## United Orthodox Synagogues Create A Jewish Legacy Adar 5775

"I found a fruitful world, because my ancestors planted it for me. Likewise, I am planting for my children. –Talmud, Taanit 23a, Honi the Circle-Drawer

United Orthodox Synagogues, with roots in the Houston community for more than 100 years, is a modern Orthodox synagogue committed to providing our diverse community with a place for prayer, *chesed*, life cycle fulfillment, and communal belonging. Our goal is to inspire all of our members, young and old, and our guests with a love of Torah, *Derech Eretz*, and the State of Israel.

We area welcoming, caring community that is totally committed to the meticulous adherence to Halacha and the highest ethical standards. We believe in the philosophy of Torah u'Mada, commitment to Torah, halakhah and the quest for kedushah, and to open intellectual inquiry and expression in both the secular and religious arenas; we seek engagement with the social, political and technological realities of the modern world

We welcome, embrace, and value Jews of all backgrounds, affiliations, level of religious commitment and in all stages of life. We seek to enhance the spiritual, educational, social, and cultural experiences of our members and greater Houston Jewish community by providing meaningful prayer, Torah learning, *chesed* opportunities, and youth programming that foster lifelong commitment to Torah and *Mitzvot*.

United Orthodox Synagogues values equally the contributions of women and men, and encourages everyone's active participation in all aspects of synagogue life. We cherish a sense of community in which Jews gather to share in joy and sorrow, moving through the cycle of life together as a family.

We recognize the religious significance of the establishment of the State of Israel and commit ourselves to unwavering support of Israel in every way - financially, morally, and spiritually. We encourage deep respect, gratitude, and affection for the United States of America, including the religious freedom it affords to all and its support of Israel. We understand that our community goes beyond the synagogue's doors and are an active and significant part of the larger Houston Jewish community.

We have all made and continue to make gifts and contributions to sustain our congregation, and now we, like Honi, The Circle Drawer, must plan for the future. Our legacy donors are members, like you, who are firm in their commitment to preserve and promote Judaism. Your legacy gift will include you with those who wish to see our grandchildren embrace the orthodoxy we cherish and nurture, so we can sustain a fruitful world.

Please Join Us!