



Temple Adat Shalom

The Center For Reform Jewish Life
North Inland County, San Diego

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Dear Temple Family,

The past week has been a whirlwind of emotions and countless hours of work. Our world as we knew it has abruptly changed.

Our utmost concern during these challenging times is for the well-being of each of our congregants, our employees, and their family members.

Rabbi, Cantor, Phil, Dennis, Marilyn, and your board of Directors, have been in communication and are working together to ensure our congregants, employees, and those we serve through Ganon Gil and the Nest know that we remain here for them through this unprecedented crisis.

As you may be aware, Ganon Gil and The Nest have been closed since March 16, but notes and videos of love and kindness have been sent out by Marilyn and Shelly. Our Mosad Shalom students have also been unable to physically come together for classes since mid-March, but Dennis, Rabbi, Cantor, and the teachers have been conducting online sessions and communicating with our students.

The closing of The Nest and Gannon Gil and the cancellation of all future fundraising and social events, plus the loss of our rental income from One Heart One Mind and The San Diego Children's Choir, will have a significant financial impact on the TAS monthly income.

As a result, the Board of Trustees has taken unprecedented and swift action to immediately secure the financial future of TAS. In the coming days you will be receiving a letter explaining TAS' anticipated financial situation and an explanation of the difficult decisions that we have had to make, and how we are working to ensure that we will be in the best position to maintain our financial stability over what may be a long and protracted shut-down period. The Board's actions will ensure that TAS will emerge in a position that will allow us to move forward once this crisis has passed.



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In the meantime, we will continue to research all possible Federal relief programs that may become available under the Stimulus Bill that is nearing congressional approval. We will explore and apply for any programs that are applicable to TAS when, and if, they become available.

When the thunder of this storm passes, we are confident the heart and soul of TAS will be stronger, the bonds that exist will not have faltered. While we cannot gather together physically with you at this time, our clergy has been reaching out by telephone, and we are in the process of planning virtual social gatherings for us all to come together. We hold each and every one of you in our thoughts and prayers and look forward to the day when we can wrap our arms around you again.

We both remain available to you by email or telephone. Our contact information will be in the letter you will receive shortly. In the meantime, if you need to reach us and do not have our contact information, please call the office to obtain this information.

Do not hesitate to reach out, whether it is a question regarding what is happening at TAS, or if you have a personal need or you know someone who needs assistance, to share your advice, or if you simply are feeling isolated and need an ear. We are here for you.

We, as a congregation, have weathered storms in the past by joining hands and walking together. We are family- we celebrate together and cry together. Yes, these are unprecedented times. However, together will meet this challenge and overcome once again.

Stay safe and healthy.

Hannah and Elizabeth