

# THE WISE

ISSUE 7 | SUMMER 2023



# Guide



Let's Do  
Something  
Awesome  
**Together!**

**SEE INSIDE  
FOR NEW  
PROGRAMS:**

**Yachad Small Groups  
& Adult Engagement**

## YOUR GUIDE

**TO UPCOMING WISE TEMPLE  
EVENTS, SERVICES & PROGRAMS**





# Come Together

this summer with your temple *Family*



## JULY

- 6 GOOD DEEDS**  
Our Daily Bread Takeaway Bags for the Homeless | 9:00 AM–11:00 AM
- 9 YOFI**  
Summer Jewish Music Class | 10:00 AM–10:30 AM  
Summit Park Community Room  
4335 Glendale Milford Road, Blue Ash
- 9–16 GOOD DEEDS**  
Found House Interfaith Housing Network (IHN)
- 9 FAMILY ENGAGEMENT**  
Art in the Park | 4:00 PM–6:00 PM  
Weller Park | 10021 Weller Rd, Montgomery
- 11 EITZ CHAYIM**  
Tuesdays with Torah: What's the Torah Got Cooking? with Rabbi Goodman | 12:00 PM–1:00 PM
- 13 GOOD DEEDS**  
Our Daily Bread Takeaway Bags for the Homeless  
9:00 AM–11:00 AM
- 16 YOFI**  
Summer Jewish Music Class | 10:00 AM–10:30 AM  
Summit Park Community Room  
4335 Glendale Milford Road, Blue Ash
- 16 NEXTGEN**  
Young Adult Pool Party | 6:00 PM–9:00 PM  
JCC | 8485 Ridge Ave, Amberley Village
- 18 EITZ CHAYIM**  
Tuesdays with Torah: What's the Torah Got Cooking? with Rabbi Goodman | 12:00 PM–1:00 PM
- 23 YOFI**  
Summer Jewish Music Class | 10:00 AM–10:30 AM  
Summit Park Community Room  
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- 23 FAMILY ENGAGEMENT**  
Family Rafting Trip @ Morgan's Canoe  
10:30 AM–1:30 PM  
Morgan's Ft. Ancient Livery | 5701 OH-350, Oregonia
- 25 EITZ CHAYIM**  
Tuesdays with Torah: What's the Torah Got Cooking? with Rabbi Goodman 12:00 PM–1:00 PM
- 28 GOOD DEEDS**  
Back-to-School Collection Bin:  
Crayons to Computers  
July 28–August 11 | 8:00 AM–5:00 PM



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## YOFI

Summer Jewish Music Class | 10:00 AM–10:30 AM  
Summit Park Community Room  
4335 Glendale Milford Road, Blue Ash



## AUGUST

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### EITZ CHAYIM

Tuesdays with Torah: Jews and Statues with Rabbini Fellow Aaron Torop | 12:00 PM–1:00 PM

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## YOFI

Downtown Young Family Playdate at Play Library  
9:00 AM–11:00 AM | 1306 Main Street, Cincinnati

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### GOOD DEEDS

Shelterhouse Soup Kitchen | 10:15 AM–11:30 AM  
411 Gest Street, Cincinnati

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### EITZ CHAYIM

Tuesdays with Torah: Jews and Statues with Rabbini Fellow Aaron Torop | 12:00 PM–1:00 PM

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### GOOD DEEDS

Volunteer at Crayons to Computers  
1:00 PM–3:30 PM | 1350 Tennessee Avenue, Bond Hill

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### KEHILLAH PARENT SOCIAL

6:00 PM–8:00 PM | Hops & Berry  
118 Karl Brown Way, Loveland, OH

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### EITZ CHAYIM

Tuesdays with Torah: Jewish Vows in Jewish Texts with Director of Lifelong Learning Matthew Check  
12:00 PM–1:00 PM

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### NEXTGEN

Summer Camp for YPs  
Camp Livingston | 4998 Nell Lee Road, Bennington, IN

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## YOFI

Shababa Reunion | 9:30 AM–10:30 AM

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### FAMILY ENGAGEMENT

Family Camp Experience 10:00 AM–4:00 PM  
Camp Joy | 10117 Old 3-C Highway, Clarksville

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### ADULT ENGAGEMENT

Saturday Night Fútbol | 5:30 PM–9:30 PM  
TQL Stadium (Over-The-Rhine)

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### ALL ADULTS

Yoga in the Park | 10:30 AM–11:30 AM  
Sharon Woods: Red Tail Shelter  
11450 Lebanon Road, Sharonville



Dr. Ron Wolfson, Jewish educator and author, states, "I have come to an understanding about the essence of Judaism, and, by extension, the essential challenge and opportunity of engaging our people: it's all about relationships."

Among the many challenges we all faced throughout the recent pandemic was maintaining and building new relationships. While many have returned to in-person activities, the difficulty of connecting with one another and the loneliness of that time lives not far beneath the surface. With this backdrop, and based on some of the desires and experiences we have seen from members of Wise Temple interacting with one another over the past two years, we are excited to introduce a new program to the community and we want YOU to be a part of it!

