



The International Synagogue Welcoming the World's Travelers

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Dear Friend,

As we are on the cusp of a new and G-d willing glorious year, kindly note the unique and important work the International Synagogue is already engaged in as well as actively planning:

- Welcoming thousands of travelers from all over the world with a place for a minyan/services, private prayer, meditation, rest and reading
- The only synagogue in the world adjoining other faith chapels in a marvelous demonstration of peaceful unity
- Hosting thousands of students embarking on a trip to Israel for a year of study or a fun-filled summer. It is always a moving sight as parents, siblings, relatives and friends offer last minute hugs, tears, blessings and lasting moments
- Attending to mourners as the grieving family awaits the coffin's transport for burial in Israel
- Torah study classes for airport staff
- Holiday celebrations
- Contests for schools
- Scholarships for study in Israel
- Tours arranged for schools and camps
- Discount books for venues in Israel and New York
- Hosting Taglit/Birthright trips and synagogue groups
- Webcasts and an ultimate website for Jewish Travel. Also a comprehensive site for all halachic/Jewish tradition matters concerning travel
- Our beautiful sanctuary is available for life-cycle events
- Open to all in a true spirit of welcome to all denominations

Please support our sacred work. These endeavors are only possible with your generosity.

As many of you already know, Rabbi Bennett Rackman has moved to Florida after having served the International Synagogue for more than thirteen years. His remarkable tenure at the airport earned him acclamation and respect from the tens of thousands of lives he touched and the numerous programs he initiated. We would like to honor him by dedicating a new Torah cover in our beautiful ark in his name.

Please contribute to show true appreciation for Rabbi Bennett Rackman's Kiddush Hashem, his noble and holy service to the community.

The tradition at this time of the year entails the ritual of dipping an apple in honey and reciting a prayer for a "sweet new year". The purpose of dipping a sweet apple in sweet honey is that each represents a different concept: an apple - as Jewish sources posit - stands for spiritual sweetness, while honey - which must be carefully gleaned to avoid being stung - stands for material sweetness.

May G-d grant us all a year of good health, communal and world peace and spiritual and material success and sweetness. **כתיבה וחתימה טובה**



Sincerely,

Rabbi Ari Korenblit

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I would like to donate \$_____ to support the wonderful activities of The International Synagogue

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