



# THE VOICE OF KOL EMET

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## They are all our Family

By Rabbi Howard Cove  
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In the Torah portion called *Mikeitz*, we read the climax of the story of Joseph and his brothers. Benjamin, the youngest son of Jacob who was born by Jacob's favored wife Rachel, is caught by the Egyptian authorities with stolen property. Benjamin is found with a cup that belongs to the Prime Minister of Egypt.

The Prime Minister says to the brothers that they can return to their home, but that Benjamin must remain in Egypt. At that moment, Judah (the eldest of the brothers) comes forward and tells the Prime Minister he cannot do that. "*Ki avdecha arav et hanaar* – I promised my father that I would be responsible for this child! I promised I would guarantee his safety. Therefore, you can take me if you want to, but I cannot let you take this child."

This is the turning point in the whole story. When Judah says this, Joseph is so moved by this declaration that he clears the room, and reveals who he really is. It is Judah's willingness to trade his life for the child he is responsible for that moves Joseph and brings peace in their family.

The rabbis take the word *arav*, which means 'to be responsible', and they broaden its meaning to establish the principle based on this verse, of *Kol yisrael areyvim ze lazeh* (all Israelites are responsible to and for each other). The rabbis established the principle that all Jews share the same fate, if not the same faith, and therefore when one Jew is in trouble every Jew must respond. This, to me, is the answer to the question of what you and I should be doing right now.

In modern day Israel, the lessons of *Kol yisrael areyvim ze lazeh* are being lived out. A few days ago there was a report on Israeli television that showed residents of northern Israel, including Kiryat Shemona (the site that was frequently bombed in the conflict with Lebanon, and

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whose children were sent to southern Israel for safety) as places who are now taking in children from the south, to keep them safe in the north. The hotels and guests houses of the north are open to house the children of Ashdod, Beersheva, Ashkelon, and Sderot, free of charge.

Think of that. When northern Israel was in trouble, southern Israel opened up its homes to the northern children, and now the reverse is happening. This is what it means that the Jewish people are responsible to and for each other.

The following is a story that summarizes my point:

*When the Six-day War was about to break out, when Israel felt surrounded on all sides by enemies out to destroy it, and the nations of the world seemed*

indifferent, my teacher, Dr. Heschel, was frantic. He had done a great deal on behalf of the movement to stop the war in Vietnam. He had worked closely with many Christians in that cause, and he had been very active in interfaith dialogue, and so he felt that this was the time to call in his chips. He called many of these Christian ministers with whom he had worked and asked them to do whatever they could on behalf of Israel. He asked them to sign a full-page ad on behalf of Israel that would appear in the Times. And one of them said to him: "You seem so frantic? Do you have relatives there?" Dr. Heschel answered: "You don't understand. THEY ARE ALL MY FAMILY."

They are all our family and therefore we have a responsibility to do whatever we can to help them. There are many choices. You can write a letter to the newspaper. You can make a donation to Magen David Adom (The Israeli Red Cross) or to the Jewish National Fund. You can purchase Israel Bonds.

I leave it up to you to decide what organizations you want to support. But do SOMETHING – and do it NOW – because when the family is in distress, that is what Jews are supposed to do! Because *Kol yisrael areyvim ze lazeh!* Our fate is bound up with theirs, and their fate is bound up with ours.

Shalom,  
Rabbi Cove



### Reaping the Harvest of Community

By Rabbi Susan Schein  
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On the heels of a day-long retreat sponsored by The Interfaith Center of Greater Philadelphia, I am uplifted and inspired by my encounter with more than forty Jewish, Protestant, Catholic and Muslim women in religious leadership. Together, we studied, sang and ate to the theme of the Garden of Eden, sharing ideas, challenges, dreams and joys. In so doing, we affirmed our individual paths and strengthened our spiritual bonds. How appropriate that we should plant these seeds of understanding on *Rosh Chodesh Shevat*, the first day of the month of Shevat, the month in which Jews celebrate *Tu B'Shevat*, the New Year of the Trees!

Most days each of us has countless opportunities for connection, whether it's chatting with the person working out next to us at the gym or exploring common ground with someone sitting near us at the cafe. Still, while such one-time encounters are valuable, for most of us they simply are not enough. We seek something more.

