



Dear Friends,

It's hard to believe the secular New Year is upon us and it is time already to turn our thoughts to Purim, which will be celebrated on February 27th and 28th, 2010. This year, the Shaarei Kodesh Purim Committee will once again be preparing SHALACH MANOT baskets for **each** of our congregants. This is a way for you to fulfill the two of the three mitzvot that we observe during Purim – giving tzedakah (donation to a charity) and sending shalach manot (a gift of traditional PURIM foods/goodies to two or more friends/family). The third mitzvah is to listen to the reading of the Megillah (the story of Esther).

You can participate in the giving of shalach manot in several ways:

- 1) include your name on **all congregants' baskets** (\$136)
- 2) include your name on **as many congregants' baskets as you would like** (\$12 per congregant)
- 3) purchase **individual baskets that you can distribute to friends and family** (\$15 per basket)

You also have the opportunity to do an additional Mitzvah. Our congregation will once again be taking part in the Connections Israel program which sends shalach manot baskets to the Israeli soldiers. It is especially important this year that the young men and women in the IDF know that we are in support of what they are doing for their country and we are thinking of them in our prayers. You can sponsor a shalach manot basket for an IDF soldier by making an additional \$10 donation. Please indicate your desire to partake in this mitzvah on the order form.

Congregation Shaarei Kodesh looks forward to everyone's participation in fulfilling these mitzvot. Use the attached form to indicate those families to whom you wish to send Shalach Manot baskets. Each congregant's basket will be available for pick-up Monday, February 22, 2010. Please indicate if you would prefer that your basket be donated to the residents of JARC.

Your early reply is greatly appreciated.

All orders must be received by February 11, 2010. Checks are made payable to: Congregation Shaarei Kodesh and should be mailed with your order form to:

19785 Hampton Drive, Boca Raton, FL 33434.

Please join us in celebrating the holiday of Purim on Saturday, February 27th at 7:30 PM and on Sunday, February 28th at 9:00 AM to hear the reading of the Megillah. Costumes welcome!

Thank you for your support.

The Shaarei Kodesh Purim Committee

*** Parents - Don't forget to give us the addresses of your college students - as Congregation Shaarei Kodesh would like to send them a Shalach Manot basket as well. ***



**PURIM BASKET
Order Form**

Name _____

Phone _____

e-Mail _____

Please donate my basket to the residents of JARC

I have enclosed a check as follows:

_____ All congregants baskets @ \$136.00 each = _____

_____ # of individual congregant baskets @ \$12.00 each = _____
(please check names off on enclosed list)

_____ # of additional family and friends @ \$15.00 each = _____

_____ # of Israeli soldier baskets @ \$10.00 each = _____

Total amount enclosed = _____

College Student Addresses

Name _____

College _____

Address _____

City, State, Zip _____



Name _____

College _____

Address _____

City, State, Zip _____

Please return congregational list and order form by February 11, 2010.

Mail to: Congregation Shaarei Kodesh
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Any questions please contact the synagogue office at (561) 852-6555