

Senior Rabbi Uri's vision for TKAE 2050

TKAE, a seed sown by our visionary founding Rabbi Sheldon Harr in a humble trailer in 1975, has blossomed into Broward County's grandest synagogue. Guided by the dreams of devoted visionaries, we've transcended eras of shifting Jewish demographics, evolving spiritual needs, and transforming perspectives on Israel. Amidst these changes, TKAE stands unwavering as the heart of the Broward Jewish community.

In 2022, I embarked on this sacred journey as your Senior Rabbi, and as we approach our momentous 50th anniversary in 2025, I stand before you, a steward of continuity and growth. My aspiration extends beyond a mere three years; I long to lead this congregation into 2050 and beyond, nurturing the flame of faith that binds us.



During my tenure, 2022-2025, I am committed to setting the bedrock of a dream that encompasses spirituality, intellect, and infrastructure. A dream rooted in an all-embracing Judaism, where our temple extends an open invitation to every soul seeking connection.

- ▶ My conviction lies in imparting Torah's wisdom to all generations. It's through a steady stream of Jewish learning that we forge an unshakeable Jewish identity, a shared legacy we can pass down.
- ▶ Hebrew, the pulse of our tradition, is my compass. In this language, we find a bridge to our heritage, Torah, prayer, and the soul of Israel, fostering a timeless bond.
- ▶ Our journey will be marked by "ands," not "ors." Within our walls, a harmonious tapestry of traditions will converge, celebrating the myriad colors of Jewish life and experience.
- ▶ Zionism shall breathe life into our core, fueling our Jewish essence. Tradition, an anchor, will infuse our celebrations with authenticity and depth.
- ▶ Diversity will be our beacon. Under our roof, the myriad paths of Jewish experience shall converge, honoring the tapestry of individual beliefs.
- ▶ Guided by the noble principle of Tikun Olam, we'll cultivate a legacy of service. Our daily actions will ripple outward, transforming our world one step at a time, emanating from within ourselves to encompass the vast expanse of humanity.
- ▶ Memory shall serve as our compass, urging us forward. The Shoah and the enduring history of antisemitism will not define us, but instead, they'll propel us as beacons of justice and champions of minority rights.

My faith lies unwavering in the resilience of the Jewish people. As one generation gives way to the next, we are not an "ever-dying people," but a phoenix forever reborn. Our journey at TKAE, poised on the brink of 25 more years, is a testament to our undying spirit, ever striving to illuminate the path ahead.

Together, let us build a future where the values we cherish shine brilliantly and where TKAE remains a beacon of hope for generations yet to come.

