



# Advocacy Update

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Dear WRJ Women,

***We love books***... After all, we are the “People of the Book.” As Jewish women, we rely on books for advice, enjoyment, and fulfillment. Elie Wiesel has famously stated, “I do not recall a Jewish home without a book on the table.”

As part of WRJ’s Centennial celebration, we are inviting Jewish women to submit writings for publication in our Centennial Covenant book, which will premiere at the Fried Leadership Conference in January 2013. We hope the pieces in this new Covenant book will spiritually uplift readers and speak to their minds as well as their hearts. Think of the kavod you will feel knowing that someone across the world could be using your heartfelt words to comfort or inspire someone else. *Words that will live on forever.*

Participation is easy! Until May 15, 2012, the Covenant Book Committee will accept writings on the following themes: prayer, spirituality, celebrations, friendship, sisterhood experiences, relationships, beginnings, transitions, healing, and legacies. Poems, prayers, meditations, and other types of writings will be considered for inclusion.

### **Eligibility to Submit**

Submissions will be accepted from sisterhood women and female clergy, educators, HUC-JIR students, scholars, and NFTY members.

### **Process for Submissions**

Pieces must be submitted in a Word format, not as a .pdf, and entries must be 250 words or less. There is no limit to the number of submissions you may send. Please include: your name; e-mail address and phone number; sisterhood affiliation, including city and state; or movement affiliation, i.e., HUC-JIR, NATA, NATE, or NFTY; and the theme under which you think your piece might be included. The final decision on theme inclusion will remain with the committee.

### **Review Process**

The Covenant Book Committee will review all submissions without identifying the writer. You will be notified after August 1, 2012, if your writing has been chosen for publication. Unfortunately, not all writings will be accepted, but we hope to feature as many original thoughts as we are able to celebrate our women’s lives and dreams.

***Start now*** and send us your writings. Please also spread the word about our Centennial Covenant book to others who are eligible to submit.

This Centennial Covenant book will be a fabulous volume to keep, use, and proudly display.

Cordially,

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