## **Jewish Learning: Jewish Living**

## A multi-denominational course, ideal for those exploring the possibility of conversion to Judaism.

While each person's journey towards Judaism is organic and individual, this course is an introduction to the central Jewish ideas and practices, texts and experiences that will form the foundation of a Jewish life. This course provides the basic tools for those who come to choose Judaism to make an informed, healthy, and whole commitment to Jewish life and the Jewish people.

The partners of conversion candidates are expected to participate fully in the course. Please note – taking the class does not guarantee conversion.

**Orientation:** Thursday January 30<sup>th</sup>, 2014. 7pm at Congregation Habonim.

**Start date:** Thursday February 6<sup>th</sup>, 2014

**Frequency:** Bi-weekly, Thursday evenings, 7-9pm; February 2014 through January 2015.

**Cost:** \$2,000 (same fee for an individual or a couple). Financial assistance may be available to qualified applicants upon request. Please make checks payable to - Beth Torah Congregation, indicating on the memo line "Conversion". The fee does not include cost of books or materials. If this course leads to conversion, there is an addition fee of \$200 for the mikvah.

**Instructors:** Congregation Habonim: Eli Rubenstein – Director of Education

Congregation Beth Torah: Rabbi Yossi Sapirman - Administrator, Educator

Danforth Jewish Circle: Rabbi Miriam Margles - Registrar, Educator

Beth Tikvah Congregation: Rabbi Jarrod Grover - Educator Beit Rayim Synagogue: Rabbi Chezi Zionce - Educator

Rabbi Lori Cohen - Educator Rabbi Benji Hecht - Educator

**Locations:** Congregation Habonim

5 Glen Park Avenue Toronto, ON M6B 4J2

Beth Torah Congregation 47 Glenbrook Avenue Toronto, ON M6B 2L7

**Certificates:** Conversions may be performed before the course is completed, but the certificate

will not be issued until completion.

## Jewish Learning: Jewish Living - Registration Form

Name
Address
Phone numberHome:Cell:
Email address
Occupation
Are you currently with a partner?
Is your partner Jewish?
Do you have children?
What prompts you to take this course? Are you interested in conversion?
Are you currently part of a Jewish community? Which one?
Are you currently part of another religious community? Which one(s)?
How would you describe your current level of Jewish education?
How would you describe your current Jewish practice?
Have you previously consulted another rabbi regarding conversion? Please tell us about your decision not to continue with that rabbi.
Thank you.

After you are accepted to the course, you will be asked to submit a biography detailing your personal history, including family life and history, religious affiliation and practice, the compelling reasons for your choices. **Please bring this to the first class on Feb. 6**<sup>th</sup>.