



Congregation Kol Emeth  
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## Fiscal Year 2011-2012

Shalom and welcome to Kol Emeth!

What makes a great congregation *your* congregation? At Kol Emeth, we think it's the people. We're a mix of young and old, families and singles, observant and, well, not so observant. "Inclusive" describes us. We're egalitarian, conservative – and traditional, too. There's the opportunity to *daven* every day, whether at daily minyans or Friday and Saturday Shabbat services. One Friday a month, many of us even head over to the Rabbi's house for "Barkhu at the Booths," for an informal back yard service. On Shabbat mornings throughout the year, we offer Torah for Tots (for children 2-5) and our Baby Shabbat program (ages up to 2). Are you looking for a strong Jewish education? We have it, for both youth and adults. Our Religious School incorporates many creative and innovative ways of engaging your children. This year we are rolling out an exciting new religious school model.

There are lots of ways to get involved and socialize on a regular basis with a smaller group of other members: you can join our established Sisterhood or the Retired Men's Club. Or you can join one of our volunteer-run committees, such as Tikkun Olam, Israel Action or Education. We want our congregation to be *your* congregation. Please check us out, starting with this packet and our website at [www.kolemeth.org](http://www.kolemeth.org). Here's a quick overview of what you'll find:

### **HIGH HOLIDAYS:**

Your membership includes seating at Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur services, for you and your immediate family. Additional seating for the guests of members is available by advanced registration (children over age 24, other relatives and friends). Childcare is available at a modest fee and must be arranged in advance.

### **SERVICES:**

- **Friday**, 6 pm (usually lasts an hour)
- **Saturday**, 9:15 am to 12:15 pm. Service is followed by Kiddush and a light buffet luncheon. Torah for Tots (songs and stories for ages 1-5) meets each Saturday at 11:15 am. Babysitting is available 10 am to 1 pm weekly for ages 2-5.
- **Sunday**, 9:15 am Minyan; 10:15 am Talmud study.
- **Thursday**, morning Minyan, 6:45 am.
- **Daily Minyan**, 7:45 pm Sunday through Thursday evenings in the Small Sanctuary (near the parking lot)

**EDUCATION:** Religious School, grades K-8. Kol High, grades 9-12. See School Enrollment Form for further information (and visit: <http://www.kolemeth.org/education/youth-education>).

**YOUTH GROUPS:** Junior Kadima (grades 4-6), Kadima (grades 7-8), and USY (grades 9-12).

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact the synagogue office at (650) 948-7498. We hope you will choose to become part of the present and future of our congregation.

Sincerely,

Adin C. Miller  
Membership Chair

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## MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

**July 2011-June 2012**

**TODAY'S DATE:** \_\_\_\_\_

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| ADULT 1<br>Last Name _____<br>First Name _____<br>M ___ F ___ | Hebrew Name Transliterated<br>(e.g. David ben Samuel v'Sara or Sara bat<br>Daniel v'Rebecca) | Are you a:<br>Cohen ___<br>or a<br>Levi ___   | Date of birth _____<br>Date of marriage<br>(if applicable) _____ |
| E-mail address _____  |  | Can we publish your email in our KE Directory? YES ___ NO ___<br>Would you like to receive KE email notices? YES ___ NO ___ |  |

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| ADULT 2<br>Last Name _____<br>First Name _____<br>M ___ F ___ | Hebrew Name Transliterated<br>(e.g. David ben Samuel v'Sara or Sara bat<br>Daniel v'Rebecca) | Are you a:<br>Cohen ___<br>or a<br>Levi ___   | Date of birth _____ |
| E-mail address _____  |  | Can we publish your email in our KE Directory? YES ___ NO ___<br>Would you like to receive KE email notices? YES ___ NO ___ |                     |

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|----------------------|--------------------|--|
| Street address _____ | City and Zip _____ | Home Phone _____                                     |
|                      |                    | Cell Phone ADULT 1 _____<br>Cell Phone ADULT 2 _____ |

|            | ADULT 1 | ADULT 2 |
|------------|---------|---------|
| Occupation |         |         |
| Employer   |         |         |
| Work Phone |         |         |

What attracted you to Kol Emeth? Why are you (and your family if applicable) joining?  
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Last Synagogue Affiliation and Location  
 \_\_\_\_\_

