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Dear Members and Friends,

Our congregation continues to grow and thrive. This past year we had four weddings in our congregation, three of which were hosted in our Shul!

Rabbi Dovid Tzvi Meissner, who has been leading our early Shabbos minyan, was promoted to Assistant Rabbi last year. He has been a great asset to our congregation and we look forward to increased involvement in this coming year.

Last summer our Congregational Grant request was approved by the Jewish Foundation of Cincinnati. These funds will help fuel further growth over the next three years.

Two areas we are currently focusing on are upgrading our facility and developing a topnotch youth program. A number of significant facility upgrades have already been accomplished and there are many more in store. Rabbi Tzvi Shapiro was hired to spearhead our youth program as our new Youth Director. As the year unfolds, Rabbi Shapiro will be working with the congregation to craft the best possible youth program for our congregation.

With all the recent changes taking place we want to make sure we are still meeting everyone's needs. We would also like to know the thoughts and feelings of the congregation regarding our renovation process. Please take a moment to fill out a short form using the link below to share your feedback:

## https://forms.gle/QDu7P89pzafz2dEJ8

Increased activities and growth, along with rising costs of food, supplies, and services, require us to increase our spending budget for the coming year. The support we receive through membership dues is critical to our continued growth and success.

Full membership amounts are \$1,200 for a family and \$600 for an individual. You can now upgrade to elite membership for \$1,800. For more information or to submit your dues online, please visit our website, <u>golfmanorsynagogue.org/membership.html</u>. Dues may also be paid by check to Golf Manor Synagogue or by Zelle to <u>golfmanorsynagogue@gmail.com</u>. In addition, dues can be paid via stock donations. Contact the Shul office for instructions.

We do not want cost to be a hinderance to those who would like to become members but cannot afford it. If you would like to discuss special accommodations, please contact the Chairman of the Board, the Treasurer, or Rabbi Alt for a confidential conversation.

We wish you a safe, healthy, and sweet year. May you and your loved ones enjoy all of Hashem's blessings this year.

Sincerely, Golf Manor Synagogue

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