



RAVE REVIEWS

”Participating in the 2018 Israel Mission with Federation was a great experience for so many reasons. **It gave members of my community, across generations, a chance to bond with each other, the Greater MetroWest community, and with the Land of Israel.** There are still moments, even three years later, where congregants will share memories or moments from our week together in Israel. For me personally, the trip was a special chance to bond with several congregants in a unique setting. From time spent processing on the bus, participating in service projects, singing with Koolulam, and even an impromptu late-night walk to the Kotel, **the opportunity to share those experiences with members of my community was something I couldn't miss.** The trip helped us create so many moments that continue to bring us together even now.”

-Rabbi Howard Tilman, Congregation Beth Israel, Scotch Plains

”Having been to Israel dozens of times, no voyage there has had more of a meaningful impact on our community to the extent that our commUNITY Mission did. **We were proud to partner with Federation and enjoyed this once in a lifetime experience.** Between **the camaraderie, the quality time we got to enjoy with fellow Greater MetroWesters, and the unbelievable feeling of unity** that was ever so palpable, it is a no-brainer that the moment details are out for the next Federation Israel Mission, we will be the first to sign up.”

-Rabbi Mendel Solomon, Director and Spiritual Leader, Chabad at Short Hills

”**Being part of a Federation Mission to Israel with my synagogue was eye opening and inspirational in so many ways.** I experienced an extraordinary sense of community to be in Israel surrounded by so many fellow Greater MetroWest friends and, specifically, to be there with Congregation B’nai Jeshurun and Rabbi Matthew Gewirtz, and Rabbi Karen Perolman. **It was a powerful message to see the commitment and engagement of our synagogue and local community in our Homeland.**”

-Michelle Cohen, Short Hills