

Please read this introductory note from Yasmin to our congregation (June 2020)

Shalom Agudas!

My name is Yasmin Drescher, and I'm so happy to be able to say that I'm going to be your next shlichah.

A little about myself – I'm 22, soon to finish my grueling but meaningful army service as an Arabic translator. Before the army I took part in a year-long gap year called Mechinat Gal, where I lived, learned, volunteered and traveled Israel with 30 of my peers in an extremely diverse group. That year really shaped my identity and taught me so much about myself, about society, about Israel and about life in general.

My dad made Aliyah in 1982 and met my mom on her moshav here in Israel. Throughout the following years, my family moved back and forth between the States and Israel, resulting in me and my brother and sister growing up partially in West Hartford, CT, and Ra'Anana, Israel. I feel blessed to have family on both sides of the globe and to be able to call many different places little pieces of home.

I'm thrilled to start this journey and to find my place in your lovely congregation. The connection between Israel and the diaspora has been a huge part of my upbringing and my life and I can't wait to take an active part in deepening it. I'm looking forward to getting to know you, your families, your community and Alexandria, and bringing Israel a little closer to Agudas Achim.

If you would like, feel free to get in touch with me at yasmindrescher@gmail.com.

L'hitraot - See you soon!

Yasmin