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MAY GOD GRANT
STRENGTH TO
OUR PEOPLE;

MAY GOD BLESS
OUR PEOPLE
WITH PEACE.

A Word from Rabbi Blumberg



Rabbi Sam Blumberg

AM YISRAEL CHAI

On October 7th, Hamas terrorists infiltrated Israel from Gaza, killing more than 1,400 and taking more than 200 Israelis and foreign nationals hostage in the worst massacre for the Jewish people since the Holocaust. I write on October 23, Day 17 of Israel's war with Hamas.

My heart is in the East. In the past weeks I've found myself reflecting on places I've been, people I know and love, and experiences I've had in Israel, having lived there for more than three years of my life. Israel is the place where

I've studied and toured and learned and sang and prayed. It's the place where my wife and I first met and fell in love; it's the place I learned to cook. It's the place I've taken students, and where we plan to go together as a Temple Beth Am community in the Spring of 2025. It's the place

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President's Message



Carol Hanover

NEVER ALLOW VIOLENCE TO BECOME COMMONPLACE

The first time my husband, Alain, and I went to Israel, we hired a guide to take us everywhere. "Yossi" was terrific, knowing all the ins and outs everywhere. We bonded well with him and laughed a lot until we got to Yad Vashem, and Yossi surprised us when he said he could not accompany us inside. Why would he not lead the way? Because, he said, he did not want repeated trips to Yad Vashem to become routine and commonplace for him. He wanted it always to be a shock, as it was intended to be. And it was, for us, that first and only time we have ventured inside, in spite of having traveled to Israel a half dozen times.

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SERVICE SCHEDULE

Shabbat Services will be in person and livestreamed on Zoom.

Please check Temple Beth Am weekly email for any changes to the schedule.

IN PERSON: Masks are optional. Those feeling unwell or who have been near others who are unwell should enjoy our services from home, via Zoom.

ZOOM / TEMPLE MEMBERS: The link and password can be found in your TBA weekly email.

ZOOM / TEMPLE GUESTS: Please send an email to shalom@tempbetham.org to obtain the Zoom link information.

PLEASE CONSIDER PURCHASING YOUR OWN MISHKAN T'FILAH SIDDUR FOR HOME AND ZOOM USE.

TBA no longer shares the pages of the Mishkan T'filah during Shabbat Zoom services, so we encourage all congregants to purchase your own so you can continue to follow from home.

To purchase a copy of the siddur, visit www.ccarpress.org.



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QUICK LINK FOR PURCHASING

FRIDAY NOVEMBER 3, 2023 / 20 HESHVAN 5784

EREV SHABBAT HALL'LU 7:15 PM

SATURDAY NOVEMBER 4, 2023 / 20 HESHVAN 5784

Weekly Portion VAYERA Genesis 18:1-22:24

Haftarah II Kings 6:8-23

SHABBAT MORNING MINYAN AND TORAH STUDY ... 9:00 AM

FRIDAY NOVEMBER 10, 2023 / 27 HESHVAN 5784

EREV SHABBAT SERVICE..... 7:15 PM

The pulpit flowers and Oneg Shabbat are sponsored by Andrew and Deborah Saks

SATURDAY NOVEMBER 11, 2023 / 27 HESHVAN 5784

Weekly Portion CHAYE SARAH Genesis 23:1-25:18

Haftarah Joshua 1:1-18

SHABBAT MORNING MINYAN AND TORAH STUDY ... 9:00 AM

MORNING SERVICE AND BAT MITZVAH 10:30 AM

Caralyn Michelle Saks daughter of Andrew and Deborah Saks

FRIDAY NOVEMBER 17, 2023 / 5 KISLEV 5784

TOT SHABBAT SERVICE 5:15 PM

Pizza supper to follow

EREV SHABBAT SERVICE..... 7:15 PM

The pulpit flowers and Oneg Shabbat are sponsored by John and Marla McNulty
November Anniversary Blessing

