



TEMPLE BETH TZEDEK

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Rabbi Samuel Barth has been our rabbi since the middle of this summer. Because of the unusual one-year contract that is in effect, we need to determine if there is a good "fit" between Temple Beth Tzedek and Rabbi Barth. Our committee has been formed to try as comfortably as possible to make a report to the Board of Trustees about how successful the relationship has been in the short time that he's been here.

We're not looking for an evaluation. There simply hasn't been enough time to do that, and it wouldn't be fair to the congregation nor to Rabbi Barth. Instead, we are trying to assess how well Rabbi Barth's efforts have enhanced the congregation's goals and initiatives.

We would welcome your specific comments, if you have had an opportunity to form an opinion so far, on topics such as:

- Form and content of Shabbat, holiday and daily services
- Enhancing spiritual content of our services
- Study of Torah and other Jewish themes
- Reaching out to members in times of death, illness or distress
- Reaching out to the underserved
- Attracting new members and retaining current members
- Strengthening member participation
- Engagement of our youth
- Participation in community events and organizations

Our committee would be delighted if you care to give us some feedback by email, by phone, by letter, or in person. All responses will be strictly confidential. Your comments will be added to others we have received, but under no circumstances will any names be used. We will not accept any anonymous comments.

To reach us by email (preferred) or phone, use any our contacts listed below.

If you wish to write to the committee, remember to use the temple's **new address** (on the letterhead, above). Please mark "**ATTN: JW & Committee**" on the envelope. That way the letter will only be opened only by Ed, Harvey, Robyn or Joel.

If you prefer a face-to-face brief meeting (20 minutes or less) with one of the committee members, please call or email one of us at the contacts listed below. Do **NOT** call the Temple Office.

Thank you for your interest. Because we have a very short window of time we would like feedback no later than October 25th. We would prefer one response per temple family, but we realize there may be exceptions.

Happy and healthy new year to you and your family!

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