Many of you did just that by joining Kol Emet. No doubt, a compelling reason for that choice was the fact that a synagogue is grounded in Jewish values and traditions. But, had you solely wanted to attend High Holiday services, you would have made a one-time donation somewhere; had you primarily wanted to give your child a Jewish education, you would have hired a *melamed* (teacher).

No, you very intentionally joined Kol Emet, because more than the programs and services we provide, we are a community. Kol Emet is a place to meet people with similar backgrounds and shared interests, a place that allows us not only to get to know other people but also to be known by others. While we can switch health clubs or cafes at whim, as members of a synagogue community we make an implicit commitment to remain in relationship with one another and to deepen our bonds over the years. More still, Kol Emet is a *kehillah kedosha*, a "sacred community" devoted to spiritual learning and growth. It is a place where our connections with one another enable us to maintain continuity with our shared past and to shape a brighter future for our families and our world. As the Talmud teaches, "The Torah cannot be acquired except in fellowship."

That's exactly why a handful of individuals came together 25 years ago with the common purpose of establishing a Jewish community in Yardley, the place we now call Kol Emet. This year, we are blessed with the opportunity to make explicit our joy and gratitude for the relationships we have developed and cultivated, for the values we have instilled in our children, and for the traditions we have maintained and created. Join us March 20-22 for Kol Emet's Anniversary Weekend as we reflect on our history, rejoice in our accomplishments and delight in each other's company. Celebrate with us as we reap the harvest of 25 years of sacred community and begin planting anew for the next 25!



### President's Message

By Alan Kotzen  
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Not long ago you received a letter from Claudie Williams informing the members of Kol Emet of the composition of the Nominating Committee and the open Board positions for 2009-2010. The task of the Nominating Committee is to recommend individuals who can capably, competently and humbly fill those positions. The responsibility of the Board member is to objectively question and guide the fiscal, spiritual and educational direction of the

synagogue and to model the core values of Kol Emet - honoring, welcoming and engaging members; discovering spirituality and prayer; supporting life transitions with kindness and Tzedakah; and life-long learning.

Leadership at Kol Emet is a responsibility that requires commitment, belief and love. Commitment to do what is right in the best interest of the membership. Commitment of time, energy, knowledge and wealth to promote the value of Kol Emet in each member's life. Belief in the principles of spirituality and ritual. Belief, and faith, that our mission is just and fair. Love for the community we have created. Love for the community yet to be created.

What leadership at Kol Emet does not require is a title. The realization of the mission and vision of Kol Emet depends on the commitment, belief and love of EVERY one of us, not just a committee chair or board member. EVERY one of us has the responsibility of looking inward to determine the value Kol Emet brings to us and to the community. EVERY one of us has the responsibility to find our passion and bring it to the community. EVERY one of us has the responsibility to share our extraordinary experiences with the greater community.

Kol Emet does not close its doors to anyone. We honor, welcome and engage members. Kol Emet is a Reconstructionist congregation. We support and empower the discovery of spirituality and prayer, recognizing that we live in two civilizations. Kol Emet fosters *Tikkun Olam*, mitzvah and social action. We support life transitions – birth, Bar & Bat Mitzvah, marriage, retirement and death – with kindness and Tzedakah. Kol Emet encourages life-long learning from preschool through Religious School through Torah Study and Adult Education.

Spread the word. Be a leader.



**From Carrie**

**By Carrie Shames Walinsky  
Kol Emet Educational Director**

The Yiddish word “*bashert*” has no perfect translation in the English language. People may say it means “meant to be”, “fate”, or “predestined”. I would like to believe it is how G-d prepares you for life, the direction and passion you might follow, or the education you might receive when you least expect it.

So when I say it was truly *bashert* that your children were blessed several months ago with a presentation by

Gerit Shatz and the Jewish National Fund (JNF), you will understand. Allow me to explain. Prior to the uprising in the Gaza Strip during December and January, the Israeli town of Sderot had received daily missile attacks from Hamas for years. Naturally, the targets of schools, homes and hospitals are never publicized nor get national attention here in the United States. Israel went about its business protecting the community of Sderot, doing what had to be done to protect their citizens. I do not think your children would have even known about Sderot if weren't for the Jewish National Fund's presentation. The 30-minute speech and video educated your children about the daily life stresses in Sderot; how the children cannot play outside and how the children always need to know where the shelters are located. They also learned that JNF is supporting a multi-million dollar project building an indoor playground for the children of Sderot.

