



Shalom Ramah Wisconsin Community,

As we head into what we hope will be a peaceful Shabbat, we reflect on the past week. It has been a week of shock and horror, sadness and outrage. We have come together as a camp community and a Jewish community to send our love and support across the world to our *mishpacha* (family) in Israel.

Earlier this week we sent out a link to share messages of support for our Israeli campers, staff members and alumni. See below for some of the inspiring messages we were able to share.

I hope that you are all safe and that all of your family is safe as well. I will be thinking of you and hoping and praying that you stay safe. I really hope the war ends soon so you can go back to your normal lives and not be worried about getting hurt or injured.

I love being at camp with you and appreciate you sharing Israel with us all summer. I hope to visit Israel soon and experience it for myself. I also hope you will all be able to return to camp next summer.

Please be careful and take care.
Love,
Talia Schein



I'm so sad for the pain and loss you have endured, so sorry for the world you are walking through these days. We love you, we are thinking of you, we hope you feel support from everyone in the world who can see what must be done in the face of pure evil, and we're pray for less suffering

To all Staff and Campers,

My heart aches for all of you. This hate in the world has tried again to destroy. We are your neighbors. You are part of this community in tiny Conover, Wisconsin as well as citizens of the world.

Your strength and devotion to God are apparent each day the camp is open. From the wonderful songs we hear you sing in the evening to the joyous noise of children at play. Thank you for all you give to us, and know you are in our thoughts and prayers.

Stay safe, and God bless you.

Peggy and Chris DeFranceschi



Dear staff,

Thank you for a wonderful time at camp. I'm so sorry about the stuff happening right now and I hope you and your family are okay and safe.

and pain for you and all your and our loved ones across the land. Noah Winthrop

Joel Levinson

[If you would like to submit your own message, please click here.](#) We will continue sharing these messages as we receive them.



As our thoughts and prayers remain with the people of Israel, we also recognize the importance of continuing to move forward. Particularly at this moment, summers at Ramah instill in our campers Jewish-identity and deep lifelong connections to Israel. To that end, we must continue the work of preparing for our 2024 season, while keeping our thoughts on our friends and family in Israel.



We will be reaching out in the coming weeks as we continue enrolling campers for an amazing 2024 summer. We are always available if you need support. Feel free to [schedule a time to talk](#) with any of our year-round team.

In addition, the National Ramah Commission has put together a website with news and resources to help keep the larger Ramah community informed and supported. Click the button below to access these resources and to register for the Ramah Mispacha Solidarity Gathering on Sunday.

Ramah Stands with Israel

מנוח רמה
Ramah
 Camping Movement
 משפחת רמה
RAMAH MISPACHA
SOLIDARITY
GATHERING
FOR ISRAEL
 SUNDAY
 OCTOBER 15, 2023
 12:00PM ET / 7:00PM IST
 ZOOM
 ZOOM REGISTRATION
 REQUIRED



We leave you with some photos taken recently at Camp Ramah in Wisconsin by alumnus Greg Shapps (Nivo 1986). We hope the beauty of our summer home - where each summer people from across the world come together to create a vibrant Jewish community, where we learn from each other and challenge ourselves, and where many of us discovered our love for the land and people of Israel - will bring you some peace this Shabbat.



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