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Rabbi's Message

Dear Friends,

As the High Holiday season approaches, we long for the New Year and hope that it will sweeten the bitterness of the past months. It has been a long and difficult summer for our people. Our hearts are torn as we consider the terrible cost of fifty days of war and counting. We mourn the deaths of over 70 Israelis. We lament the deaths of thousands of Gazans as well, for the loss of human life, even of our enemies, pains and distresses us. The war in Israel has affected all of us. We have been wracked with worry about our family members and friends who have been in harm's way. We have witnessed, and even experienced ourselves the astounding rise in anti-Semitic demonstrations and attacks around the world. We are appalled at the distortions of Israel's image in the media of the world.

It is vital that we take upon ourselves the responsibility to answer Israel's detractors. A key point that Israel's critics seem to make is that Israel had a choice in going to war, and taking the battle to the rocket launchers, the command centers, the stockpiles of deadly weapons hidden among civilian neighborhoods. I am convinced that when no amount of warning was heeded, Israel had no other reasonable choice. The uninformed or unthinking will often speak of the principle of "proportionality." Would that principle have meant that England would have been unjustified in attacking Germany in response to the rockets sent against London in World War II? If a battleship is targeting a city along the shore, does that mean that those under attack can only seek to take out the gun that is actually shooting at them and not seek to sink the attacking ship? It is a principle that cannot apply to the type of asymmetrical war in which Israel has been forced to participate.

There will always be those who question whether a war is necessary. In the case of the Gaza war of 2014, the Jewish people, are nearly unanimous in our determination that this was a war that could not have been avoided. In Jewish tradition there are two kinds of war – Milchemet Mitzvah, a war which is obligatory and Milchemet Reshut, optional war. The obligatory war, in post-Biblical times, is defined by Maimonides as a war "to deliver Israel from an enemy who has attacked them." The Bible and our tradition frown on wars which are considered optional, whose main goal is to seize territory. Only wars which are for self-defense are considered just and necessary in order to preserve the nation and its citizens. The Bible also set forth considerations for the just conduct of war, rules which were elaborated upon by generations of rabbis and teachers. Prisoners must be treated humanely. The environment must be preserved so that life may be supported when peace does return. The enemy must be given the chance to accept terms of peace. Civilians must be given the opportunity to flee rather than be annihilated. However, civilians who do not flee when warned lose their status as non-combatants according to Jewish ethical teachings. Efforts must be made to negotiate a surrender. However, this does not mean that battle must be endlessly delayed in negotiations. The enemy is to be given a reasonable chance to accept terms, and then the battle may continue. Israel has scrupulously adhered to this code of conduct. If any other nation's armed forces were held to the same standard as Israel, they would all be condemned by the world press and skewered by the pundits of every nation.

One of the most compelling discussions of how Israel got to this point was penned by Dennis Ross, former Middle East envoy. He recounted his visit to Gaza after the end of the last Gaza war in 2005, just a few months before Israel had withdrawn completely from Gaza. The Gazans were to have open border crossings, cement and supplies to rebuild homes and schools, fishing rights, and the path to prosperity and eventually toward creation of a Palestinian state with the West Bank. At a conference held in Gaza at the time, Ross had the unexpected opportunity to speak with the leaders of Hamas. He encouraged them to seize the moment to bring prosperity, healing, and peace to their people.

Here is what Ross wrote on August 8, 2014, about the events that followed:

“Unfortunately, we know the path Hamas chose. Even as Israel was completing the process of withdrawing all its settlers and soldiers from Gaza, Hamas carried out a bus-station bombing in Israel. Then, from late 2005 to early 2006, Hamas conducted multiple attacks on the very crossing points that allowed people and goods to move into and out of Gaza. For Hamas, it was more important to continue “resistance” than to allow Gazans to constructively test their new freedom — or to give Israelis a reason to think that withdrawal could work. Some argue that Israel withdrew but imposed a siege on Gaza. In reality, Hamas produced the siege. Israel’s tight embargo on Gaza came only after ongoing Hamas attacks.” (Washington Post, August 8, 2014)

In the moments after the cease-fire was to go into effect, Hamas began shelling the border crossings they had helped to reopen. Missiles began to fly once again into Israel. And, we now know, Hamas began to divert building materials to create rocket launching and terror tunnels. These are the same leaders with whom Israel has now made another truce.

