



Sundays

# Sichot beyn Achayot: An Open Dialogue Between Diaspora and Israeli SISTERS

10.17.21

11.14.21

12.12.21

@ 1:00pm-

2:30pm ET

Thanks to a generous Grant from **KKL-JNF / Masorti Olami / Mercaz Olami**, Women's League is grateful to provide a series of **3 Workshops of Conversations Between Sisters**.

Registrations through Wizevents will be required to join each/all sessions.

**שיחות בין אחיות**, Sichot beyn Achayot means "conversations between sisters". This program is designed to foster a deeper mutual understanding between the members of WLCJ in North America and the Masorti Olami women of Israel. It is designed to address the question, "How are we the same, and how are we different?"

Each of the **3 sessions** will address this question by concentrating on one specific issue that is both relevant and timely to us all, and will include presentations from speakers from each side of the Atlantic. The October and November workshops will each be followed by a Q&A session in which all attendees will be encouraged to participate. The third workshop in December will conclude with breakout rooms in which participants will have an opportunity to join the conversation.

**Sunday, 10.17.21 at 1:00pm ET**

**Workshop 1: Conservative/Masorti Conversion**

[www.wizevents.com/register/7900](http://www.wizevents.com/register/7900)

**Rabbi Diana Villa**, Schechter Institute and Rabbinical School, Jerusalem  
**Rabbi Elana Zelony**, Congregation Beth Torah, Richardson, Texas

Two rabbis will explore issues of Conservative/Masorti conversions: Is the experience different for rabbis in Israel vs. North America? How are conversions from our movement accepted in Israel? And what are the ramifications for their children/grandchildren with respect to marriage and Aliyah?

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**Workshop 2: Davening as Conservative/Masorti Women**

[www.wizevents.com/register/7901](http://www.wizevents.com/register/7901)

**Rakefet Ginsberg**, Executive Director, Masorti Movement in Israel  
**Rabbi Debra Cantor**, Congregation B'Nai Tikvoh, Bloomfield, Connecticut

Two speakers will examine the question of davening as Conservative/Masorti women; they will address the experience of davening with Women of the Wall, and also davening in an egalitarian setting at Robinson's Arch.

**Sunday, 12.12.21 at 1:00pm ET**

**Workshop 3: Conversations Between Conservative and Masorti Sisters**

[www.wizevents.com/register/7902](http://www.wizevents.com/register/7902)

Three pairs of women will each explore a specific aspect of living Jewishly as a Conservative/Masorti Jew, comparing life in North America to life in Israel. Following the 3 conversations, all participants will be invited to participate in breakout rooms, where women from both sides of the Atlantic will have the opportunity to engage in conversation.

**Conversation 1: Comparing the Nativ/College Experience to the IDF/College Experience**

**Aliza Bromberg Gaber**, Graduate Student, Tufts University  
**Yaarat Dvash Yehoshua**, 2nd Year College Student, Jerusalem

**Conversation 2: Living Jewishly In a Minority vs. A Majority Population**

**Ellie Kremer**, Israel Chair and Mothers of Olim Net  
**Sophie Fellman Rafolovich**, National Chairperson Masorti Movement in Israel

**Conversation 3: Being A Lay Leader in the Conservative/Masorti Movement**

**Debbi Kaner Goldich**, WLCJ International President  
**Alexis Silverman**, IPP Kehilat Moreshet Avraham (KMA), East Talpiot