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## Ten Goals of the March of the Living

1. To remember those who perished, to be a witness, thus denying Hitler a "posthumous victory". The role of the survivor is a key element in this goal.
2. To pay tribute to the courage of those who survived the Holocaust, who rebuilt their lives despite the haunting memories of the past.
3. To recognize and learn from the altruistic actions of the "righteous among the nations", who teach us to never be a bystander in the face of oppression.
4. To honor the heroic veterans of WWII who fought to liberate Europe from the hands of Nazi tyranny.
5. To never again allow for the unchecked rise of the menace of anti-Semitism.
6. To never again allow any kind of racial discrimination directed by any individual or group in society against another to gain strength. Though Jews have been primarily the victims of racism, this goal also relates to racism expressed by Jews towards others. Included in this goal is the teaching that all human beings are created *btsalem elohim* (in the image of God), and the diminution of the dignity of any member of the human family is a cardinal violation of Jewish ethical teachings.
7. To inspire participants to commit to building a world free of oppression and intolerance, a world of freedom, democracy and justice, for all members of the human family.
8. To bolster the Jewish identity of the next generation of Jewish youth by acquainting them with the rich Jewish heritage that existed in Eastern Europe, and is now lost. As in the first point noted, the survivor is a key element in this goal. Included in this goal is a commitment to living our Jewish lives today in a way that reflects the diverse values and traditions of pre-war European Jewry.
9. To understand the importance of the existence of Israel:
  - as the spiritual centre and homeland of the Jewish people.
  - to learn the lesson that Jews never again allow themselves to be defenseless.
  - to develop a love for the people of Israel and an appreciation of the hardships and sacrifice endured by her citizens on behalf of Israel.

Related to this goal, is understanding the concept of *Mesboah Le'tkumah* (from destruction to rebirth). Despite the devastation of the Holocaust, the Jewish people did not yield to despair, or give up their belief in building a better tomorrow. Rather they rose up — against all odds — and established the state of Israel, the hope and future of the Jewish people.

10. The final goal is not so much to learn from or about history, but to enter into history. By visiting Eastern Europe, young Jewish students are taking part in a commemorative act, which tells themselves, their people, and the entire world — and perhaps even those who have perished — that the death of six million of our people has been marked and will never be forgotten by the Jewish people.

# THE LEGACY

Author Unknown

Deep in your heart is where I reside,  
Listen, you'll hear all the tears that I've cried.  
I am the soul of millions who've died  
Before you were given your birth.

A part of your being, a piece of your past,  
The women and children so brutally gassed.  
This is your legacy, please make it last,  
Go tell all the people on earth.

## CHORUS

Memories as they grow older,  
Tend to grow colder and then disappear,  
The burden is now on your shoulder,  
You have a message you must make them hear.  
Please, never forget me,  
I am the spirit that must live on.  
Though you never meet me,  
You must remember me, now that I'm gone.

Nothing has changed, I can still feel the hate.  
Standing in silence, you're tempting your fate –  
You must speak out now, before it's too late;  
You can't close your eyes and pretend.

Think of the grandfather you've never kissed.  
All of the relatives that you have missed.  
Raise up your voice and then raise your fist.  
And tell the world, "Never Again!"

First sung on the 1998 March of the Living New Jersey Region  
by Danit Aronson at the Ash Dome in Majdanek.



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