As an educator, I always juggle with what is important, not important, worthwhile or a waste of time, for your children. With two short hours a week to teach so much, giving up 30 minutes is precious. I know we made the right decision to educate your children this past November about the Gaza Strip from the Israeli perspective. I do believe it was “*bashert*” that we prepared them so they had a Jewish perspective as they watch the news.

Now, more than ever, Israel needs your support. Aside from the Gaza situation, the Madoff scandal has also tremendously affected Israel's well-being. Charitable organizations such as Hadassah and the Grinspoon Foundation, who supported Israel, invested billions of dollars because of Madoff and his associates.

JNF continues to support Israel through grassroots fundraising. Tu B'Shevat, which arrives on February 9<sup>th</sup>, brings with it the blossoming of almond trees and dried fresh fruits being sold in local Israeli malls and grocery stores. Once again, American children will be asked to plant a tree in Israel. Now is the time; check your child's school bag or call the office to receive the JNF envelope. Every tree purchased supports the growth and even more importantly the safety of Israel's most important possession, its children.

## Kol Emet Community

### Sisterhood

The Kol Emet Sisterhood is very excited to be a part of the 25th anniversary Weekend that will be taking place March 20-22. Please include in your calendar at least one event from the weekend. Keep an "eye" on your email for an e-vite for a girls-night-out.

We hope everyone is enjoying the beginning of 2009.

For more information please contact:

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### Men's Club

The Kol Emet Men's Club will be joining up with our friends at Ohev Shalom in Richboro for a Sunday Brunch with the voice of the Philadelphia Eagles, Merrill Reese on Sunday February 22<sup>nd</sup> at 9:30AM. We'll hear Merrill's thoughts on the season just completed and what he sees in the future for the team. The cost for this program is \$15 and reservations are required.

Please use the contact information below if you are planning to attend this event:

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## Announcements

### Volunteer for the Sacred Heart's Sunday "Lords Table" Dinner on Sunday, February 22nd

The Social Action Committee & Cheryl Gilmore are providing a Chicken a la King meal for 200 needy people at Sacred Heart's Sunday "Lords Table" on Feb. 22nd. (The recipe for the Chicken a la King is below). In addition to the main course, we will need a few families to bring a few bags of salad, as they always run short on what is donated. I was also told that if someone is a baker (or can just read boxed brownie instructions really well), they could use a few extra desserts so please arrive between 11:00 - 11:30am. If you're helping to serve, please come @ 12:30 pm. The meal should be ending @ 1:30 pm, and the clean-up should be ending by 2:30pm. The address of the church is: The Lord's Parish at Sacred Heart Church, 343 S. Broad St., Trenton, NJ. Families are welcome; children must be at least 7 years old. If you're able to cook, help, or have any questions, please contact Cheryl Gilmore (215) 504-7014 or cherpotter@comcast.net. Thank you for helping with this Mitzvah!

## Chicken a la King

(Serves 20)

### Ingredients:

3 lb. skinless, boneless chicken breasts – cut into bite size pieces (and season with a little salt and pepper)  
3 Tbs. olive oil  
3 cups milk  
1 can (10.75 oz.) cream of chicken soup  
2 cans (10.75 oz.) cream of mushroom soup  
¼ cup plus 2 Tbs. chopped pimientos  
1 Tbs. onion powder  
1 ½ tsp. ground black pepper

\*Cooked white rice for 20 servings

### Directions:

- 1) In a large soup pot, heat oil. When hot, add chicken and sauté until chicken is lightly browned and cooked through (may need to do this in a few batches so as not to overcrowd the chicken in the pan.
- 2) Stir in the milk, soups, pimientos, onion powder and pepper.
- 3) Bring all to a boil.
- 4) Cover skillet and reduce heat.
- 5) Let simmer for 2-3 minutes.
- 6) Stir together and serve over white rice.

\*For the white rice: I find it easy to store it in large plastic bags after it cools. Please pour a little olive oil over top the rice to prevent sticking.

### Staying Informed at Kol Emet

There are many ways we try to keep you informed:

- The Voice: This Newsletter.
- www.kolemet.org: Our place on the web. Includes the calendar.
- The Whisper: Weekly Email
- Religious school: Materials sent home with your children every week.

