



ANSHE EMET MEN'S CLUB

Yom HaShoah-Yellow Candles Memorial

Dear Members and Friends,

These continue to be difficult times filled with an alarmingly growing number of incidents of hatred, bigotry and anti-Semitism. It is hard to imagine that 75 years after the Holocaust the Jewish community still needs to confront such issues, especially in the United States. Whether it is tragedy in Pittsburgh, Poway, Paris, or anywhere else, we have a meaningful opportunity to reunite and rededicate ourselves to the history and lessons of the Holocaust as we approach Yom HaShoah. This is the opportunity every year to honor the memory of our Six Million brothers and sisters who were murdered during the dark years of the Shoah.

Each year at this time your **ANSHE EMET MEN'S CLUB** and all other Men's Clubs of the **Federation of Jewish Men's Clubs** around the world participate in our **Yom HaShoah Yellow Candles Project**. The goal of this project is to have a Yellow Candle in every Jewish home so there are at least six million Yellow Yahrzeit Candles burning brightly together on the same night. Thus, at least once a year a "**Pintele Yid**," the small spark of every Jewish victim and of those Jews available to remember them, is reignited. Unfortunately, this year we are not able to distribute Yellow Candles directly to our Jewish community due to the terrible pandemic.

We encourage you instead to **purchase a Yellow Candle** by using the following link:

<https://www.fjmc.org/yc-israel>

Each candle purchased will be lit by FJMC in Israel in memory of those who perished in the Shoah. This will allow us to continue our annual tradition, and we hope that you will take this opportunity to discuss the Holocaust and anti-Semitism with your families in your homes on **Yom HaShoah on the evening of April 20**. Remember with your children the 1.5 million children who were among those killed by the Nazis and their collaborators. We have enclosed a special prayer below to assist you as well as a list of 500 child victims at the following link:

[ChildVictimsList](#)

Please select one name of a child on this list to mention while reciting the suggested prayer.

We also hope that you will join us online on the evening of **April 20 at 6:30 PM** for our annual **ANSHE EMET Yom HaShoah service and program**. The following link will provide you with program details: <https://www.ansheemet.org/events/aesyomhashoah/>

"Am Yisrael Chai." The people of Israel live! Thank you for your support.

Sincerely,

Alan Mintz,
President

Barry M. Balik,
Yellow Candles Chairman



Meditation

Donate for your Yom HaShoah Yellow Candle in Israel on or before the evening of *April 20, 2020*, and recite the following:

As I provide for someone to light a Yellow Candle, I vow never to forget the lives of the Jewish men, women, and children who were martyred and are symbolized by this flame. They were tortured and brutalized by human beings who acted like beasts. Their lives were taken in cruelty. May we be inspired to learn more about our six million brothers and sisters as individuals and as communities, to recall their memory throughout the year so that they will not suffer a double death. May we recall not only the terror of their deaths, but also the splendor of their lives. May the memory of their lives inspire us to hallow our own lives and to live meaningful Jewish lives so that we may help to ensure that part of who they were shall endure always.

By Rabbi Jules Harlow

May their memory be a blessing for us all.

And in special memory of the child victims I mention the name of _____ ...

You may light a virtual candle and learn more about Yellow Candles at:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=GU8eSE2eN28&feature=youtu.be> and

<https://www.fjmc.org/our-stories##tikkun>