Would that Israel had different, more rational, enlightened enemies. But it is a truism that one cannot choose one’s enemies, and must try to make peace with the enemies one has. Such is the situation of Israel today. Will the Gazans give up their dream of destroying Israel? Probably not, but perhaps they will put it off until the future messianic time, just as religious Jews pray that the Temple will be restored “BiyMot Ha-Mashiach” in the messianic time, relieving them of responsibility for bringing that outcome to fruition by their own hands.

But, perhaps the Messiah – whether Muslim or Jewish or of some other faith, will decide that we should put aside our differences and focus on the healing that human beings really need... Perhaps we can recognize that we are human beings first and that the language of our prayer or the mode of our worship is less important than our common humanity. Perhaps we will come together as a human race to eliminate all forms of extremism, Ebola and Polio, Malaria and even Cancer. Perhaps we will recognize sooner rather than later that we should fight global warming instead of fanning the flames of hatred and enmity.

Perhaps we won't wait for the Messiah to come to this realization.

That is the purpose of religion -- to continue to present this vision of a world redeemed. This vision is rooted in a future – perceived as the perfect reflection of our values. All that remains is for us to find a path to that imagined place and move, deliberately and steadily in that direction.

With wishes for a year of Peace and Healing for our Israel, our People, our Community, our Families and the World Entire.

Rabbi David Kudan

Bikkur Cholim/ Visiting the Sick

Please call the office or have someone call on your behalf if you are ill, or know of a congregant who is ill and would like a visit by Rabbi Kudan. The only way Rabbi Kudan will know if you are hospitalized or ill is if he is notified.

Please rest assured that the Rabbi does his best to protect a person's privacy.

Temple President's Message

Dear Congregation,

Well it's happened again. The summer is over. The high holy days are just around the corner. Time to pay your dues and buy your seats. Prepare yourself by making reparations for any sins you have made. As president of the temple. I forgive you for ignoring the temple. The temple needs your help both financially and physically. Start the new year off right. **HELP YOUR TEMPLE!**

Have a healthy and safe New Year.

President Philip Butkovitz

Building Fund Donations

To: Hy Sandler, In memory of his son-in-law Alan Goldstein
From: Honey & Vernon Stohn, Francine Black, Mary Menovich, Sandy & Eddie Swerdlick, Katrina & David Posner

To: Arlene & Joe Ceppetelli, In memory of their aunt Frances Vandernoot
From: Francine Black

To: Allan & Linda Zalk, In honor of their grandson Ari's Bar Mitzvah
From: Allan & Laaraine Alpert, Dina Fox

To: Julie & Barry Cohen, In honor of their son Ari's Bar Mitzvah
From: Allan & Laraine Alpert

To: Al Baum, get well
From: Katrina & David Posner

To: Bobbi Epstein, get well
From: Katrina & David Posner

To: Lee Goldman, In memory of her mother Helen Jacobson
From: Katrina & David Posner

To: Celia Brown, In memory of her mother Jeannette Malkin
From: Katrina & David Posner

ATTENTION: We are accepting donations for Bima Flowers for the High Holidays as well as donations for Break the Fast. Please contact the office.

Sisterhood Donations

To: Celia Brown, In memory of her mother Jeannette Malkin

From: Cheryl Rivers, Marion Green, Al & Helen Baum, Dina Malgeri, Larry & Carol Levine, Eleanor Fellers, David & Linda Brown, Francine Black, Mary Menovich, Beverly Hyde, Sally Galik & Steve Adler

To: Temple, In honor of daughter Heather Kahn Braver being inducted into the MHS Hall of Fame

From: Her parents, Barbara & Arthur Kahn

To: Temple, In honor of our 40th anniversary

From: Carol & Larry Levine

To: Temple, In honor of daughter Heather's new job at Fox Studios in Los Angeles, CA

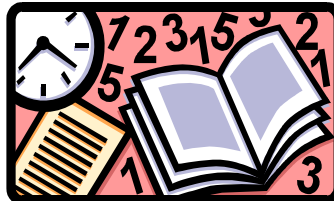
From: Carol & Larry Levine

To: Temple, In honor of our granddaughters Alyssa & Roni

From: Carol & Larry Levine

Please --- Help your synagogue by paying your Dues!!!! PLEASE HELP US OUT.

Thanks!



CANCELLATIONS OF SERVICES, ETC. FOR ANY REASON, WEATHER ESPECIALLY, WILL BE PUT ON TV CHANNELS 4, 5, AND 7.

Recycle

Recycle your Ink Jet cartridges, dispose of your cartridges in the marked box in the Temple office. Not only are you recycling, we will be getting back a donation that will be used for office supplies.

