



Woodside
Synagogue

2021
Banquet
Honoring

Rabbi
Moshe
and
Devora
Walter

You are cordially invited to attend the

Woodside Synagogue Ahavas Torah

Virtual Banquet honoring

Rabbi Moshe and Mrs. Devora Walter

For a decade of
dedication to and leadership of
our shul and the Greater Washington Jewish Community

May 31, 2021 6:00 P.M.

Ads and ticket reservations may be purchased at
wsat.org/banquet or via email to banquet@wsat.org.

We look forward to celebrating the Walters together!

Woodside Synagogue Ahavas Torah is honored to recognize Rabbi Moshe and Mrs. Devora Walter at its annual banquet for their ongoing dedication and commitment to our shul for the past decade. WSAT has thrived and blossomed under their leadership since the summer of 2011. The Walters' personal warmth, care, and concern for the Shul's membership help nurture and sustain our community on a daily basis. Their dynamic and indomitable spirits extend beyond our shul and touch the entire Greater Washington Jewish Community.



As a Torah scholar and Rabbinic authority, Rabbi Walter is readily available to answer the gamut of halachic questions and to offer guidance to many who seek his counsel. The approachability, kindness, sensitivity, and understanding he exudes helps congregants feel comfortable reaching out to him no matter the issue, topic, time of day, or day of the week.

In addition to the many weekly shiurim Rabbi Walter gives within Woodside, he has been disseminating Torah online since the onset of the COVID pandemic and now reaches a wider audience of listeners and viewers who appreciate his dynamic and informative shiurim. Rabbi Walter is the author of three books of Jewish Law -- The Making of a Halachic Decision, The Making of a Minhag, and, most recently, The Making of a Mentsch -- and has authored articles published in the Journal of Halacha and Contemporary Society, Dialogue, and Hakira. He is also the founder and editor of the Bulletin of the Vaad HaRabbanim of Greater Washington.

Rabbi Walter is deeply involved in the Greater Washington Jewish Community, serving as the executive director of the Rabbinical Council of Greater Washington, as a Rabbinic advisor to several Jewish organizations, and as a member of the Yeshiva of Greater Washington's Kollel Zichron Amram. Additionally, Rabbi Walter serves as the Mara D'asra of Oorah's 'one-of-a-kind' summer camp, The Zone, devoted to Jewish outreach and Jewish education.

As Rebbetzin of Woodside Synagogue, Mrs. Walter has developed deep and meaningful relationships with Shul members who look to her for friendship, guidance, and chizuk. Her thoughtfulness, sensitivity, availability, and giving nature has uplifted and touched many lives. When it is not a global pandemic, she especially enjoys opening her home for events, programs, and hosting guests for Shabbos and Yom Tov meals. Mrs. Walter's love, personal concern, and interest in helping one and all has added so much to our Shul and the Greater Washington Jewish Community.

In addition to devoting her care and energy to the Woodside community as Rebbetzin, Mrs. Walter is a licensed clinical social worker with more than 18 years of experience in Israel and the United States. In her private practice, Mrs. Walter uses her specialization in Cognitive Behavioral Therapy to individualize her approach to the needs of each client. Her professional specialties include the treatment of depression, anxiety, trauma, and postpartum mood disorders. Devora is often called upon by local organizations to speak to and educate others in her areas of expertise.

While skillfully managing all of their communal and professional responsibilities with diligence and care, Rabbi and Mrs. Walter are the proud parents of Yisroel Yaakov, Tehila, Azriel Shlomo, Tova Bracha, Rivka, Leba, Eliyahu, and Yosef Meir who enjoy being an integral part of everything their parents do.

Woodside Synagogue Ahavas Torah is privileged to express appreciation and pay tribute to Rabbi Moshe and Rebbetzin Devora Walter for a decade of steadfast and unwavering devotion to the spiritual, intellectual, and emotional well-being of our Shul community.