



# *Renewing the Promise of Torah*

**What:** In celebration of 120 years as a Congregation and 50 years at our current location, the congregants of Beth Yeshurun will be writing a new Torah. The writing of a new Torah is the last of the 613 Mitzvot. This Torah project will be the central part of a year of learning that strengthens our ties to Torah, Israel and each other.

**How:** The writing of a Torah is a sacred task; it involves a skilled artisan called a sofer. Our Torah will be created one letter at a time. Every family will have the chance to hold the quill with the Sofer and write one letter in the Torah.

Congregants will schedule a time when the sofer is in town. A meaningful experience will be provided to you and your family that culminates in the writing of a letter in the Torah. Times can be scheduled by contacting the Torah project administrator at the synagogue office at 713-666-1881.

**Cost:** The mitzvah of writing the Torah will be available to every Beth Yeshurun member. There is no financial obligation to scribe a letter. Stories, parshas, and names with individual meaning to you and your family will be available for dedication. There is no limit to the meaningful connections between you and the Torah project.

**Why:** Beth Yeshurun is fortunate to have many Torahs but some are getting worn and unusable. This year long project will involve the entire Congregation in fulfilling a Mitzvah and culminate with the dedication of a new congregational Torah.

**Who:** Participation is available to all Beth Yeshurun congregants. Congregants will scribe a letter in the Torah and have opportunities to participate in a variety of volunteer opportunities in support of the Torah Project.

**More:** If you have additional questions or wish to volunteer, contact the Torah Project Administrator at Beth Yeshurun, 713-666-1881.



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## Dates That Our Sofer Will Be at Beth Yeshurun:

October 30-31 (Opening Ceremony)

November 20-21

December 18-19 (ideal for families with college-age kids)

January 29-30

February 26-27

March 13-14

April 18-19

*There are many more activities planned, so be looking for new announcements as they happen.*