

To the Wonderful Temple Akiba Community,

It is with both joy and sadness that I share some bittersweet news with everyone. This year brings a lot of new and exciting changes for me and my family. I am due with our baby boy at the beginning of April. As well, after 6 years of school, my husband, Eric Rosenstein, is finishing Rabbinical School this year and will be getting ordained in May. We are extremely excited to announce that he has been offered and accepted a job as the Assistant Rabbi of Temple Judea in Tarzana starting this July. While we are overjoyed that we get to stay in Los Angeles, we will be moving to the valley this summer. This unfortunately, means that after I have the baby in April, I will not be returning to Temple Akiba. My plan is to take an extended maternity leave next year while I settle our family into our new home and community.

While I am really looking forward to this new adventure, it will be so hard to say goodbye to my Temple Akiba family. I am so appreciative of the friendships and support that everyone has offered me during my time here. I love everything about Temple Akiba and it will be so hard to leave. Over the past 10 years, from my time at Day Camp, to teaching Religious School, to my role as Assistant Director of the Religious School and Early Childhood Center, I have made lasting friendships and grown so much professionally. I want to give a huge thank you to all of the Temple Akiba staff and especially Randee Bishoff for believing in me, guiding me, and nurturing me during my time here. While I am saying goodbye to my official position at Temple Akiba, I will always feel a strong connection to this community and it will always feel like home. Please feel free to stop by and say goodbye before the baby comes!

Shalom and L'hitraot,

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