



For Temple Isaiah members who desire to be part of a more intimate community within the Temple Isaiah community we invite you to join in a new

TEMPLE ISAIAH CHAVURAH

- *Temple Isaiah is proud of the size and continued growth of our congregation and all of the wonderful things that a large membership offers us.*
- *At the same time we recognize that at times, it is easy for people to feel lost in a large congregation.*
- *Therefore, we are embarking on a campaign to reinvigorate the Chavurah experience at Temple Isaiah, by creating a new cadre of Chavurot.*

WHAT IS A CHAVURAH?

A small group of like-minded Temple members who join together to create deeper community connections by reinforcing the spirit of Judaism by sharing and celebrating Jewish life together.

A way for members, both newcomers and those of long standing, to be part of a more intimate religious community within the larger Temple family.

If you are interested in participating in a Chavurah with people of similar interests and backgrounds, to informally meet together, share and learn, we encourage you to complete the Chavurah application below.

CHAVURAH APPLICATION

Please return this completed application to **Rabbi Dara Frimmer** at the Temple Office by **December 1, 2008**. Questions? Call Rabbi Frimmer at (310) 277-2772.

Once we receive your completed Chavurah application, we will try to match you with other Temple Isaiah members with similar interests, backgrounds and requests. You will be contacted by **January 15, 2009** in regard to your Chavurah placement and will be invited to a launch of your Chavurah. *Please note that it may not be possible to place you in a Chavurah that matches all of your desired criteria.*

1. BACKGROUND INFORMATION

Name: _____

Address: _____

City/State/Zip: _____

Phone: Day: _____ Evening: _____ Best time to call: _____

Email address: _____ Gender: _____ Age: _____

Your occupation: _____ Isaiah member since: _____

Please indicate whether you are: with spouse/domestic partner single

Do you have children?: Yes No Ages of your children: _____

Would you prefer to join a Chavurah:

with my spouse/domestic partner? as a single adult? including child(ren)?

2. YOUR CHAVURAH INTERESTS AND EXPERIENCE

- Why would you like to join a Chavurah? What benefits would you like to receive from joining a Chavurah?

- What types of activities would you like your Chavurah to participate in? Check as many as apply:
 - Shabbat celebrations Jewish holidays Other Jewish activities
 - Social Educational Cultural
 - Child-oriented Couple-oriented Singles
 - Other _____

- Temple Isaiah hopes to create Chavurot with the following demographic and interest-based focus. Please rank the Chavurot that you would be interested in joining (1 = top priority).
 - Young Couples/Newly Married New and Expecting Parents Empty Nesters
 - Interfaith Couples LGBT Social Action
 - Neighborhood Networks (e.g. Families in Culver City) Outdoor Activities Music
 - Cooking / Baking Other _____

- Would you like to host the first gathering of your Chavurah?

3. TELL US A LITTLE MORE ABOUT YOURSELF

- Do you have any specific skills, hobbies or interests that might be helpful in a Chavurah (for example: leading study sessions, organizational abilities, singing or playing an instrument)?

- Please describe your involvement in Temple Isaiah volunteer activities and committees, if any.

- What else would you like us to know about you and consider when placing you in a Chavurah?