

## **Netivot Shalom, The New Shul of Baltimore**

RELIGIOUS LEADER: Rotating "Rabbi's on call" from congregants with *smicha*

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### **Women in Leadership Positions**

- Women serve as Board officers

### **Women Speaking From the Amud**

- Women may speak from the *amud*
- Women deliver *divrei* Torah and teach classes

### **Women's Ritual Participation**

- Torah is passed to the women before and after Torah reading
- Women recite *birkhat hagomel*
- Women recite the *tefilah l'shlom hamedinah* and the *tefilah* for the American Government
- Mother's name may be included in *aliyot* and *misheberachs*

### **Kaddish**

- Women may recite *kaddish*

### **Women's Tefillah Group**

- Monthly WT group

### **Life Cycle Events**

- To date, there have not been any Bat Mitzvah or Shalom Bat ceremonies
- Women are included *brit milot* and Bar Mitzvah celebrations

### **Holidays**

- Coed readings of: *Megillah* Esther, *Kohelet*, *Shir Hashirim* and Ruth
- Simchat Torah: Discussions pending on women reciting *Ata Hareita*

### **Mechitzah Structure**

- Down the middle; opened for shiurim and other non-*davaning* events

### **Childcare Available During Services**

- Yes