



DISTANCE WORKSHOP
Planting Your Sisterhood's Vineyard
A year of innovative programming
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WOMEN'S LEAGUE BOOK INITIATIVES

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There are four books initiatives on www.wlcj.org.

1. Go to Member Services and click on Services to Members.
2. You will find these initiatives under Love to Read.
 - Women's League Reads (new in 2015)
 - Orpah's Books and Study Guides from previous years
 - Program Suggestion-Select a book and study guide for a sisterhood meeting or book club
 - I strongly recommend last year's Orpah's selection for fiction: *A Guide for the Perplexed*, by Dara Horn.
 - Ideas for a Book Club or Book Review
 - BookMarks (2009 to current)
 - Book Corner-current books with brief synopsis.

All of these will work beautifully for Rosh Hodesh programs, sisterhood programs, and book groups, and will fit in with this year's theme.

Women's League Reads Looks for the icon on the WLCJ website.

- Newest Initiative
- On-line book discussion and live author chat
- Available 24/6; great for women who are homebound.

- Join by emailing Lsilverman@wlcj.org
- Books we have discussed
 - *An American Bride in Kabul* by Phyllis Chesler
 - *The Luminous Heart of Jonah S.* by Gina Nahai

BookMarks

- Summer/Fall issue released in July
- Memoirs
- Why Memoirs
 - Program Suggestion-Writing a personal memoir—This fits in with the theme of planting a vineyard. More about this later.
- Featured Book: *Through the Door of Life: A Jewish Journey Between Genders* by Joy Ladin, includes review of book and interview with author
 - This will be our next WL Reads selection.
- Reading list of memoirs with brief synopsis
- Memoir in Poetry
 - Select a poem to discuss for a Divrei Hokhmah at beginning of a meeting
- Gluckel of Hameln
 - Discuss the quote on Gluckel's motivation for writing as a Divrei Hokhmah

Any of these can be used in place of a D'Var Torah at the beginning of a meeting or part of a Region's Education Day.