Make sure all the adults in your family gets The Weekly Whisper e-mail.

If your family has more than one e-mail address, please feel free to sign-up your multiple addresses. To get The Whisper, send an e-mail to office@kolemet.org.

# ***Kol Emet's 25th Anniversary Celebrating our Past, Looking to our Future March 20-21, 2009***

Can you believe it? Congregation Kol Emet is 25 years old.

To acknowledge this important milestone in the history of our congregation, there will be special programs throughout the coming year, drawing the festivities to a close during the High Holy Days of 2009. Events are planned to enrich the lives of our members through opportunities to study, reflect, share our stories, and celebrate our success.

The 25th Anniversary Celebration begins the weekend of March 20th with Kol Emet's first ever Scholar-in-Residence Series and an Evening of Celebration.



## **The Transformation of American Judaism:**

### **Ethnic to Spiritual -- the Search for an Adult Relationship with Judaism**

Rabbi Lawrence A. Hoffman, Ph.D., is a Professor at Hebrew Union College in NYC, Senior Academic Fellow at the Synagogue 3000 Initiative, and a member of the advisory board of the S3K Synagogue Studies Institute. He has written or edited over twenty books on Jewish topics and is a nationally renowned speaker on the evolution of the Jewish experience in America. For the Kol Emet community, he will focus on how people, today, are seeking to make a personal and relevant connection to Judaism.

Dr. Hoffman will be leading a series of discussions on Friday evening, March 20th and on Saturday Morning, March 21st.

*This Scholar-In-Residence Series is made possible through generous grants from Jewish Federation of Greater Philadelphia and The Kol Emet Endowment, as well as support from Kol Emet Sisterhood, Kol Emet Adult Education, and private donations.*



## **An Evening of Celebration**

### **Saturday Evening, March 21st**

Join the party as we nosh, dance to lively music, and joyously celebrate our congregation. This will be an evening to remember. You'll see old friends, and meet new ones as we honor the people who have made, and continue to make, Kol Emet a reality.

There will be opportunities for people to share their good wishes and congratulations to Kol Emet through sponsorship opportunities from \$100 - \$2,500 and listings in a commemorative program book.

## Mazel Tov to all of Kol Emet's February Wedding Anniversaries and Birthdays

### March Wedding Anniversaries

<u>Day</u>	<u>Couple</u>
3	Arnie & Linda Freedman – 35 years
9	Jonathan & Melissa Orsen – 6 years
14	Andy & Ellen Malavsky – 17 years
24	Bud & Sindy Dranoff – 24 years
25	Gary & Pam Lean – 14 years
25	Michael & Risha Neil – 9 years
27	Sol & Carol Bress – 34 years
29	Michael & Lorie Becker – 17 years
31	Michael & Traci Albuck – 12 years

### March Birthdays

<u>Day</u>	<u>Name</u>
1	Jake Block
1	Eliana Bortman
1	Julia Brackup
1	Reece Petro
2	Daniel Hayes
3	Christopher Gejer
3	Matthew Gulack
4	Max Berger
4	Katherin Rose
5	Ally Thomas
6	Mallory Gold
6	Brandon Goldberg

### March Birthdays

<u>Day</u>	<u>Name</u>
6	Bradley Kauffman
7	Ethan Broitman
7	Ryan Oster
8	Kayla Gressen
8	Melanie Rose
9	Samuel Bortnichak
10	Rebecca Biros
10	Julia Cove
11	Courtney Terr
11	Jeffrey Waldman
12	Tyler Harris
12	Miranda Olhasso
12	Madison Peters
12	Natalie Schwartz
13	Emma Clopton
13	Benjamin Nath
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15	Jake Berger
15	Brandon Cove
16	Meredith O'Rourke
16	Kaushik Rathuryan
16	Tyler Schwartz
17	Justin Goldberg
17	Ethan Haimovitz
17	Alexander Lean

### March Birthdays

<u>Day</u>	<u>Name</u>
17	Noah Weiss
18	Samantha Green
19	Evan O'Rourke
20	David Frank
20	Michael Levien
21	Amanda Green
21	Joshua Green
21	Darya Neil
22	Zachary Lichter
23	James Friedman
23	Victoria Pedretti
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