

President's Message February 2011

I am so energized about our temple trip to Israel. Since Iris and I made Aliyah three years ago, I can't wait to go back. But to be able to do this with the temple community I have come to love makes it so much more special. The first planning meeting was on this past Sunday, January 30th. So it has occurred by the time you read my message. If you didn't make the meeting, I will make sure that the information is distributed to everyone.

Of my favorite places, we are going to almost all of them, based on the initial itinerary that Rabbi Lewis has put together. Jerusalem was my spiritual favorite. Walking the streets of the Old City and feeling history oozing out all around you, along with praying at the Western Wall were experiences I cannot express in words. While swimming in the Dead Sea, I can't remember when I have laughed so hard, because you just kept popping up to the surface. It was an experience I will always remember.

For yourselves, I urge you to do everything you can to join us this December.

Love,
Howie Hirsch