



Rabbi Darío Feiguin

My Cosmvision

I am Human. I am Jewish. I am a Rabbi.
In that order.

I understand my Rabbinate as the intent to touch the soul of the people and try to open the door to Spirituality and Meaning through the practice of Judaism.

I conceive my Judaism as my singular way to find Spirituality, choosing to be part of a People whose History and Messianic Dreams are based on particular rites and traditions that reflect Universal values and Ideals.

I recognize in Judaism my unique way of being Human. I choose to be part of this adventure and engage in the tremendous challenge of trying to correct this world and making it a better place to live. Judaism is the human answer to this divine call.

I see Ethics as a necessary and previous condition to all religiosity. To me this is mandatory. It is impossible to access the vertical dimension without going through the horizontal one. The entire world is sacred. Creation is unfinished and imperfect. We are partners with God in this sacred task of Tikkun Olam.

I joyfully embrace the National Jewish aspects which to me include The State of Israel, The Hebrew language, the folklore and its melodies, colors and tastes in all different manifestations. These are some offerings of Judaism to a perplexed Mankind blinded by pseudo-successes, consumerism, the anarchy of the visual and power.

I enter to Spirituality from a place that is beyond the religious behaviorism of the permitted and forbidden. This is the point of union between the Human and the Divine: the point of Sensitivity, Love, and the Prophetic values of Freedom, Justice and Peace.

My Trajectory

Academic Degrees:

Rabbi: Seminario Rabínico Latinoamericano, December, 1983

M.A. in Jewish Thought Suma Cum Laude: Hebrew University of Jerusalem, June, 1983

B.A. in Jewish Thought, Education and Counseling: Hebrew University of Jerusalem, June, 1980

Pulpits and Congregations:

Congregation B'nei Israel, San Jose, Costa Rica: Rabbi, 2015

Comunidad Amijai, Buenos Aires: Founder Rabbi, 1993-2013

Comunidad Tarbut, Buenos Aires: Rabbi, 1989-1992

Comunidad Bet-El, Buenos Aires: Rabbi, 1983-1988

Rabbi in Residence:

Seminario Rabínico Latinoamericano, Buenos Aires, Iamim Noraim (2014)

Westchester Reform Temple, Scarsdale, NY, for Shabat Shira (2004-2014)

Naples, FL (2008)

Aventura, FL (2009 and 2011)

Almuñécar, Spain (2010)

Kehillat Beijing, China, Annual Service (2008, 2009, 2010, 2012 and 2013)

Fort Myers, FL (2006 and 2007)

Cipoletti, Patagonia, Argentina (1998)

Perú, Colombia, Uruguay, Tucumán, Santiago del Estero, Israel (1976-1983)

Teacher:

Invited Professor at the Seminario Rabínico Latinoamericano (1983-1987)

Participation in Seminars and workshops on Psychology, Psychiatry, Alternative Therapies, Inter-confessional forums and Education (1984-2010)

Publications:

Revista Amijai. Buenos Aires, 1993-2013

Articles in Philosophy, Religion, Education and Social Forums magazines

Music CDs:

Bein Hashmashot. Buenos Aires, 2011

Nuestro Kabbalat Shabat. Buenos Aires, 1999

Avoda Shebalev. Buenos Aires, 1993

<https://vimeo.com/dariofeiguin>

Professional skills:

Rabbi, Chazan, Musician, Spiritual Counselor, Baal Koreh, Teacher, Educator and Scholar, Tour Conductor.

Honorary Recognitions:

Doctor in Divinity. The Jewish Theological Seminary, 2011

Languages:

Spanish (mother tongue)

English (fluid)

Hebrew (fluid)

Experience:

I founded Comunidad Amijai. Buenos Aires, 1993

I proposed the name voted and approved by the founder families

Together with my wife, Yudi Feiguin, we designed the Congregational Logo

I created the Youth, Talmud Torah, Adults, Members, Weddings, Bikur Cholim, Social Action and Worship Congregational Departments

I convened, formed and capacitated the teachers and professionals in charge of each area.

I wrote the pedagogical materials of the different Departments

I created the Newsletter "Kol Amijai" and the annual magazine "Revista Amijai"

I created a personal style of musical and contemplative worship

I convened and formed the different musical bands throughout the years

I headed more than 50 summer and winter Youth Camps

I headed dozens of adult retreats

I officiated in more than 1,500 Bar and Bat-Mitzvahs in Argentina and overseas

I officiated in hundreds of weddings in Buenos Aires, other Argentinean cities and overseas

I wrote and gave more than 1.000 sermons

I accompany hundreds of families in moments of mourn, crisis, birth, Mezuzah fixing, etc.

I advised and spiritually escorted people in their process of conversion to Judaism

I co-directed dozens of ethnic, spiritual and cultural journeys through “Viajes de la Diversidad” (Diversity Journeys) as scholar and rabbi
I participated in the “Social Ecumenical Forum” and other interfaith dialog groups.
I officiated the lamim Noraim Services at the Seminario Rabínico Latinoamericano (2014).

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Doctor of Divinity, *honoris causa*

You have ignited the fire of Torah in many searching Jews, especially the young. During your illustrious career, you have given more than thousand *drashot*, directed some 50 summer and winter camps, celebrated thousands of b’nai and b’not mitzvah, and officiated at hundreds of weddings. After serving two congregations in your native Buenos Aires, you built from nothing, with your wife, Yudi, a new congregation dedicated to *tikkun ‘olam*, which is now one of the most active religious communities in South America. Begun in 1993, Comunidad Amijai consists of 300 families whom you have encouraged to participate in youth and adult groups, concerts, film series, lectures, and book presentations. You have also offered your community a variety of social assistance activities, changing lives via job training and engaging at-risk youth through art and music. You have continued to write for Comunidad Amijai’s edifying magazine, and issued three moving CDs - *Avoda Shebalev*, *Nuestro Kabbalat Shabat*, and *Bein Hashmashot*- to assist others in worship. You have brought to your following a joyful Judaism full of religious tradition, spirituality, culture, and social justice.

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The Jewish Theological Seminary