

**Congregation B'nai Emet Collection**  
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**Record Group: 1**

**Collection Number: 21-03**

**Creator:** Congregation B'nai Emet

**Inclusive Dates:** 1990-2003

**Extent:** .5 cu. feet

**Abstract:** Institutional records of Congregation B'nai Emet

**Acquisition information:** Donated by Lucy Katzen in 2003.

**Preferred Citation:** Congregation B'nai Emet Collection

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**History:**

Congregation B'nai Emet is an independent congregation founded in 1990, and located in Sparta, NJ. It was founded by a small group of local residents, including Lucy and David Katzen. The congregation has never had a rabbi, preferring to conduct bi-monthly Shabbat and High Holidays services "on their own". The congregation supports a wide variety of activities, which have included a four-part lecture series, participation in an Interfaith Holocaust Memorial Service, skiing trips to the Catskills and numerous congregational dinners. (Information taken from the Congregation's 5-year anniversary letter.)

**Scope and Content:** This collection is comprised of paper and photographs and is divided into series as follows:

- I. Administrative
  - a. Board Meeting
  - b. General Meeting
  - c. Correspondences (Incoming)
- II. Committees
- III. Events
  - a. "An English Siddur" – n.d.
  - b. Dinner - 5<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Dinner
  - c. Dinner - 10th Anniversary Dinner
  - d. Events Schedule - 1990
  - e. Shabbat Services- n.d.
- IV. Finance
- V. Membership
- VI. Publications - Newsletters
- VII. Press
  - a. Newspaper Clippings

**Conservation Notes:**

n/a

**Removals:**

None

**Organization:**

The materials are organized alphabetically, then chronologically within the series.