

Tri Center Project, July 2008 Evaluation Session- Teens

Adi, New York- I remember Friday night services at Lamroth Hakol, Buenos Aires, we felt how close knit the community was, and this was lively. We are all Jewish teens and we have much in common.

Jessica, New York- We felt the importance of community, not necessarily religion. There was a sense of an expansion of Judaism. I have a home now, I feel a member of the Jewish community.

Andres, Buenos Aires- I received a window into different ways of building a Jewish community. I only knew how Buenos Aires was functioning. I then learned about New York and now about Jerusalem. It was also important to get to know teens my age. How similar we are but also different- we go to college next year and the Israelis go to the army.

Gaby, Jerusalem- The project helped advance the youth program in the community center. We began a good tradition. We also learned about different options of Jewish life. I think it actually strengthened my personal opinions.

Marina, Buenos Aires- Now we have another task- to strengthen Jewish identity in our own JCCs.

Fredrick, Buenos Aires- We must continue the relationships, hold reunions, talk on the net, hold conference.

Ofer, Jerusalem- We have to meet again, maybe after the he army.

Eran, Jerusalem- this was process. Getting to know each other, getting to know the culture, finding similar objective- we have to become leaders in our community we are a solid group, we had lots of fun but we have serious commitment.

Rebecca, Jerusalem- the program helped burst a few bubbles of ignorance. it gave us a glimpse of how Jews live in other countries.

Mike, Buenos Aires - We are going to lead our community and we hope new people will join the project.

Gaby K, Youth Director, Buenos Aires. - It is amazing and moving to see the process the teen went through. How they started and what they achieved They are so much more responsible and mature.

Kelly Vest, Youth Director, Suffolk Y JCC, New York, It is important to think what are you going to do to stay friends for a long time; I'm sure I will stay in contact with my peers.