



## **BBYO ON DEMAND**

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### **Hosted virtual Shabbat/Havdalah experiences every weekend since March 20th**

- As of July 25<sup>th</sup> we have hosted 258 Shabbat or Havdalah experiences On Demand (includes regions/chapters hosting their own and larger Movement-wide programs)

### **A few key themes/moments to highlight since March:**

- **Racial and Social Justice focus**

- Weaving in themes of racial and social justice to our Shabbat Programming
- Juneteenth Shabbat- Fireside chat with former Godol Aaron Cooper on racial justice, Juneteenth, and it's connection to Judaism
- Partnered with Keshet for the National Teen Pride Havdalah
- Kabbalat Shabbat with Rabbi Sandra Lawson: 50+ teens in attendance and 30+ stayed on after for a QnA with Rabbi Sandra about racial justice issues and how we can be part of productive change
- IN PROGRESS: Love Thy Neighbor Panel (Tu B'Av) Attorney Patrick John (who is being installed tomorrow as the first Black and Christian president of the JEWISH Decalogue society), TBD- Wassi Muhamed (Former executive Director of the Islamic Center in Pittsburgh, TBD Lindsey Newman (Director of Community Engagement at Be'chol Lashon)

- **Holocaust Survivor engagement**

- April: Yom HaShoah- 5 Holocaust survivors shared their stories and were honored during Havdalah to Remember
- July Shabbat to Remember: Hosted 3 Friday night experiences, 3 Havdalah experiences, and 1 Zikaron BaSalon. Hosted 7 survivors throughout the whole weekend

- **Development of teen leadership**

- Virtual Shabbat Taskforce (part of the ILN) was created in June
- 3 coordinators who organize, mentor, and coach teens through Shabbat leadership
- 30 teens- each Shabbat weekend has a different cored of teen leaders who take ownership for that weekend, the theme, the script, and the facilitation

- **DIY Shabbat Resource**

- BRAND NEW resource database On Demand that has recordings of previous experiences, BBYO Sings instructional videos, Powerpoints with Hebrew/English/Transliteration text, Sample scripts (sorted by themes), etc. It's a live-updating resource bank and a great tool for our teens to use to create their own Shabbat/Havdalah experiences

- **International Communities:**

- BBYO Netherlands hosted their FIRST event ever as a Havdalah to Remember
- From March-June, AJT hosted candle lighting in Russian every week
- In the spring, Australia hosted Havdalah weekly and in the summer they host once a month. Havdalah was the first time Sydney and Melbourne have done a program together
- Maccabi Tzair hosted our Shabbat weekend going into Yom Ha'Zikaron and Yom Ha'atzmaut
- Newly launched, BBYO South Africa hosted their first ever program which was a Havdalah on Nelson Mandela Day