SATURDAY NOVEMBER 18, 2023 / 5 KISLEV 5784

Weekly Portion TOLDOT Genesis 25:19-28:9

Haftarah Malachi 1:1-2:7

SHABBAT MORNING MINYAN AND TORAH STUDY ... 9:00 AM

MORNING SERVICE AND BAR MITZVAH 10:30 AM

Jay Thomas McNulty son of John and Marla McNulty

FRIDAY NOVEMBER 24, 2023 / 12 KISLEV 5784

EREV SHABBAT EVENING SERVICE 7:15 PM

SATURDAY NOVEMBER 25, 2023 / 12 KISLEV 5784

Weekly Portion VAYETZEI Genesis 28:10-32:3

Haftarah Hosea 12:13-14:10

SHABBAT MORNING MINYAN AND TORAH STUDY ... 9:00 AM

FRIDAY DECEMBER 1, 2023 / 19 KISLEV 5784

EREV SHABBAT SERVICE..... 7:15 PM

SATURDAY DECEMBER 2, 2023 / 19 KISLEV 5784

Weekly Portion VAYISHLACH Genesis 32:4-36:43

Haftarah Hosea 11:7-12:12

SHABBAT MORNING MINYAN AND TORAH STUDY ... 9:00 AM

Minyan and Torah Study



Please join us for Shabbat morning
Minyan and Torah study
Saturday mornings at 9:00 AM
in the Levine Library.



Your temple is here for you whether in good times or bad. Please let Rabbi Blumberg know what is going on in your life.

rabbi@tempbetham.org

A Word from Rabbi Blumberg

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where friends and family make their home, and I pray for their safety each day.

In December 2011, when I had been living in Israel for two and a half years, I signed up for a trip called Perspectives Israel. North American Jewish educators and rabbinical students were invited to tour Israel and the West Bank to hear a variety of Israeli viewpoints in an open and non-judgmental setting.

On this whirlwind two-day tour, we visited eight different sites and met impassioned activists and citizens from all sides of the political spectrum. We met with a National Activities Director at Peace Now; we received a personal tour of the security fence that separates parts of the West Bank from Israel proper; we heard from residents of the town of Nitzan who settled there after being removed from Gush Katif in Gaza as part of Israel's disengagement plan.

On Kibbutz Kfar Aza, which a few weeks ago was one of the sites of unspeakable horror and death, we learned from an educator who fought to use a textbook in her classroom that teaches both Israeli and Palestinian narratives. In Sderot, another scene of terror on October 7th, we met with a representative of the Sderot Media Center, who showed us a display of dozens of rockets that had been collected after being indiscriminately launched by Gazans into Israel. We saw fortified bus stops that doubled as shelters from rocket attacks, and a playground for kids that featured a bomb shelter painted to look like a caterpillar, so that it wouldn't look so imposing or scary. We heard from a woman representing an organization called Other Voice that consisted of citizens living in Sderot and other Israeli communities near the Gaza Strip, advocating for "creative action that will bring about a long-term, non-violent solution to the region."

Why do I share all of this? Israel is a beautiful, vibrant, complicated place, full of people who yearn to live their values and their religion in so many different ways. Our small but mighty spiritual homeland exists for Jewish people the whole world over, not just for those who line up on one side politically or religiously, and not just for those from specific ethnic or national backgrounds. When Israel is threatened, the very nature of who we are and who we stand for as the Jewish people is threatened.

We sing in HaTikvah, Israel's national anthem:

*As long as within our hearts
The Jewish soul sings,
As long as forward to the East
To Zion, looks the eye –
Our hope is not yet lost,
It is two thousand years old,
To be a free people in our land
The land of Zion and Jerusalem.*

I pray that this war will be over quickly and with as little loss of life possible. I pray for a time when our spiritual siblings will get back to the business of living out their deepest-held values and their everyday lives, in peace and in safety. I pray that this war will be the last, so that we can continue to be a free people in our land.