**CHILDREN** (please continue on additional sheet if necessary)

|                            | CHILD 1 | CHILD 2 | CHILD 3 |
|----------------------------|---------|---------|---------|
| Name/ Gender               |         |         |         |
| Hebrew Name Transliterated |         |         |         |
| Date of Birth              |         |         |         |
| Name of School             |         |         |         |
| Grade/Year                 |         |         |         |

**To the Board of Directors of Congregation Kol Emeth**

I/we hereby make application for membership with Congregation Kol Emeth. I/we agree to make all membership and fee payments promptly and willingly accept the obligations of membership. In the event I/we should have to terminate membership, I/we will notify the synagogue of this in writing, and will settle outstanding accounts with the synagogue office

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**Adult 1 Signature**

**Date**

**Adult 2 Signature**

**Date**

Please submit this application with an initial payment of \$100. The remainder of your annual obligation will be billed on the frequency you select. Membership includes High Holy Days seating for members in good standing. If you have any questions, please call the Kol Emeth office.

**Membership Dues  
For Fiscal Year July 1, 2011 – June 30, 2012**

| <u>Membership Category</u> | <u>Annual Dues</u> | <u>Building Assessment</u> |
|----------------------------|--------------------|----------------------------|
| Full Family Membership     | \$2,670            | \$1,000 <sup>1</sup>       |
| Single Member              | \$1,335            | \$500 <sup>2</sup>         |
| Retired/Senior Family      | \$1,530            | none                       |
| Retired/Senior Single      | \$765              | none                       |

Young Adults (under age 40 by oldest person in household):

| Age by oldest person in household       | FAMILY  | INDIVIDUAL |
|---|---------|------------|
| 35-39                                   | \$1,000 | \$750      |
| 30-34                                   | \$500   | \$350      |
| Under age 30 or both full time students | \$300   | \$200      |

**New Members**

**You are invited to join at an introductory rate that covers membership through June 30, 2012.**

**Rates are:**

Family membership \$660

Single membership \$330

Note: All introductory rates expire as of June 30, 2012, at which time, should you decide to continue your Kol Emeth membership, your dues will conform to standard membership rates.

Voluntary Maintenance fees \$36/yr/adult

( Please check box if you would like to opt out)

- **It is our synagogue's policy that membership be affordable to all who wish to be members. No one is denied membership at Kol Emeth for financial reasons.**

Requests for Financial Consideration should be explained here:

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<sup>1</sup>Billed at \$200 per year over 5 years beginning the second year of membership.

<sup>2</sup>Billed at \$100 per year over 5 years beginning the second year of membership.



# CONGREGATION KOL EMETH NEW MEMBER QUESTIONNAIRE

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

1. What activities within the synagogue would interest you?

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|---|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Shabbat and Holiday Services | <input type="checkbox"/> Social Action          |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Daily Minyan                 | <input type="checkbox"/> Youth Activities       |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Religious School             | <input type="checkbox"/> Other (please specify) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Adult Studies                | _____   |

2. Do you have any special skills, interests or expertise you might want to contribute to the congregation? (i.e. Torah reading, service leading, shofar blowing, etc?)

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3. We are always looking for volunteers in many areas. Please check those that you would be willing to help with.

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| <input type="checkbox"/> High Holidays          | <input type="checkbox"/> Progressive Dinner            |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Shalach Manot (Purim)  | <input type="checkbox"/> Trivia Night                  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Religious School       | <input type="checkbox"/> Religious Practices Committee |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Social Events          | <input type="checkbox"/> Social Action Committee       |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Office Help (mailings) | <input type="checkbox"/> Library Committee             |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Greeter                | <input type="checkbox"/> Adult Education Committee     |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Sound System           | <input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____                  |

4. Have you held positions of responsibility in other congregations? Please provide details.

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# CONGREGATION KOL EMETH Yahrzeit Information

As a service to the congregation, we would like to remind you when a Yahrzeit of a loved one approaches. Please supply the following information, if applicable.

| YOUR NAME | YOUR ADDRESS |
|-----------|--------------|
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|---------------------------------|--|
| Name of Deceased                |  |
| Hebrew Name                     |  |
| Relationship                    |  |
| Month, Day, Year, Time of Death |  |
| Remembered by                   |  |

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