Brotherhood News

Greetings,

Hope you all are having a relaxing summer. Your hard-working board of officers have been working overtime to come up with suitable fund-raisers for the forthcoming year. We think we have succeeded.

The Scrap Recycling Department has been receiving lots of donations. And very little help. One hour a week can't be too much to ask for. Call me at (781) 223-8502 and learn how you too, can unwind wire for fun and profit.

We are still collecting anything and everything that uses electricity or batteries. Don't throw it out when it can be converted into money.

The first meeting of our new year will be this September. Watch your mailbox and email for exact details.

Les Lerman
President, Brotherhood AAEI

Ritual committee

I wish you all a happy and healthy New Year. May you and your families be inscribed in the Book of Life, and may our congregation be inscribed in the Book of Life. G-d takes care of our fate; but you hold the fate of our temple in your hands. I have tried humor; I have tried drama; I have tried exhortation. But it seems that nothing is working – it's still the same few people who come to our Shabbat minyan and our Friday night services. All we ask is 2 hours of your time on a Shabbat morning; is that too much to honor a congregation that has served several generations of residents from Malden and surrounding communities? Without your participation, our congregation will wither and die. Only you can halt this progression. Hope to see you soon at our High Holiday services.

Paula Z. Sack, Chairperson

The Tree of Life

The TREE OF LIFE is on the wall in the lobby at the entrance. Not only does this enhance the beauty of our Temple, but the purchase of a Leaf is a way to permanently commemorate a joyous occasion, a special day or a Memorial. Please consider the purchase of a Leaf on our Tree of Life.

CONTRIBUTION - \$200.00

For more information, inquire at the Temple Office (781) 322-7205

***** DO YOU NEED A RIDE TO A CONGREGATION FUNCTION OR SERVICE? *****

Call Don Weiner at (781) 324-0108. He will try to arrange transportation for you.

Do you have a Simcha coming soon? Let us help you celebrate such Happy Occasions. Sponsor an Oneg or Kiddush and enjoy with Family and Friends. Call Marilyn Masters (781) 322-2035.

****** TEI Cemetary ******

Please note that as of July 1, 2014 lots at Ezrath Israel Cemetery will be increased to \$1000.00 for members and \$1200.00 for non members. We also have a new section and if you are interested in purchasing, please contact Don or Barbara Weiner @ 781-324-0108.

Have you given your E-mail address to the office for our TEI Lifeline? We are trying to keep everyone updated on all important Temple news electronically. So, if you want to be included on this listing, please leave your information with Dina in the office at (781) 322-7205 or send to Laraine Alpert at Lja609@aol.com.

Oneg/Kiddush Sponsors

Please consider full or partial sponsorship of an Oneg Shabbat (Friday night after services), a Kiddush (Saturday morning after services) or even a Friday Night Dinner in honor of a simcha in your life, in memory of a loved one, or just because you want to. Call the shul office at 781-322-7205 for details.

****** Saturday Minyans ******

We are in need of YOU, our members, to attend Saturday Morning Services as often as you can (Men & Women). Services begin at 9:30 am, followed by Kiddush.

Come and enjoy the services and friendship of our weekly "Minyannaires."
Hope to see you soon!

****** Kaddish ******

You can now arrange for Kaddish to be said for a loved family member or friend at our weekly Shabbat Services. Call the shul office at 781-322-7205 for details.

Bingo News:

Bingo is one of our Temple livelihoods; think of this as giving a few hours a month as a nice donation to the Temple. PLEASE HELP!!! -- If anyone would like to lend a hand on Tuesday nights -- please get in touch with me. We especially need sellers on the floor for the first half.....for as long as you can stay...maybe 1 – 2 hours, once or twice a month. I will be more than happy to hear from you.

Bobbi Epstein (781) 324-7562

Sisterhood News

Hi everyone!

I hope you all had a fun and also a restful summer. The fall leaves and cooler weather will soon be upon us which means the new season of Sisterhood is here. I have had some time to reflect on our meetings from last year and I am so glad that so many of you attended the Membership meeting in October. It was nice to see and talk with you. If I forgot to say hello, I am very sorry. We were productive and had lots of fun and laughs at each of our monthly meetings. I wish I could have seen more of you attend. I know sickness and the fact that most meetings were at night and some of you might not want to go out in the dark. Some of you also might not have rides. I want you all to know that you can call me anytime if that happens, and the officers and I will get you a ride. My phone number is: 781-223-8501. Also, we are having a lot of our 2014-2015 meetings on Sundays so that will help to alleviate some of the problems many members have.

