SHALOM, SALAAM, PEACE

For the past two years Congregation Emeth has collaborated with Abrahamic Alliance International in inter-faith community service and peace-building activities in south Santa Clara County. Abrahamic Alliance International is a faith-based, non-profit organization based in San Jose that unites Jews, Christians and Muslims to collaborate in peace-building and relief of extreme poverty.

Engaging Jews, Christians and Muslims in community service projects is one of the ways the Abrahamic Alliance assists members of these faiths to come together. The Alliance also offers seminars to promote mutual respect between the three faith communities, which share a common father in Abraham and also share more common values and traditions than many people realize.

An example of this work took place on Sunday, August 18, 2013, when more than forty Jews, Christians and Muslims united at Congregation Emeth in Morgan Hill to prepare 180 nutritious meals. The group then served the meals to hungry and homeless people in Gilroy at St. Joseph's Family Center.

Supportive resources of the Abrahamic Alliance have enabled Congregation Emeth to co-lead meaningful, interfaith service events that have built bridges of understanding and friendship with local Muslims and Christians.

See www.abrahamicalliance.org for additional Abrahamic Alliance information and contacts. Go to www.emeth.net or email socialaction@www.emeth.net for additional information about Congregation Emeth's social action activities.



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