Am Yisrael Chai— may our people live on in peace and in safety,
—Rabbi Sam Blumberg

Lifelong Learning with Rabbi Blumberg

Rabbi Blumberg will begin a new semester of classes on Sunday, November 5 beginning at 11:15 am. There is no prior knowledge necessary. The class is in person (in the library) and on Zoom.

Rabbi's topic for this upcoming semester will be
"Where Was God? Theological Responses to the Holocaust"



Sundays, 11:15am-12:30pm

In person and on Zoom

November 5
December 3
January 7
January 21

TO REGISTER: Please call or email the temple office.

President's Message

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So, too, it is shocking that Israel is once again under attack, even though we have endured such attacks repeatedly. It is always a shock, as it should be, that there are people still willing to slaughter Jews. It should never become commonplace or routine.

Our community at Temple Beth Am came together on the first Shabbat after the recent attack. We looked to Rabbi Blumberg, to Cantor Wolff, to Rabbi Poirier of Temple Beth Sholom, and to others in our community, to better our understanding of this barbaric event that we could watch on every TV channel. Yet, over it all, there was the peaceful purpose of Shabbat sheltering us, protecting us.

We also reached out to each other for emotional support. We have talked about how we are connected to each other, and in times like this, never more so. We share the sadness of Israeli families who count fewer members now than they did on the High Holidays. We fear for nearly 200 people of all ages taken hostage. Why must we share this terrible

burden? Why do we do this? For the miraculous dream that is the State of Israel, the land to which we are all attached. If one of us is hurt, we all feel the pain.

There are warnings to synagogues and mosques to heighten security. We have done so, adding professional guards as frequently as our finances allow. We have asked the Framingham police to increase the frequency of their patrols, and they have done so. Our building is locked down at all times, and we have installed video surveillance all around it. We will soon replace windows and doors, that in addition to being better for climate control, are also more secure. And we ask you that if you see or hear anything, please tell us immediately.

Let us all pray for peace to return to the land of Israel. Never allow violence to become commonplace!

Am Yisrael Chai,
—Carol Hanover

A Personal Connection to Israel: Israeli Exchange Students Visiting TBA Religious School, My Experience in Israel



Cantor David Wolff,
Lower School
Education Director

On Wednesday, October 11, a group of high school students from Haifa, Israel visited our TBA religious school. These students are part of the HiBuR program, an exchange program for Israeli and American teens, part of JLOFT (Jewish Learning Collaborative for Teens). JLOFT is a program that is open to all teens in grades 8-12, regardless of temple affiliation, and complements TBA's own upper school programming. The Israeli exchange students spent several weeks in Boston and New York, touring the east coast and connecting with Jewish teens in MetroWest.

Our TBA students prepared for the HiBuR students by writing a list of questions about Israel. Questions ranged from the silly – are there a lot of cats in Israel? – to the more substantive – what traditions are there in Israel that are different than in America? Students chatted about what they learn in school and got to know one another. The Israeli students taught our students an Israeli game called חבילה עוברת (chavilah overet), or “pass the parcel”, in which students pass a package in a circle, and unwrap each layer of the package, finding a surprise inside (it’s a variation on “hot potato”).



Most importantly, our students connected their learning about ancient and modern Israel with real people. Our students learned that Israel is a country like any other – with kids, families, schools, pets, and homework. We hope that our young students will go on an Israel trip when they are older, either organized by another organization, or with their families, to cement their personal connection to the land and people of Israel.