We have a great year planned. The board has worked very hard to have a variety of programs which we hope you will enjoy. If you have any ideas for programs or guest speakers you would like to see, please let me know by phone or e-mail: elerman1624@gmail.com. Also, we as a Sisterhood of Congregation Agudas Achim-Ezrath Israel, would like to have some big fundraisers and this is where we need your help. We could use some ideas for fundraisers that will bring lots of money into the congregation to help defray costs. You can call or e-mail me, or mention your ideas at meetings. We really appreciate your input and participation.

Here is our list of the 2014-2015 meetings:

September 15, 2014 Meeting

October 26, 2014 Donor Luncheon

November 9, 2014 Holiday Fair
November 16, 2014 Meeting

December 14, 2014 Chanukah Brunch

February 8, 2015 Winter get-together

March 8, 2015 Meeting

April 19, 2015 Membership Luncheon

May 17 or 18, 2015 Meeting

June 12, 2015 Sisterhood Sabbath

We have another busy year planned and I hope to see you. Have a freilich High Holiday season!

Your Sisterhood President,
Elaine Lerman

Officers of Sisterhood Congregation Agudas Achim-Ezrath Israel (2013-2015)

President	Elaine Lerman	(781) 223-8501
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Asst. Financial Secretary	Bobbi Epstein	(781) 324-7562
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Recording Secretary (Board)	Phyllis Werlin	(781) 321-0238
Corresponding Secretary (Board)	Helen Baum	(781) 322-8914

Sisterhood Contacts

Club-o-Grams:

Club-o-Gram cards are sent out for any and all occasions. Cost is \$2.50 each. Sent by chair Barbara Weiner - (781) 324-0108 or Bobbi Epstein - (781) 324-7562.

Kitchen Fund:

Other Donations can be made to support the Sisterhood kitchen – contact Kitchen Fund chair Beverly Visnick at (781) 388-6995.

Kitchen Committee:

The Sisterhood Kitchen Committee can always use assistance for Kiddushes, Temple Functions, and Sisterhood meetings and dinners. If you can offer some help, either in food preparation or setting tables, contact Marilyn Masters at (781) 322-2035.

Judaica Shop:

The Sisterhood Judaica Shop, which resides in its beautiful home in the front lobby of the building, has many items for all occasions. Call Laraine at 781-231-1140 or email lja609@aol.com if you are looking for a New Year/shower/wedding/hostess or baby gift. We have lots of mezuzahs in stock plus many other Judaica items including jewelry.

Sisterhood Club-O-Grams

CONGRATULATIONS

To: Barbara and Arthur Kahn In honor of daughter Heidi being inducted into Malden High School Hall of Fame

From: Elaine and Leslie Lerman

To: Barbara and Don Weiner In honor of granddaughter Rachael's Bat Mitzvah
From: Marilyn Masters and family, Sheila and Maurice Kipnis, Laraine and Allan Alpert, Lorraine Bendell, Sylvia and Hy Sandler, Bobbi Epstein, Dina Fox, Dottie and Bob Scott, Carol and Alan Sugerman, Paula Sack, Helen and Al Baum, Mindy and Larry Levine, Cong AAEI, Sisterhood

To: Iris Lee Marcus and Katherine Agnes Kleitz, - congratulations on their Marriage

From: Elaine and Leslie Lerman

To: Marilyn Braverman – In honor of her son Michael's Marriage

From: Sisterhood, Marilyn Masters and Family, Sheila & Maurice Kipnis, Laraine and Allan Alpert, Dina Fox, Bobbi Epstein, Carol and Alan Sugerman, Barbara and Don Weiner, Cong AAEI, Sisterhood

To: Sheila & Maurice Kipnis, In honor of grandson Jared Shwartz graduating Boston University Law School

From: Arlene & Herb Baron, Lorraine Bendell, Miriam & Ed Cohen

To: Evelyn Leeder, In honor of 99th birthday

From: Elaine Porter

To: Pearl Suckney, In honor of 100th birthday

From: Cong. AA-EI, Sisterhood, Barbara & Don Weiner, Arlene & Herb Baron

To: Beverly Visnick, In honor of grandson Tyler's graduation from Beverly H.S.

From: Elaine & Buddy

To: Tyler Visnick, In honor of graduation from Beverly H.S.

From: Aunt Elaine & Uncle Buddy

To: Alan & Lorinda Visnick, In honor of Son, Tyler's graduation from Beverly H.S.

