

Friday Evening Message – 3 April 2020

To Everyone in NLJC, Members, Friends, Council Members and Rabbi



Greetings and Shabbat Shalom.

First to say, in sadness our hearts go out to Annie, Jo and Adam, we mourn your loss with you and wish you long life. Your loss is our loss and is all the more difficult at this time.

Usually in a challenging time of crisis our instinct would be to find solace in physical closeness to family and friends. We would draw together, visit each other, eat and drink at the same table. Now we are distanced from each other.

To my mind the term that the government has coined - 'social distancing' – is unfortunate. A Japanese friend tells me that they are doing '**physical distancing and social solidarity**' which is more appealing and more consistent with what is actually happening in this country and in this community.

Let's continue with that and let's also remember that everything passes and this too shall pass. Hopefully next year we'll be together at the Seder table again.

Keep safe and well.

Good wishes and love to all
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P.S. This is the first of our new series of Friday night messages to the community. Others have volunteered to do the next few Fridays, but it's open to anyone in the community to offer for the future. For details, email [here](#).

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