I am grateful that I had the opportunity to have a personal connection to Israel, in several different ways. After college, I lived in Tel Aviv for nearly two years, occasionally singing in a local Reform synagogue, singing in restaurants, and working a law office. I had Israeli roommates, and traveled around country with friends. I played in a reggae band, with a mix of Israelis, Canadians, and Americans. We had a show booked in Tel Aviv, but had to cancel when our drummer was called up to the reserves. To me, this was frightening; Erez (our drummer) had to drop everything in his life (he was a PhD student in psychology), and miss our big show, because he had to serve in the military. But to Erez,

and the other Israelis in the band, this was normal life in Israel. All Israeli men are required to serve nearly 3 years in the military at age 18, and are part of the reserves until age 40 (sometimes later). Later that year, we were invited to record a demo in a studio in the south. But the session was canceled because rockets were being fired nearby, from Gaza. The rest of the band took this in stride, but I was frightened. What if we had gone to the studio, I wondered.

I learned that Israelis are strong, and love their country. Surrounded by hostile nations, serving in the military is part of life in Israel. And yet Tel Aviv is a vibrant city, with people of all ages enjoying all that life has to offer. I grieve for the Israeli civilians killed by Hamas, for the Israeli hostages still held by Hamas, and for the Palestinian civilians caught in the crossfire. And I am grateful for my experiences in Israel, for the people and places I came to know and love.



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Temple Beth Am // A Warm and Vibrant Reform Jewish Community

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The Framingham community was invited to join with Temple Beth Am and Temple Beth Sholom in solidarity with Israel after the attacks of October 7. We are grateful to our city and interfaith leaders for showing their support in a difficult time.



WALL of HONOR

2023 CAMPAIGN
IS VIGOROUS,
AND ENDS
DECEMBER 31, 2023

Sixty-one Temple Beth Am congregants and friends of Temple Beth Am have generously made their annual Wall of Honor contribution to support our programs and building improvements. This extraordinary campaign is due in part to Keeper of the Flame donation from Scott and Ronna Cohen and Family. Our sincere gratitude to the Cohen Family for their exceptional dedication and leadership to Temple Beth Am.

We urge congregants to donate to our 2023 Wall of Honor campaign in any amount. This is a tax-deductible contribution. What a heart-warming way to honor a member of your family in recognition of a milestone birthday, a life's milestone such as a B'Nai Mitzvah, or to remember a loved one no longer with us.

With each Wall of Honor campaign, we are reminded again of Rabbi Tarfon's teaching, "It is not incumbent upon you to complete the work, but neither are you at liberty to desist from it."

Our thanks to those who gave so generously to support Temple Beth Am's community, in order insure our future. All contributions are meaningful, and reflect your dedication to the future of Temple Beth Am.

The letter of support from Edwards Church UCC and Reverend Doctor Deborah Clark was received after the horrific events in Israel. Rabbi Blumberg asked that it be shared with the TBA community.

Edwards Church, UCC
39 Edwards Street
Framingham, MA 01701

October 18, 2023

Dear friends at Temple Beth Am:

There are not adequate words to express our lament over the horror, violence and violation enacted against the Israeli people this month by Hamas. Our hearts break for the lives lost, the loved ones left behind, the futures irrevocably changed. When one suffers, we all suffer.

With the psalmist and people of faith in every generation we cry out "How long, O Lord?" And we continue to pray with the psalmist, because we trust in God's steadfast love. Therefore, we dare pray for an end to this war; we dare pray for justice; we dare pray for peace.

As your neighbors in this community, we extend our love and friendship to you. We know that hate and violence exist in this land too, and that the rise of anti-semitism is not just a concept but has real implications for you. We will continue to do our own work to extinguish it, and all that separates us from each other. We hope you will call upon us if there is anything else we can do to be your neighbors.

With prayers for peace and healing,

Rev. Dr. Deborah R. Clark

Written by the Justice and Love in Action Team,
on behalf of your friends at Edwards Church, United Church of Christ

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www.edwardschurch.org
508-877-2050

WHAT'S HAPPENING @ TBA



On Sunday, October 8 the TBA community gathered at **The Bagel Table in Ashland** for **Kibbitz & Bagels**. It was a great opportunity to connect with old and new friends and enjoy some coffee and a nosh. Ed Eglitis was kind enough to allow the temple to use the community space for this special event.



