

President's Message December 2011

I have just finished celebrating the Thanksgiving holiday. I am going to use my column this month to list the things that I am thankful for:

I am thankful that I have a wonderful wife who supports me in my temple work, as well as with the rest of my life.

I am thankful that my family and I are relatively healthy.

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I am thankful that we have peace internally in the US and the "Occupy" crews are allowed to speak their minds without fear of retribution.

I am thankful that I live in the USA, the greatest country in the world.

I am thankful for the ability to have hope. When things look the darkest, hope is a great ally.

I am thankful for the ability to perform Mitzvot and help others.

"But most of all"; I am thankful that you think enough of me to let me continue to lead the Jewish Center.

I hope that I have earned your trust and respect, and that when you have your family visit the synagogue, that I am part of the atmosphere that makes them feel welcome.

I wish you all a Happy Chanukah and a HEALTHY New Year.

Love,
Howie