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Jacksonville, Florida, 1926-1956.



Temple Ahavath Chesed

ISRAEL L. KAPLAN

RABBI

JACKSONVILLE, FLORIDA

Jacksonville, Fla. ✓ \*

December 10th, 1926.

Rabbi Abba H. Silver,  
The Jewish Temple,  
Cleveland, Ohio.

Dear friend and colleague:-

I am trying, with the assistance of the Unitarian and Congregational ministers of our city, to arrange a Lyceum course during the coming winter months. The dates that we have tentatively decided upon are as follows:

January 12th and 26th  
February 9th and 23rd  
March 9th and 23rd

I would like very much to have you here on one of these dates and, if it is at all possible for you to come to an early decision, I will appreciate hearing from you soon.

This is in the nature of a new venture for our community and hence we will have to go about it in a modest way. Would you be willing to come and for us to take care of your expenses and, if it is at all possible to offer you a small honorarium, we will surely do so. We want to have these lectures in the form of an open forum so as to arouse and stimulate interest in the various subjects discussed.

Hoping to hear from you soon and with kindest personal greetings in which my wife joins me, I am,

Very cordially yours,

Israel L. Kaplan

us  
Jewish Temple,  
Laura and Ashley St.



December thirteenth  
1926

Rabbi Israel L. Kaplan,  
Temple Ahavath Chesed,  
Jacksonville, Florida.

My dear Rabbi Kaplan,

I am very sorry indeed that I shall not be able to accept your kind invitation to speak in your Lyceum Course this winter. My speaking schedule has become so heavily over-booked that I cannot, in justice to myself, ~~accept any~~ <sup>accept any</sup> additional obligations for this season. I should love to have been able to help you out and perhaps another season may offer an opportunity for me to do so.

With kindest regards and best wishes for the success of your undertaking,  
I am

Very sincerely yours,



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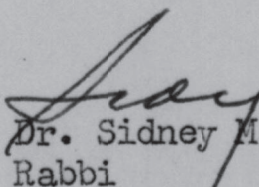
Dear Colleague:

On February 1, 1957, a Friday evening, this Congregation will observe the 75th Anniversary of its founding. Of course, in other areas, this would be an insignificant event. However, in Florida, this Congregation is not only the oldest in this city but the second oldest in the State of Florida.

I write to you not only out of the fullness of my own desire but also at the request of the Planning Committee to ask if within your busy schedule you would find it possible to deliver the sermon at our Friday evening service on February 1. I pray that your reply will be in the affirmative.

With kindest personal greetings, I am,

Sincerely yours,

  
Dr. Sidney M. Lefkowitz  
Rabbi

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August 14, 1956

Dr. Sidney M. Lefkowitz  
Congregation Ahavath Chesed  
St. Johns and Mallory  
Jacksonville 5, Florida

My dear Colleague:

I deeply appreciate your gracious invitation to participate in the observance of the 75th anniversary of the founding of Congregation Ahavath Chesed. I wish I were free to avail myself of the invitation. Unfortunately, I have already committed myself to so many engagements in connection with Israel Bonds, United Jewish Appeal, and other out of town engagements that I cannot, in justice to myself, take on any additional responsibilities.

With warmest regards and all good wishes, permit me to remain

Most cordially yours,

ABBA HILLEL SILVER

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Dear Colleague:

Thank you for your note of August 14. I regret, as all of us here do, your inability to be with us as we observe our 75th Anniversary. We well can understand how the pressure of circumstances prevent your being with us.

With kindest personal greetings and with best wishes for the New Year, I am,

Sincerely yours,

*Sidney M. Lefkowitz*  
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