GBJCL

A PROGRAM OF JCRC

Greater Boston Jewish Coalition for Literacy

The Greater Boston Jewish Coalition for Literacy (GBJCL) mobilizes the Jewish community to help elementary school children discover the joy of reading by building meaningful relationships with a caring adult.



If interested, please contact **Merle Kushner**, mmkushner@hotmail.com and explore the GBJCL website <https://www.jcrcboston.org/literacy/>



Golf, Anyone?

Committee Organizing to Explore Temple Beth Am Golf Tournament

Thanks to the enthusiasm and drive of Temple Beth Am member **Julian Rich**, we are thrilled to explore an exciting opportunity for fundraising AND FUN in 2024: a TBA golf tournament! With his proven experience organizing and running golf tournaments, Julian has volunteered to chair this event. If you are interested in joining this new planning committee, please contact **Sue Siegel** through the temple office at shalom@tempbetham.org. Meeting details to follow.



The temple would like to send holiday packages and the monthly Tebeam to your students away at college. Please email your student's name, college address and email to shalom@tempbetham.org or mail your information to TBA College Committee, 300 Pleasant Street, Framingham, MA 01701.

In order for your child to be included, please submit their name and correct address at this time. If your student will be going abroad at any time during the upcoming year, please advise the temple so that packages are not sent for the holidays.

WHAT'S HAPPENING @ TBA



Monday, October 23: An Evening of Learning and Sharing

Ellie Anbinder, chair of the Lizkor Committee invited the community to attend the first program of the year. The program included interviews done by upper school students in 2022. The students interviewed TBA member, Inge Baye and Cantor David Wolff. Inge spoke about her family's journey during the Holocaust and Cantor Wolff spoke about his grandfather, Gerard Daniel. The cantor's mother, Miriam Daniel was also interviewed and Ellie Anbinder invited Miriam Daniel to attend the program on October 23rd via Zoom.



Everyone watching the video portion with Cantor Wolff and his mother Miriam Daniel.



Inge Baye (with the microphone) answering questions about her video presentation.



Ellie Anbinder, Rabbi Blumberg and Cantor Wolff.

Q&A with Miriam Daniel on screen and Cantor Wolff and Rabbi Blumberg.



Students in the upper school and the adults attending viewed the videos and then there was time for some discussion and Q&A. The program was also available over Zoom. Anyone interested in viewing the program, it will be on Temple Beth Am's YouTube page. Thanks to Ellie Anbinder, Bill Rabkin (technology), Merle Kushner and Sue Siegel for their hard work to make this program possible.

CALENDAR | November 2023

November 2023

November 2023							December 2023						
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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
Oct 29	30	31	Nov 1 4:00pm Religious School Classes 7:00pm Temple Beth Am Executive Committee Meeting	2	3 5:20pm Candle lighting (Framingham) 7:15pm Erev Shabbat Half'lu Service	4 9:00am Shabbat Minyan Service & Torah Study 6:00pm Youth Program: Progressive Dinner 6:28pm Havdalah (50 min)
5 9:00am Family Education Gr.K-2 with Rabbi Blumberg 9:00am Religious School Classes 11:15am LLL Class with Rabbi Blumberg	6 6:00pm Upper School Classes	7	8 4:00pm Religious School Classes 7:15pm Sisterhood Meeting	9 7:15pm Worship Committee Meeting	10 4:12pm Candle lighting (Framingham) 7:15pm Erev Shabbat Service	11 Veteran's Day (United States) 9:00am Shabbat Minyan Service & Torah Study 10:30am Morning Service and 12:30pm Afternoon Bat Mitzvah
12 NO Religious School Classes	13 7:00pm School Committee Meeting	14	15 4:00pm Religious School Classes	16 7:00pm Temple Beth Am Board of Trustees Meeting	17 12:00am Candle lighting (Framingham) 5:15pm Tot Shabbat Service followed by pizza 7:15pm Erev Shabbat Service	18 9:00am Shabbat Minyan Service & Torah Study 10:30am Morning Service and Bar Mitzvah of Jay McNulty 5:13pm Havdalah (50 min)
19 Framingham Interfaith Thanksgiving Service? (Day & Time) 9:00am Religious School Classes	20 6:00pm Upper School Classes	21	22 NO Religious School Classes	23 Thanksgiving-Temple closed	24 12:00am Candle lighting (Framingham) 7:15pm Erev Shabbat Service	25 12:00am Havdalah (50 min) (Framingham) 9:00am Shabbat Minyan Service & Torah Study
26 NO Religious School Classes	27	28	29 4:00pm Religious School Classes	30	Dec 1	2

