



31 Mt. Ebo Road North, Brewster, New York 10509

Application for Membership

Family Name:	
Address including city/state/zip code:	
Home Phone:	Is this an unlisted number? Yes/No May we include on published membership roster? Yes/No
Wedding Anniversary including year:	
How did you become aware of Temple Beth Elohim?	

At Temple Beth Elohim we use an automated telephone messaging system to relay important information to our members such as cancellations, deaths, reminders of upcoming events. Unless you request to NOT have your family included, you will receive messages via this system.

Male Head of Household

Female Head of Household

	Male Head of Household	Female Head of Household
Full Name		
Birth date		
Mobile Phone		
Fax Number		
Email Address		
Occupation		
Firm Name		
Business Phone		
Okay to phone?		
Hobbies/Interests		
Special Skills/Talent		
Past Temple Affiliations		
City, State		
Membership Dates		
Offices Held		
Do you read Hebrew?		
Do you speak Hebrew?		

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We are a close-knit organization, dependent on our membership to give generously of their time. Members are encouraged to participate actively on committees, etc. Each member is scheduled to serve either as an Usher or an Oneg Shabbat Hostess once each year. Is there any reason you cannot become actively involved? Please explain.

Temple Committees:

Please enter member's name next to any committee(s) which are of particular interest:

	Name		Name
Sisterhood	_____	Board of Education	_____
Men's Club	_____	House and Grounds	_____
Public Relations	_____	Membership	_____
Ritual	_____	By-Laws	_____
Fund Raising	_____	Budget and Finance	_____
Youth	_____	Ways & Means (long-	_____
Choir	_____	term planning)	_____
Newsletter	_____	Religious School	_____
Telephone Squad	_____	Helping Hands	_____
Publicity	_____	Programming	_____
Social Action	_____	Mitzvah	_____

Information re children living at home:

Child's Name	Hebrew Name	Date of Birth

If you have college student(s) who would like to receive care packages and our monthly newsletter, please give their names, college addresses, e-mail addresses, and graduation date below:

Please list any yahrzeits of which you wish to be notified on a yearly basis:

Name	Relationship	Eng Date (include yr)	Hebrew Date	Before or after sundown?

Which aspects of Temple membership are most important to you? (check as many as appropriate)

- Religious (Fri., Sat. Services, High Holydays) _____
- Sunday School _____
- Social _____
- Community service _____
- Other _____
- All of the above _____

Completed by: _____
(Signature)

Please note:

New memberships are subject to approval by the Temple Board of Directors.
Please be sure to read and sign the Covenant on Page 4 of this application.

COVENANT

Welcome to Temple Beth Elohim! We are delighted that you have decided to become part of our community. While people join congregations for a variety of reasons, we hope that as you learn all of the possible ways that belonging to the congregation can positively impact your and your family's lives that your involvement will grow. Our job is to respond to your current needs and to inspire you to explore how Temple Beth Elohim and Reform Judaism can enhance your life.

We want you to feel known and cared about when you enter the Temple. Our hope is that you to feel the support that our Jewish community, traditions and ways of thinking can bring you as you navigate through life's ups and downs. To that end, we have developed this Covenant (Brit) of Membership outline to show you what you can expect from Temple Beth Elohim and what you can do to enjoy the full benefits of our congregation. In its efforts to meet your needs, Temple Beth Elohim will:

- Be a place where you are valued and cared for
- Get to know you and every member of your family
- Provide life-long Jewish education for every member of your family
- Provide meaningful religious services and experiences
- Provide information about and celebrations of the Jewish holidays
- Provide spiritual and community support for all of your life cycle events
- Provide the spiritual, emotional, and practical support for the issues you experience along your life journey
- Provide pastoral counseling on a one-to-one basis, as needed
- Provide a source of good friendships based on common interests

In return, we hope you will:

- Remain open to experiencing and exploring the many aspects Temple life can provide
- Understand the vision of Temple Beth Elohim and why it is important
- Commit to the fact that Judaism and Temple life is important to all the members of a family, not just the children
- Make a real effort to get to know the our clergy, the Temple staff, as well as fellow congregants
- Find some special way to get involved with the congregation and become an active participant in the caring culture of Temple Beth Elohim
- Attend as many religious services and Temple events as possible
- Look for ways to find your personal connection to Judaism and take small steps to incorporate it into your everyday life
- Speak up if there is a problem and help find a solution
- Be responsible for your agreed upon financial commitments to Temple Beth Elohim

Signature: _____

Date: _____