



## Bar and Bat Mitzvah Twinning Program



The NACOEJ Bar and Bat Mitzvah Twinning Program is a way for North American Jewish teens to learn about their Ethiopian Israeli peers. By participating in the program, North American Jews give important assistance to Ethiopian students in Israel, while simultaneously learning about each other's cultures.

*To become a Twin just fill out the application and return it with your donation of \$280.00.*

You can also find more information and an application online at [www.nacoej.org](http://www.nacoej.org) or call 212-233-5200.

### WHEN YOU PARTICIPATE:

#### *You will receive:*

- A photo, brief bio, and mailing address for your twin.
- An embroidery hand-stitched by Ethiopian Jews waiting to go to Israel.
- A special Twinning Certificate sent to your Rabbi for presentation to you in honor of your twinning.

#### *Your Ethiopian Israeli twin will receive:*

- A Kiddush cup or Shabbat candle holder in honor of their Bar or Bat Mitzvah.

*Many NACOEJ Twins have been able to meet each other during trips to Israel! Please call us a month before your trip to make arrangements!*

### YOUR DONATION:

- Buys a present for your Twin.
- Is a gift to your Twin's school in Israel. These gifts will help not just your Twin but many other Ethiopian Israeli students, by paying for:
  - essential educational materials
  - school trips for Ethiopian students that they would otherwise be unable to afford.
  - a group Bar/Bat Mitzvah celebration.



### NACOEJ BAR and BAT MITZVAH IDEAS

Many of our American "Twins" decide to take on a Mitzvah Project as an element of this important milestone.

NACOEJ can help you plan a meaningful tzedakah project.

NACOEJ Bar and Bat Mitzvah Ideas also include many other ways to support NACOEJ during your Bar or Bat Mitzvah.

#### IDEAS INCLUDE:

- School Supply Drive
- School-Wide Speaker Events
- NACOEJ Thank You Cards
- Making Ethiopian decorations for your celebration
- Make your own posters



*Shabbat Lights-  
Ethiopian Embroidery*

**Do you want to do a mitzvah project to help Ethiopian Jews?**

Visit our online Mitzvah Project page for successful projects and ideas at [www.nacoej.org/mitzvahproject.html](http://www.nacoej.org/mitzvahproject.html) or email us at [mitzvah@nacoej.org](mailto:mitzvah@nacoej.org).

North American Conference on Ethiopian Jewry (NACOEJ), established in 1982, is a non-profit 501(c)(3) organization.

For more information about NACOEJ programs and other ways you can help the Ethiopian Jewish community, please visit our website at [www.nacoej.org](http://www.nacoej.org).

# NACOEJ Bar/Bat Mitzvah Twinning Application

Please return this form by fax, post, or email to:

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**Bar Mitzvah's** Last Name: \_\_\_\_\_ First Name: \_\_\_\_\_

**Bat Mitzvah's** Last Name: \_\_\_\_\_ First Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Hebrew name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Birth Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Bar/Bat Mitzvah: \_\_\_\_\_ Hebrew Date of Bar/Bat Mitzvah: \_\_\_\_\_

**Adult** Contact Person: \_\_\_\_\_ Relationship: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Fax: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Business Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

**Synagogue:** \_\_\_\_\_ Rabbi's Full Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_ Enclosed is my check for: \$280      \_\_\_\_ Please charge my gift of \$280 to \_\_\_\_ Visa \_\_\_\_ Master Card \_\_\_\_ AmEx

Name as it appears on credit card: \_\_\_\_\_

Card number: \_\_\_\_\_ Expiration Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_ I have enclosed a corporate matching gift form.

\_\_\_\_ My child is planning to send additional tzedakah after his/her Bar/Bat Mitzvah.

Along with your donation you will received a hand-made embroidery. Please visit the NACOEJ website at [www.nacoej.org](http://www.nacoej.org) and choose which design you would like to receive.

Pattern name: \_\_\_\_\_ Second choice: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_ Our family will be visiting Israel on: \_\_\_\_\_, we would like to meet our twin and visit the school\*.

*\*Please note that this can only be arranged when school is in session. One month's notice is required.*