SISTERHOOD

SISTERHOOD WELCOME BACK EVENT TOURO SYNAGOGUE, NEWPORT RI

On Sunday October 22, Sisterhood hosted a Welcome Back Outing to the Touro Synagogue in Newport RI. The Touro Synagogue is the oldest known in the United States and stands for religious freedom in this country. A docent showed the group around the building and then the group enjoyed lunch together and were back in Framingham by late afternoon.



Front Row (L-R): Merle Kushner, Cynthia Roll, Susan Siegel, Judy Solomon and Wendy Schwartz

Second Row (L-R): Stacy Kohler, Victoria Felson, Nikki Davidson and Sharon Silverman

YOUTH

YOUTH PROGRAMMING NOVEMBER NEWSLETTER

October 25 2023



UPCOMING THIS MONTH

November 4, 2023- Progressive Dinner Grades 8-12

Teens will be able to travel to 3 different houses (VOLUNTEERS NEEDED TO HOST A COURSE) and eat appetizers, dinner, and dessert to each house! Teens will start at TBA and carpool (DRIVERS NEEDED) from house to house! Contact Sarah to sign up!



Monthlong Service Project

Youth Programming will be collecting canned goods to donate to Daniel's Table in Framingham. Keep an eye out for a box in the religious school lobby and in the temple lobby. Reach out for more information!

December 10th- White Elephant Grades 8-12

At the temple Hanukkah party, teens will participate in a gift exchange. Similar to a Yankee swap, buy a gift for under 20 dollars and wrap it. We will number the gift and each person will pick a gift or have the opportunity to swap gifts. Every teen will go home with a gift.

December 10th - Dreidel Tournament Grades K-5

We will be having a Dreidel spinning tournament for grades K-5 hosted by our older students. There will be a prize at the end!!



Events Coming Up This Year

November 4th - Progressive Dinner - Grades 8-12

December 10th - White Elephant Gift Exchange- 8-12

December 10th - Dreidel Competition - Grades K-7

January 6th - Apex Center- Grades 8-12

January 20th - Dave and Buster's- Grades 6-7

February - Potential JFS Service Event- TBA

March 9th - Kings Bowling - Grades 8-12

March 17 - Mini Golf- Grades K-7

April 7th - JFS Farm to Pantry Initiative - Grades 8-12

May/June - Waterfire - Grades 8-12

May 17 - Ice Cream Party- Grades K-12

Contact Sarah at:

youthadvisor@tempbetham.org

508-309-0496

Can't wait for this year!

TIKKUN OLAM @ TBA

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Please reach out to the Temple Office
(shalom@tempbetham.org) to be connected with
Andrea Geller and Robin Plitt.



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ANNUAL HIGH HOLIDAY FOOD DRIVE

Every year on Rosh Hashanah, the temple hands out paper grocery bags and we ask those in attendance to fill the bags with non-perishable food items, cleaning products, diapers or personal care items. Thank you to Patty Frankel and The Geller Family for getting grocery bag donations from to stores for this food drive. The temple surpassed last year. The temple received a thank you note from Barbara Barry, the coordinator at A Place to Turn Food Pantry.



