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Paul M. Steinberg Papers**

Manuscript Collection No. 870



Collection Summary

Title	Paul M. Steinberg Papers
Dates	1940-2004 (bulk 1980-2004)
Collection Number	MS-870
Repository	The Jacob Rader Marcus Center of the American Jewish Archives
Creator	Steinberg, Paul M., 1926-2005
Extent	13 linear feet (13 record cartons)
Language of the Material	English

Administrative Information

Biographical Sketch

Paul M. Steinberg was born on the Lower East Side, in New York City in 1926. He attended the Herzliya Hebrew Teachers' Academy and then City College, where he studied education, sociology and psychology. After graduating in 1946, he worked for Americans for Haganah; a group that ran guns to Jewish forces in Palestine; at the same time he was enrolled in the rabbinical program of the Jewish Institute of Religion where he became a follower of Rabbi Stephen S. Wise.

He was ordained a rabbi in 1949, the year before the Jewish Institute of Religion merged with Hebrew Union College. He received his Doctorate in Psychological Services from Columbia University and has taught at Hebrew University, New York University, Baruch College, and the Army Management School. After serving for twenty years as spiritual leader of Temple Adas in Sag Harbor, the oldest congregation on Long Island, Dr. Steinberg was named Rabbi Emeritus. He received the honorary Doctor of Humane Letters degree from Baltimore Hebrew University.

In 1955, he became an instructor at HUC-JIR and was appointed dean of the New York campus soon after. He served as Dean of the New York School from 1960 and Vice President of the College-Institute and Dean of Faculty of the New York School from 1985-1996, and later as Special Assistant to the President. Dr. Steinberg also served as Executive Dean of the Jerusalem School from 1963-1973. Dr. Steinberg served as Vice-President of Communal Development and Chairman of Faculty. Rabbi Steinberg inaugurated the New York institution's Year-in-Israel Program for its students in 1971 and established an Israel Rabbinical Program in the 1980's to strengthen the Jerusalem branch's outreach. He also established suburban satellite schools offering certification in Jewish education and at his death was the longest-serving dean in the College-Institute.

In 2003, in recognition of his years of teaching in the important area of human relations, the Dr. Paul and Trudy Steinberg Distinguished Professorship Chair in Human Relations and Counseling was established at the College-Institute. Dr. Steinberg was a licensed psychologist in the State of New York and a member of several psychological associations.

--Adapted from "Rabbi Paul M. Steinberg, 79, dean at Jewish Institute," Obituary. The Villager, Volume 75, Number 11. August 3-9, 2005. (<http://thevillager.com/villager118/rabbipaulmsteinberg79.html>). Accessed July 30, 2012.

Scope and Content

The Paul M. Steinberg Papers consist primarily of correspondence and sermons, along with research materials for course lectures and sermons given throughout Steinberg's career. Sermons include High Holy Day sermons and life cycle events: baby naming, marriage, eulogies, etc. Also included are tape reels, videocassettes, and audiocassettes of sermons, talks, and other events.

Arrangement

This collection is arranged in one (1) series: A. General.

Terms of Access

The collection is open for use; no restrictions apply.

Preferred Citation

Footnotes and bibliographic references should refer to the Paul M. Steinberg Papers and the American Jewish Archives. A suggestion for at least the first citation is as follows:

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Index Terms

Subjects	Rabbis
Personal Names	Steinberg, Paul M., 1926-2005
Corporate Names	Central Conference of American Rabbis / Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion. New York Campus / National Association of Temple Educators / Union for Reform Judaism / World Union for Progressive Judaism
Media	Sermons

Series A. General, 1940-2004

Box and Folder Listing

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- Box 2. Folder 1-55. Correspondence and sermons, 1942-2001
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