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# The Cleveland Mental Health Association

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November 5, 1957

Rabbi Daniel Jeremy Silver  
Ansel Road Temple  
East 105 and Ansel Road  
Cleveland 6, Ohio

Dear Rabbi Silver:

I was deeply impressed by your sermon on Dr. Freud last Sunday.

You addressed yourself to basic misconceptions and misapplications of Freudian theory to child rearing practices. In our daily business we continue to run into people in strategic positions who attempt to apply to the general population concepts derived from clinical psychiatric practice. This is undoubtedly one of the significant factors which have sanctioned the "era of the id" characterized by impulse release and by a weakening of the concept of duty.

I believe the clergy can make a powerful contribution in correcting such distortions.

As for not running to the psychiatrist for each minor bruise, I don't know how this can be stopped unless psychiatrists themselves discourage such excessive dependency. Of course, this is less of a problem for people who cannot afford to pay the psychiatrist's fee.

In the near future, our Association will be planning a conference on Religion and Mental Health. We hope to get the participation of the National Academy of Religion and Mental Health, local clergymen and psychiatrists. Would you be willing to serve on the planning committee for such a conference?

Looking forward to hearing from you.

Sincerely,

*Samuel Whitman*  
Samuel Whitman  
Executive Director

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November 7, 1957

Mr. Samuel Whitman  
The Cleveland Mental Health Association  
1001 Huron Road  
Cleveland 15, Ohio

Dear Mr. Whitman:

I appreciate your kind letter of November 5, 1957 concerning my sermon on Dr. Freud. It was a sermon that it was a pleasure working up and delivering, and I am glad that there are those such as you who agree in its basic outlook.

I note with pleasure your desire to plan a conference on Religion and Mental Health. I think that such a meeting would find ready acceptance in our Cleveland community and that our men would be glad to participate in it. It would be a privilege for me to serve on the planning committee of such a conference. I appreciate your inviting me.

With all good wishes, I remain

Cordially yours,

DANIEL JEREMY SILVER

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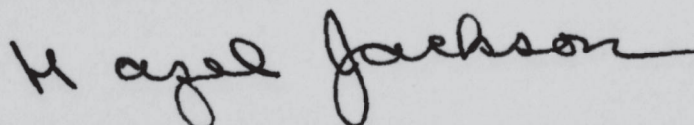
Rabbi Daniel Jeremy Silver  
The Temple  
Ansel Road & East 105th Street  
Cleveland 6, Ohio

Dear Rabbi Silver:

Recently we had an inquiry from your office in reference to social workers in private practice.

We do not know of any private practitioners in the social work field in Cleveland. There are four case workers employed part time on our staff as marriage counselors. We are kept busy with pre-engagement, premarital and marriage counseling situations. We see people with marital problems who do not come for the medical service in child spacing with, of course, is available when indicated and desired. We refer those that do not logically belong to us because of the nature of their difficulties to the private family agencies, psychiatrists or analysts.

Sincerely yours,



Mrs. Byron E. Jackson  
Director of Consultation Service

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June 22, 1959

Rabbi Daniel Silver  
13810 Larchmont Road  
Cleveland 21, Ohio

Dear Rabbi Silver:

As chairman of the Community Relations Committee of the Maternal Health Association, I would be very much pleased if you would accept membership on this committee for the coming year.

The Community Relations Committee is composed of representatives of educational, business, and professional fields. The purpose of the committee is to have a group of community leaders who know the program and problems of the Association, will interpret - when it seems advisable - what we are doing and guide us in our community interpretation and publicity.

The committee meets for luncheon at the Association's Main Office at 2027 Cornell Road five times a year, usually on the first Monday of the month. This year the first meeting will be at 12 o'clock noon, Monday, October 5.

Would you telephone your decision to Mrs. Hazel Jackson, our Executive Director (RAndolph 1-4700).

Very sincerely yours,

*Molly O'Hear*

Mrs. John L. O'Hear, Chairman  
Community Relations Section

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*6/24 - Phoned Mrs. Jackson  
advised that you will  
contact her in August*



September 2, 1959

→ Mrs. Hazel Jackson  
Maternal Health Association  
2027 Cornell Road  
Cleveland 6, Ohio

Dear Mrs. Jackson:

With reference to Mrs. John L. O'Hear's letter to Rabbi Daniel  
Jeremy Silver dated June 22, 1959, and my telephone conversation  
with you on June 24th, Rabbi Silver is now back in the city and  
will be pleased to help you in any way he can.

Cordially yours,

Mrs. M. L. Goldstein  
Secretary to Rabbi Silver

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August 8, 1960

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*yes 8/16/60*

Rabbi Daniel Silver  
13810 Larchmere Blvd.  
Cleveland 20, Ohio

Dear Rabbi Silver:

As the new chairman of the Community Relations Committee of the Maternal Health Association, I am writing to ask if you would continue your membership on the committee for 1960-1961. The Association has been very appreciative of your contribution in the past to the committee's work, and your continued interest and participation would be helpful.

The first meeting of the committee is to be at Noon, Monday, October 3 in the Jerome Fisher Room.

I would appreciate it if you would call the Executive Director, Mrs. Jackson (RAndolph 1-4700) and tell her you will continue to serve on the committee.

Sincerely yours,

*Catheline M. Wilbur*

Mrs. John S. Wilbur, Chairman  
Community Relations Committee

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