October 9, 2023

Thank you so very much to all at Temple Beth Am for the consistent High Holiday food donations, which enable A Place To Turn to better serve individuals in need in the MetroWest community. This year 956 pounds of food were donated (400 pounds more than last year!).

Following the global pandemic, many individuals and families find themselves facing even more challenging times. Generous and thoughtful donors like you all help us to bridge the socioeconomic gap between these individuals and their needs in an environment of dignity and respect.

We look forward to serving community members via our recently renovated and expanded pantry space that better provides clients the space and freedom to select items to return to a choice-based approach to our services following the COVID-19 pandemic, which limited choice to a certain extent. It is essential that clients be able to select nutritious food and personal items from a range of options, and such a client-centered approach would not be possible without donors like you contributing so significantly to our daily work. The donations go right on our pantry shelves!

Caring donors like you are central to fulfilling our mission of serving those in need in our community. We could not be the community resource that we are without your generous and thoughtful consistent donations to A Place To Turn.

With sincere appreciation,

Joanne Barry
Executive Director

And share
you Ellen!



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Home-Share Program

Do you have an extra room in your apartment or home that you are willing to rent? Would you like someone to help paying for oil or helping with chores around the house?

Many of Metrowest's poorest or most vulnerable populations including older adults, immigrants, refugees and veterans who have had homes or stable apartments are facing eviction and possibly first-time homelessness because of soaring housing costs.

JFS' innovative Home-Share connects individuals and families who have extra space in their homes or apartments with others who are looking for affordable housing to rent. Household chores can be worked into the rental agreement. A dedicated caseworker facilitates all of the screening, matches and ongoing coaching and support to make the match a success for everyone.

It's a Win – Win!

Please call Diana O'Brien at 508-875-3100 x700
for more information.

LifeCYCLES

IN JOY

WE WELCOME

The following families have joined the temple since the last issue of the TEBEAM and we welcome them into the temple family.

Nitza Avni and Glenn Axelrod
21 Edgewater Drive
Framingham, MA 01702

THE TEMPLE REJOICES WITH

Scott and Nicolette Greb
on the marriage of their son, Thomas to Li Hua.

SPECIAL ANNIVERSARIES

All couples celebrating a November wedding anniversary will be blessed at a service on November 17 at 7:15pm. Please call the temple office if you are planning to attend.

DATE	NAME	YEARS
11/12/1988	Howard and Wendy Schwartz	35
11/30/2013	Rafael and Maayan Silva	10

IN MEMORY

We record with deep sorrow the names of those who have died since our last bulletin, May their memory be for a blessing.

THE CONGREGATION MOURNS WITH

Neal Swartz on the loss of his mother, **Elaine Swartz**

We mourn the loss of our friend
and temple member

RUTH LANDER

Our condolences to her daughters, Heidee Lander,
Traci Lander and Kim Lander
May her memory be for a blessing.

We mourn the loss of our friend
and temple member

PHIL MASSEY

We extend condolences to his wife Marsha and to his
children, grandchildren and great grandchildren.
May his memory be for a blessing.



FUNDRAISING @TBA

WEBSITE DONATIONS JUST A CLICK AWAY!

The TBA website can now accept credit card donations.
Please take advantage of this new capability on our website
to acknowledge the memory of or to honor an accomplishment
of a friend or a loved one.

Go to www.tempbetham.org — Click on DONATE

TREE OF LIFE

The TREE OF LIFE mounted on the wall of the temple lobby is
a favorite way for members to commemorate "simchas" and
honor family members and friends. Your gift of leaves (\$300)
and stones (\$1000) will support continuing growth projects
in the future. Pledge cards are available in the temple office.

SPONSOR FUTURE ONEGS

This is a great opportunity for your family to honor
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For more information contact Patty Frankel
via the TBA Office.



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