Introducing Yachad, which translates to "together." This new program will bring together small groups of approximately 5-18 people who will meet regularly based on an area of shared interest. Yachad groups will be facilitated entirely by Wise Temple congregants, offering you the opportunity to deepen your relationships with a diverse group of congregants who are gathering because they share an affinity for a particular activity or hobby (which may or may not be related to Jewish life),

rather than based on age, location, or other demographic.

For example, one Yachad group might consist of those who love exploring museum special exhibits. In this case, the group leader might facilitate a visit to a local museum once a month over the next six months, allowing for a) the group to remain intact for an extended period of time to allow those engaged to develop stronger relationships; and b) a clear end date, at which time the effectiveness of this particular group can be evaluated, and participants can decide whether or not they want to participate again in the future, or consider other Yachad groups. Examples of other Yachad group subjects may be local brewery exploration, book groups, mah jongg, theater performances, sports attendance, knitting, card games, grilling, and so much more. The potential topics are endless!

Ultimately, we are likely to make time for activities that fill us with joy. We hope this new model offers opportunities for joyful exploration, while inviting you to deepen your relationships with others who share your interests and engage further in the Wise Temple community.

Please look out for additional details as we aim to unveil and invite participation in our first cohort of Yachad groups in the late summer. And feel free to contact Jeff Stern with your questions and ideas at: [jstern@wisetemple.org](mailto:jstern@wisetemple.org)

Visit [wisetemple.org](http://wisetemple.org) for more information and to register for events. All events at Wise Center unless noted.

Photo of Wise Center on front cover by J. Miles Wolf



## July & August

### SERVICE SCHEDULE

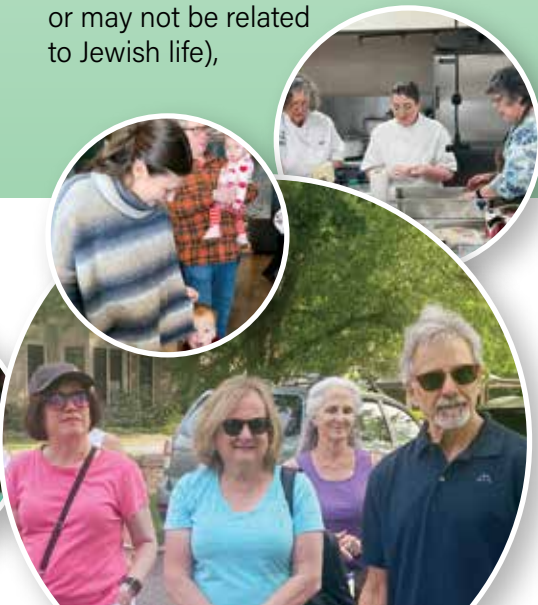
Shabbat Evening Services at Wise Center, Fridays, 6:15 PM.  
Shabbat Morning Services and Torah Study at Wise Center, Saturdays, 10:15 AM.

### JULY

- 1 Shabbat Morning Service and Torah Study
- 7 Shabbat Evening Service
- 8 Shabbat Morning Service and Torah Study
- 14 Shabbat Evening Service
- 15 Shabbat Morning Service and Torah Study
- 21 Shabbat Evening Service
- 22 Shabbat Morning Service and Torah Study
- 28 Shabbat Evening Service (*Birthday & Anniversary Blessings*)
- 29 Shabbat Morning Service and Torah Study

### AUGUST

- 4 Shabbat Evening Service
- 5 Shabbat Morning Service and Torah Study
- 11 Shabbat Evening Service
- 12 Shabbat Morning Service and Torah Study
- 18 Shabbat Evening Service
- 19 Shabbat Morning Service and Torah Study
- 25 Shabbat Evening Service (*Birthday & Anniversary Blessings*)
- 26 YoFi Shababa Reunion 9:30 AM-10:30 AM | Wise Center
- 26 Shabbat Morning Service and Torah Study







# ADULT ENGAGEMENT: CONNECTING AT WISE

***"Age is just a number, not a state of mind or a reason for any type of particular behavior."***

Are you interested in a community for members approximately 45 and older that offers connection, friendship, fun, and unique opportunities to spend time TOGETHER?

Age does not necessarily define one's lifestyle, level of activity, or relationships. With this in mind, and based on the feedback of Wise Temple members, we have merged the groups previously known as "Empty Nesters" and "WiseGen" together to create "Adult Engagement." This new cohort offers opportunities

and experiences for EVERYONE. Whether you enjoy the Cincinnati food and music scenes, love exploring neighborhoods through hikes and tours, or want to visit unique venues throughout the region, we know you will have fun and enjoy meaningful opportunities to build connections and relationships with other Wise Temple members in similar life stages.

***Visit [AdultEngagementatWiseTemple.org](http://AdultEngagementatWiseTemple.org) for more information and upcoming events.***

**"I challenge each of us to invite someone to Adult Engagement events. If you're waiting to be invited, turn the tables—make the first move. You'll be amazed at the impact your invitation has on others, on you, and on the community as a whole!"** – JON CHAIKEN

