

Beth Israel Congregation
Latrobe, Pennsylvania
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Dear Member:

The cost of religion like everything else has gone up. At the last meeting of the Board of Directors it was decided that the dues would be increased \$25.00 on each category and that some of the members who are now paying \$75.00 would be increased to \$125.00 after a review.

In taking over the office of treasurer I was amazed with the disregard of good business practices. Our bank balance showed a deficit of \$354.76. It is necessary that I get your check for your dues in the amount of \$_____ as early as possible. If there is any hardship we can break your annual dues into monthly or quarterly payments.

I noticed that in past years many of our members who could afford it have fallen down in giving donations above their regular dues. This money is necessary in every synagogue in order that we may someday obtain additional things we need, and make contributions to outside charities which are constantly demanding money.

May I have your complete co-operation?

Sincerely yours,

TREASURER