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Camp Reynolds, Pennsylvania, 1944.



CPL. MARVIN J. BETNUN
OFFICE OF THE CHAPLAIN
CAMP REYNOLDS, PA.

6 May 1944

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

Dear Dr. Silver:

The Jewish soldiers of Camp Reynolds are all familiar with your inspiring work and leadership. We are very anxious to have you as a guest speaker at our Chapel.

There is no Jewish Chaplain permanently assigned to this camp at the present time. We are dependent upon visiting Chaplains and guest Rabbis.

Since the men at this Camp may soon be in combat, we know that meeting and hearing you would be an inspiration to them.

Camp Reynolds was formerly called the Shenango Personnel Replacement Depot. The Camp is located about 85 miles from Cleveland or 30 miles from Youngstown. We would be pleased to provide



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transportation for you so that a minimum of time would be required in traveling.

Our regular Services are held on Tuesday and Friday evenings at 8 P.M., but we would be honored to have you with us at any time during May or June.

We sincerely hope that we may have the privilege of meeting and hearing you at Camp Reynolds.



Sincerely yours,

Marvin J. Betnun
Marvin J. Betnun

MJB/ns

May 29, 1944

Cpl. Marvin J. Betnum
Office of the Chaplain
Camp Reynolds, Pa.

My dear Cpl. Betnum:

I would have written to you sooner but I have been unable to clear my schedule. My assistant, Rabbi Harris, has retired from the Ministry and The Temple has not yet engaged the services of a successor. This will probably be done within the next few weeks. As soon as I have an assistant here, I will arrange to get away for a Friday evening to visit Camp Reynolds. This will probably be sometime in July.

With all good wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

AHS:BK



CPL. MARVIN J. BETNUN
OFFICE OF THE CHAPLAIN
CAMP REYNOLDS, PA.

June 15, 1944

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

My dear Dr. Silver:

Thank you for your reply of
May 29. We hope that your full schedule
might give us the opportunity of having
you as our guest in July. Any of the
following dates would be particularly
good:

Friday, July 7

Friday, July 14

Friday, July 21

However, we would be pleased
to arrange a special service at any time
that you could be with us. A car would
call for you at 5:30 P.M. and return you
by midnight.

We hope that we may have the
privilege of seeing you at Camp Reynolds
soon.

Very sincerely yours,

Marvin J. Betnun

June 16, 1944

Cpl. Marvin J. Betnum
Office of the Chaplain
Camp Reynolds, Pa.

My dear Cpl. Betnum:

I shall be very happy to be with
you on Friday evening, July 14.

With all good wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

AHS:EK

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OFFICE OF THE CHAPLAIN
CAMP REYNOLDS, PA.

June 22, 1944

Mr. Harry A. Levy
Executive Secretary
The Temple
105th St at Ansel Road
Cleveland, Ohio

My dear Mr. Levy:

We are all looking forward to having Dr. Silver with us on Friday, July 14. We hope that it might be possible for you and some of your friends to visit us at that time.

For our announcements we would appreciate receiving a title for his speech and a mat or picture for our camp publication. If it is possible to obtain a copy of the inspiring and attractive statement on "America" by Dr. Silver which is hanging in your Temple, would be grateful to you.

Our present arrangement is to call for Dr. Silver at 5:30 P.M. If he should desire to leave earlier, it would be a pleasure to have him join us for dinner at Camp.

We know that our program on July 14 will be very inspiring to us all.

Very sincerely yours,

Marvin J. Betnun
Cpl Marvin J. Betnun

June 29, 1944

Corporal Marvin J. Betnun
Office of the Chaplain
Camp Reynolds, Pa.

My dear Corporal Betnun:

Rabbi Silver has just returned to the city and has requested me to write you that he will be very happy to have dinner with you at Camp Reynolds, on July 14. Will you kindly let me know at what time you will call for him at The Temple?

Under separate cover I sent you a photograph of Rabbi Silver as well as a copy of his "America."

With best wishes, I remain

Very sincerely yours,

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Secretary to Rabbi Silver.

CPL. MARVIN J. BETNUN
OFFICE OF THE CHAPLAIN
CAMP REYNOLDS, PENNA.

July 4, 1944

Miss Bessie Kline
Secretary to Rabbi Silver
The Temple
105th St at Ansel Road
Cleveland, Ohio

My dear Miss Kline:

Thank you for the photograph of Rabbi Silver and a copy of his "America." We are pleased to know that he will have dinner with us at Camp. We will call for him at 1:00 P.M. at The Temple on July 14.

We would appreciate a title for his address that we may use in our announcements. Since we are now publicizing this program, a title for his sermon would be most welcome.

Thank you very much for your cooperation.

Very sincerely yours,

Marvin J. Betnun

Cpl Marvin J. Betner
Office of the Chaplain

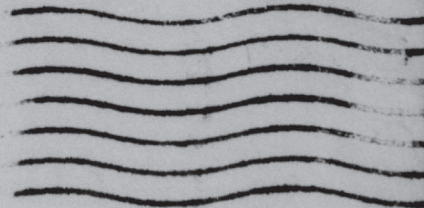
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Dr. Abba Hillel Silver
The Temple
Cleveland, Ohio

My dear Dr. Silver:

Please accept for the National Jewish Welfare Board, the men and women stationed at Camp Reynolds, and for myself our sincere thanks and gratitude for having honored us with your presence at chapel services on July 14.

Your inspiring and stimulating message still echoes throughout the length and breadth of the entire post, and we shall all be ever grateful to you for having made this happy occasion possible.

With kind personal regards, I am

Respectfully yours,

Harry Marshak
HARRY MARSHAK
USO-JWB Field Director

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OFFICE OF THE CHAPLAIN
ASF REPLACEMENT DEPOT
CAMP REYNOLDS, PA.

July 20, 1944


Dr. Abba Hillel Silver
Rabbi, The Temple
Ansel Road and 105th St
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Dr. Silver,

The men and friends of Camp Reynolds are
very grateful to you for your inspiring mes-
sage to us on July 14. Your presence will al-
ways be remembered by all who had the opportunity
of hearing you.

Thank you very much for your kindness.

Very sincerely yours,


Marvin J. Betnum
Marvin J. Betnum

July 22, 1944

Cpl. Marvin J. Betnun
Office of the Chaplain
ASF Replacement Depot
Camp Reynolds, Pa.

My dear Cpl. Betnun:

Thank you for your kind note.
I enjoyed my visit to Camp Reynolds tremendously
and I was delighted with the fine work which
you have been doing there. More power to you!

With all good wishes, I remain

Most cordially yours,

AHS:BK