From: Aunt Elaine & Uncle Buddy

To: Harriett Sherman, In honor of grandson, Neil Sherman becoming a Bar Mitzvah

From: Sisterhood, Marilyn Masters, Sheila & Maurice Kipnis, Dina Fox, Laraine & Allan Alpert

To: Rhoda Leckert, In honor of new home

From: Arlene & Herb Baron

To: Linda & Alan Zalk, In honor of grandson, Ari's becoming a Bar Mitzvah

From: Cong. AA-EI, Sisterhood, Dina Fox

To: Louise & Ron Choate, In honor of daughter Olivia's marriage

From: Cong. AA-EI, Sisterhood, Barbara & Don Weiner, Sylvia & Hy Sandler, Laraine & Allan Alpert, Dina Fox, Carol & Alan Sugerman

To: Barbara & Don Weiner, In honor of granddaughter Rachel Madison becoming a Bat Mitzvah

From: Cong. AA-EI, Sisterhood, Brotherhood, Marilyn Masters, Sheila & Maurice Kipnis, Laraine & Allan Alpert, Mindy & Larry Levine, Helen & Al Baum, Hy & Sylvia Sandler, Lee & Frank Goldman, Dina Fox, Bobbi Epstein, Lorraine Bendell, Arlene & Herb Baron, Beverly Visnick, Dottie & Bob Scott, Carol & Alan Sugerman, Paula Sack, Barbara & Arthur Kahn

To: Sylvia & Hy Sandler, In honor of marriage of granddaughter, Tova

From: Cong. AA-EI, Sisterhood, Brotherhood, Barbara & Don Weiner, Lee & Frank Goldman, Helen & Al Baum, Laraine & Allan Alpert, Dina Fox, Carol & Alan Sugerman, Dottie & Bob Scott, Beverly Visnick, Marilyn Masters, Paula Sack, Bobbi Epstein, Arlene & Herb Baron, Lorraine Bendell

To: Sheila & Maurice Kipnis, In honor of granddaughter, Rachel Schwartz's engagement

From: Cong. AA-EI, Sisterhood, Barbara & Don Weiner, Dina Fox, Marilyn Masters, Bobbi Epstein, Laraine & Allan Alpert, Helen & Al Baum, Arlene & Herb Baron, Lorraine Bendell

To: David & Marla Freedman, In honor of birth of granddaughter

From: Cong. AA-EI, Sisterhood, Sheila & Maurice Kipnis, Frank & Lee Goldman, Sylvia & Hy Sandler

To: Sheila & Maurice Kipnis, In honor of grandson Jared Schwartz's marriage to Allison

From: Cong. AA-EI, Sisterhood, Barbara & Don Weiner, Laraine & Allan Alpert, Marilyn Masters, Dina Fox, Bobbi Epstein, Paula Sack, Lorraine Bendell, Miriam & Ed Cohen, Dottie & Bob Scott, Helen & Al Baum, Carol & Alan Sugerman, Arlene & Herb Baron

GET WELL

To: Sandy Gay – wishing you a speedy recovery from surgery

From: Carol and Alan Sugerman, Bobbi Epstein

To: Barbara Weiner – wishing you a speedy recovery

From: Cong. AA-EI, Sisterhood, Marilyn Masters and family, Laraine and Allan Alpert, Dina Fox, Carol and Alan Sugerman, Bobbi Epstein, Sheila and Maurice Kipnis, Lorraine Bendell, Miriam and Ed Cohen, Paula Sack, Bob and Dottie Scott, Sylvia and Hy Sandler, David and Bella Westerman, Frank and Lee Goldman, Helen and Al Baum, Mindy & Larry Levine, Barbara & Arthur Kahn, Beverly Visnick, Helen & Al Baum, Arlene & Herb Baron,

To: Arlene Baron – hoping you have an easy recovery

From: Cong. AA-EI, Sisterhood, Marilyn Masters and family, Laraine and Allan Alpert, Dina Fox, Carol and Alan Sugerman, Bobbi Epstein, Sheila and Maurice Kipnis, Lorraine Bendell, Miriam and Ed Cohen, Paula Sack, Bob and Dottie Scott, Sylvia and Hy Sandler, David and Bella Westerman, Frank and Lee Goldman, Helen and Al Baum, Barbara and Don Weiner, Beverly Visnick

