comradeship of our faiths which your coming to us here so beautifully symbolized.

With all good wishes, permit me to remain

Most cordially yours,

ABBA HILLEL SILVER

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