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Dear Friends,

This year has been filled with a mix of real blessings along with some serious challenges to our people. This has been a very tenuous year as anti-Semitism is on the rise in Europe and Israel endured Operation Protective Edge in Gaza. In addition, political unrest and instability in Ukraine continues to alarm minority groups.

Despite all of these challenges, Masorti Olami tirelessly continues to champion intellectual curiosity, promote egalitarianism worldwide, and achieve astounding results!

We grew six new communities in Argentina, Brazil, France, and the United Kingdom.

Our NOAM Olami network has grown this year with three new chapters. This summer 70 participants from AmLat gathered in Argentina for the first NOAM ideology conference to learn about Masorti Judaism and Jewish identity. In October, worldwide leaders from Noam gathered in London to focus on leadership development.

MAROM Olami brought 70 young adults on year-long Israel programs and engaged worldwide youth leadership in Jewish and Zionist identity training exercises.

In April, emerging leaders from Conservative/Masorti long-term Israel programs participated in a joint Shabbaton at Mitzpe Ramon to grapple with the current state of Conservative/Masorti Judaism and their hope for its future.

The upcoming World Zionist Organization elections, next year, present a critical challenge and historic opportunity. A strong registration and voter turnout directly translates into financial resources for our movement and political influence in the Jewish Agency to effectively advocate for policy change. We call upon everyone to vote Mercaz in the WZO elections to ensure the vibrancy of the Masorti worldwide movement.

Thank you for all your steadfast loyalty and generosity.

B’Shalom

Gillian Caplin  
President Masorti Olami

Rabbi Tzvi Graetz  
Executive Director
FEBRUARY

Arkava Chile participants visit Los Angeles, CA and Israel.

Tu B’Shvat with Rabbi Marcelo Polakoff in Cordoba, Argentina.

Tu B’Shvat in Berlin.

Masorti Olami Leadership Shabbaton in Israel.

Rabbi Tzvi Graetz presenting a Megillat Esther to Rabbi Reuven and Lena Stamov. The Megillah arrived safely in Kiev ready to be used on Purim!

MARCH

Purim in Dor Vador, Paris, France.

Purim in NCI, Uruguay.

Purim in Chile.

Purim at Kehilat Nitzan in Melbourne, Australia.

Purim in the Masoret Kiev community, Ukraine.
APRIL

Passover in the Masoret Kiev community, Ukraine.

The communal Seder of the Marom-Masorti community in Moscow.

Opening the Nofim leadership course in Chile.

Israeli hikers find warm Passover hospitality with Rabbi Guido Cohen in Bogota, Colombia.

Sixty two chanichim from South America on Shnat Year Program in Israel.

MAY

Pope Francis and Masorti Rabbi Avraham Skorka visit Israel.

Noam Argentina held the second Yom Tnuah. The fifth and sixth graders from local Jewish schools represented eight communities.

Shnat NOAM from Argentina, Brazil and Chile, Nativ from the US and Canada and NOAM Israel from Keturah and Ashkelon at a Shabbaton in Mizpe Ramon.

Lech Lecha program in Argentina with Rabbi Gustavo Surazski.

Masorti leadership meeting in Argentina.

Darkei Noam Chile’s first ever training program for young leaders in Santiago de Chile.
JUNE

Ukraine family camp.

JEWISH NGO meeting at Touro College, NY with our NGO’s representative Gloria Landy.

JULY

The first Ideology Conference for NOAM AmLat took place in Argentina.

New FEDECC executive director - Alejandra Tolcachier, Argentina.

A prayer vigil in Chile for the three kidnapped boys.

Rabbi Tzvi Graetz presented Rachel Fraenkel with a booklet of condolence letters from Masorti congregations from around the world.
AUGUST

Masorti Olami President, Gillian Caplin, was fortunate to be able to visit Chile and Brazil.

SEPTEMBER

Le’chaim and Chag Sameach from the Masorti movement at the Seminario Rabinico Latinoamericano Marshall T. Meyer.

Masorti Olami, Masorti Israel, and the United Synagogue Board Mission were privileged to be invited to the home of Reuven Rivlin, Israel’s new president, to represent the Conservative/Masorti movement. Rabbi Tzvi Graetz blew the shofar during this historic meeting.

Joint b’nai mitzvah with Rabbi Carlos Tapiero in Alicante, Spain.
OCTOBER

NOFIM celebrating Sukkot in Chile.

Sukkot with NOAM Argentina directors at Or Jadash.

Sukkot at the Masoret Kiev community.

Sukkot at the Shalom community in Sao Paulo, Brazil.

NOVEMBER

NOAM Olami meeting in London.

Rabbi Mauricio Balter addresses the Lech Lecha program in Chile.

Sukkot with NOAM Argentina directors at Or Jadash.

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