To: Elaine Porter

From: Sisterhood, Marilyn Aranowitz

To: Susan Freidman

From: Helen & Al Baum

To: Karen Westerman
From: Mom & Dad Bella & David Westerman
To: Danielle Alexander
From: Cong. AA-EI, Don & Barbara Weiner, Laraine & Allan Alpert, Sheila & Maurice Kipnis, Carol & Alan Sugerman, Dina Fox, Bobbi Epstein, Paula Sack, Arlene & Herb Baron, Lorraine Bendell, Dottie & Bob Scott

To: Ilysa McCarthy
From: Cong. AA-EI, Sisterhood, Barbara & Don Weiner, Laraine & Allan Alpert, Sheila & Maurice Kipnis, Carol & Alan Sugerman, Dina Fox, Bobbi Epstein, Arlene & Herb Baron, Lorraine Bendell, Paula Sack, Dottie & Bob Scott, Helen & Al Baum, Cheryl Rivers

To: Beverly Visnick
From: Cong. AA-EI, Sisterhood, Elaine, Buddy & Mark Aronson, Barbara & Don Weiner, Marilyn Masters, Sheila & Maurice Kipnis, Laraine & Allan Alpert, Dina Fox, Bobbi Epstein, Paula Sack, Dottie & Bob Scott, Arlene & Herb Baron, Lorraine Bendell, Carol & Alan Sugerman, Bobbi & Dick Giller, Claire Moretti, Lee & Frank Goldman, Sylvia & Hy Sandler, Helen & Al Baum, Evelyn Kushlan, Barbara & Arthur Kahn

To: Helen & Al Baum
From: Bella & David Westerman

To: Heidi Chait
From: Cong. AA-EI, Sisterhood, Dina Fox, Marilyn Masters

CONDOLENCES

To: Celia Brown and family In memory of mother and grandmother Jeanette
From: Cong AA-EI, sisterhood, Marilyn Masters and family, Laraine and Allan Alpert, Dina Fox, Carol and Alan Sugerman, Bobbi Epstein, Sheila and Maurice Kipnis, Lorraine Bendell, Miriam and Ed Cohen, Paula Sack, Bob and Dottie Scott, Sylvia and Hy Sandler, David and Bella Westerman, Frank and Lee Goldman, Helen and Al Baum, Vicki Hamberg, Beverly Visnick, Mindy and Larry Levine, Elaine and Leslie Lerman

To: Mr & Mrs Peter Standley, In memory of father Dr, Bader
From: Elaine and Leslie Lerman

To: Hy Sandler, In memory of Son-in-law, Alan Goldstein
From: Cong. AA-EI, Brotherhood, Lee & Frank Goldman, Barbara & Don Weiner, Bobbi Epstein, Dina Fox, Paula Sack, Helen & Al Baum, Marilyn Masters, Arlene & Herb Baron, Lorraine Bendell, Beverly Visnick, Bella & David Westerman, Philip Butkovitz

To: Trudy Goldstein, In memory of dear husband, Alan
From: Beverly Visnick

To: Arlene Ceppetelli, In memory of aunt Frances Vandernoot
From: Cong. AA-EI, Sisterhood,

To: Mrs. Robin Decker & family, In memory of mother Gloria Teller
From: Bella & David Westerman

To: Brian Grifkin, In memory of loving mother, Hon Grifkin
From: Miriam & Ed Cohen & Lorraine Bendell

To: Lit Family, In memory of wife & mother, Barbara
From: Bella & David Westerman, Barbara & Don Weiner



JF&CS Family Table Helping Those in Need

Congregation Agudas Achim - Ezrath Israel has partnered with JF&CS Family Table and will be collecting food for their monthly distributions.

Jewish Family & Children's Services Family Table provides low-income families, isolated seniors, disabled adults, unemployed, working poor and Waltham residents with emergency or monthly groceries.

JF&CS has grown dramatically since its inception, and have gone from assisting 40 families in 1993 to assisting over 400 families in Greater Boston today. With the donations of food from 48 collection sites, JF&CS Family Table currently provides Kosher food, fresh produce, dairy products, meats, and Jewish ritual and holiday items each month.

We have been asked to make a commitment to collect 1 lb boxes or bags of rice or raisins every month. Our goal is to collect ten of each item before delivering them for distribution. We hope you will help us reach our goal.

Next time you purchase your family groceries; won't you please add one of these items to your shopping cart and bring it with you to the temple? Please help us fulfill our responsibility to provide the corners of our field for the poor and needy. Help us make a difference and help feed the hungry in our community.

A collection bin has been set up in the Temple office.

Thank you,

**Phyllis Werlin
Family Table Site Coordinator for AAEI**