

RABBINICAL PLACEMENT COMMISSION

790 Madison Avenue

New York, N.Y. 10021

APPLICATION FROM CONGREGATION Temple Beth Israel

LOCATION 840 Highland Road Sharon, Pennsylvania 16125
city state

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MEMBERSHIP 245 RELIGIOUS SCHOOL POPULATION 55
no. of Families

ARE WEEKDAY CLASSES CONDUCTED? Yes (over) NURSERY SCHOOL No

AGE OF CONGREGATION 85 years old-founded 1888 HOW LONG REFORM? 28 years-since 1945

DESCRIBE YOUR FACILITIES, GIVING AGE A split level, 23 years old, Temple with a separate
sanctuary (seating 350), a social hall (seating 250) with a stage, kitchen facilities, (over)

PROFESSIONAL STAFF INCLUDES: Full time secretary and custodian, part time religious school principal, part time choir director, part time lay cantor. There is a complete religious school faculty with many professional teachers (secular) and other lay personnel. (over)

LIST SPECIAL QUALIFICATIONS DESIRED OF RABBI:

Congregational age range and lack of professional staff requires a Rabbi that is reasonably well versed in most areas of Rabbinic activity including administration. A mature (over)

CONGREGATION'S VIEW OF REFORM JUDAISM (Ceremonial traditions, etc.)

The Congregation has a free and liberal Pulpit and is inclined towards traditional ceremonies. Two years ago a local Orthodox Congregation was merged with our Temple. Laymen conduct (over)

LOCATION OF TEMPLE IN RELATION TO MAJORITY OF MEMBERS' RESIDENCES:

The Temple is in close proximity to the major residential area of the Congregants.

SPECIAL ATTRACTIONS OF CONGREGATION OR COMMUNITY (e.g., available colleges for graduate study or teaching; opportunity for chaplaincy; quality of public schools; cultural advantages)

Penn State University Campus, Thiel College, Westminster and Edinboro Colleges nearby, and Youngstown State University is 20 minutes away by car. A Chautauqua engagement each year, (over)

SALARY OFFERED RABBI Commensurate with prior PERCENTAGE PENSION OFFERED 18%
experience

Is Congregation enrolled in Rabbinical Pension Plan Yes

Check which additional benefits may be offered Reasonable relocation expenses will be paid.

Blue Cross-Blue Shield Major-Medical ☒ Income-Disability Insurance ☒

Convention allowance ☒ CCAR-UAHC and Pennsylvania Are these negotiable? Yes
Biennial Fully paid for Rabbi.

AVAILABLE HOUSING FOR RABBI: (indicate whether Congregation will assist Rabbi financially in obtaining housing) Congregation owns a two-story, brick home in a good residential area near the Temple.

We can furnish the rent free, offer rental, or an apartment allowance.
Our Congregation agrees to follow the enclosed "Suggestions for Procedure in Rabbinical-Congregational Relationship"

Signed Donald L. Cohen M.D.

Title Vice President - Chairman of the Pulpit
Committee

December 12, 1973

Are Weekday Classes Conducted? (continued) Midweek - Hebrew and Bar/Bat Mitzvah
Sunday night - high school level religious training

Describe your Facilities, Giving Age (continued) the traditional Chapel, a library,
meeting room (seating 50-100), the Rabbi's study, and the administrative office

Professional Staff Includes: (continued) Midweek there is a Hebrew program with
the Rabbi and lay teachers.

List Special Qualifications Desired of Rabbi: (continued) man who would be
comfortable settling in a small town somewhat distant from major cities
would be most desirable. We would also prefer a Rabbi who will appeal
to the young people.

Congregation's View of Reform Judaism (Ceremonial traditions, etc.) (continued)
a regular Orthodox service which does not require the participation of the
Rabbi. The annual Kallah Weekend brings outstanding Jewish scholars to the
community.

Special Attractions Of Congregation Or Community (e.g., available colleges for
graduate study or teaching; opportunity for chaplaincy; quality of public schools;
cultural advantages) (continued) warm fellowship with liberal Christian Ministers
in the area, an attractive Temple, proximity to a larger Jewish community
in Youngstown, Ohio, and excellent public schools.