

## **Rabbi Zamore's Message for September, 2013**

*"In prayer we gather the strength and divination which enables us to become the fulfillment of the Divine Will, thus advancing the purpose which God has set for humanity and Israel. The flowering of true prayer is a resolve which fills our being and unites all our powers in the service of God."*

- Joseph Albo, 14<sup>th</sup> Century Spain

- Thank you to the founders who had the vision to build a synagogue where Judaism had not yet flourished.
- Thank you to all who shared that dream of building a house of prayer, study, education, and caring community.
- Thank you to those who built this rich, loving community and thank you to those who will continue the work. A special thank you to [Rabbi Lewis](#) for passing the baton to me with such care and generosity.

May it be God's will that the Jewish Center of Northwest Jersey continue to be a model of prayer, study, service, and community. May we blossom under God's watchful eye so that this synagogue be a center of support and celebration. And may our members and greater community be enriched by our service to God's vision for a world perfected.

As I join this vibrant Temple Family, I look forward to many years of teaching and leading this community alongside the many able and willing lay leaders. I know it will be a pleasure to work with all who are involved in this community and to learn from you. In the coming weeks and months, I will have the pleasure of being engaged with all aspects of this synagogue. As I integrate into the daily life of JCNWJ, I look forward to getting to know each of you and your families.

Please feel free to reach out and introduce yourself to me. My family and I thank everyone for the warm welcome we have already received.

*Shanah tovah u'metukah* – A sweet year to you and your entire family!

L'Shalom,

Rabbi Mary L. Zamore