



FAITH & FUNDRAISING: THREE TRADITIONS, UNLIMITED QUESTIONS

A trio of Jewish, Muslim and Christian fundraisers explain what you need to know about religious donors.



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GREAT-GREAT-GREAT-GREAT... GRANDFATHER ABRAHAM

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What is the day today?

Jewish Calendar



5783

Christian Calendar



2023

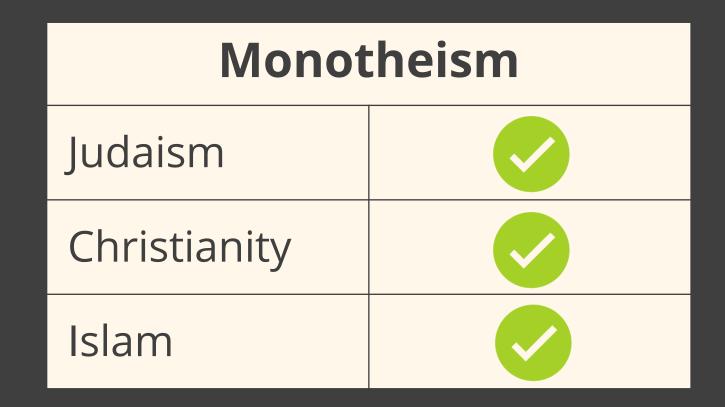
Younger than Judaism; Older than Islam

Muslim Calendar



1444 AH

Beliefs – One G-d





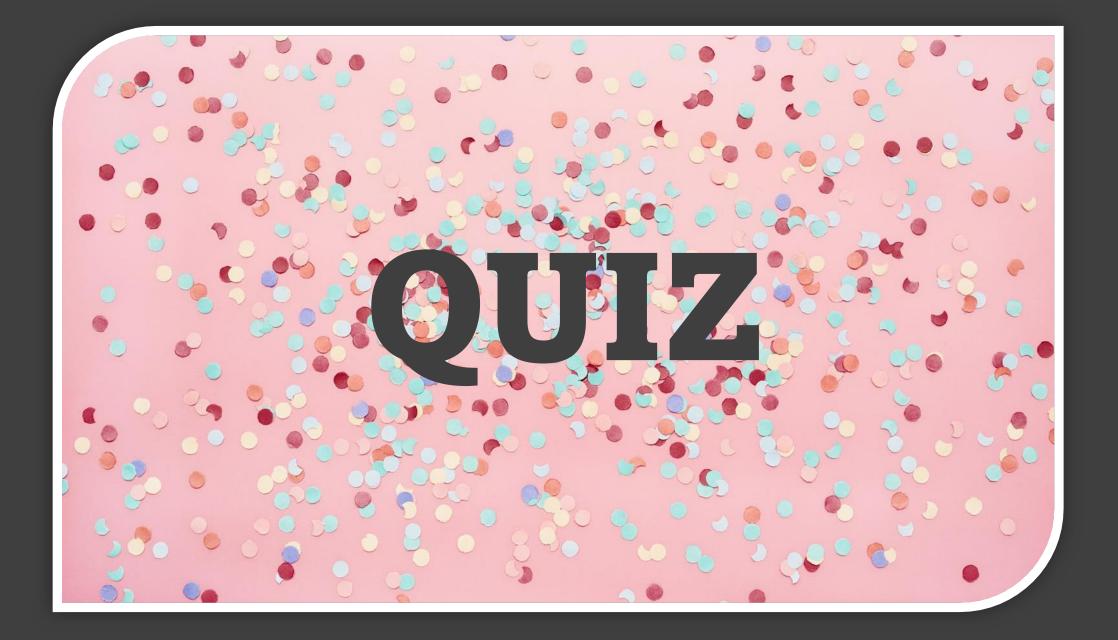
Religious donors give more!

Road Map



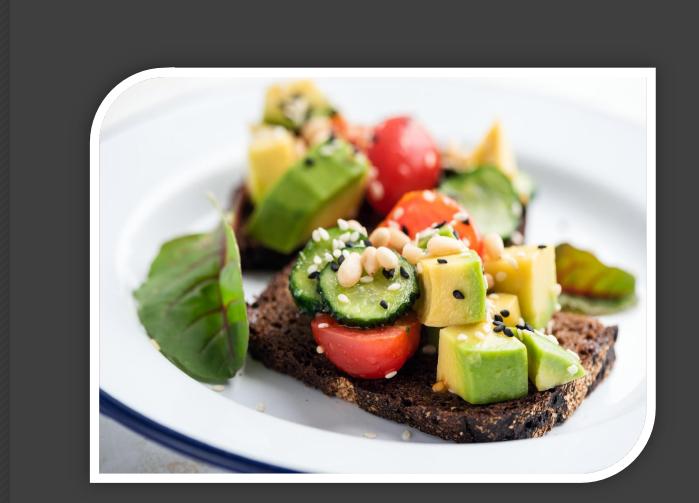








Event Planning I



1) Vegetarian and vegan options

2) List the ingredients

3) Non-alcoholic options



	Jews	Christians	Muslims
Pork	×		
Shellfish			
Milk with meat (Cheeseburger)			
Animal products	Kosher		Halal

Alcohol?

Judaism	
Christianity	<mark>It depends</mark>
Islam	





Check your dates & Be willing to reschedule

Etiquette

Men & Women Mixing?

Judaism	<mark>It depends</mark>
Christianity	<mark>lt depends</mark>
Islam	

Dress Code

Especially in Conservati Groups	ive		
Judaism			
Christianity			
Islam			

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Politics

Judaism	Socially Liberal
Christianity	
Islam	Socially Conservative

Safety & Security



JEWISH TRADITION

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Definition

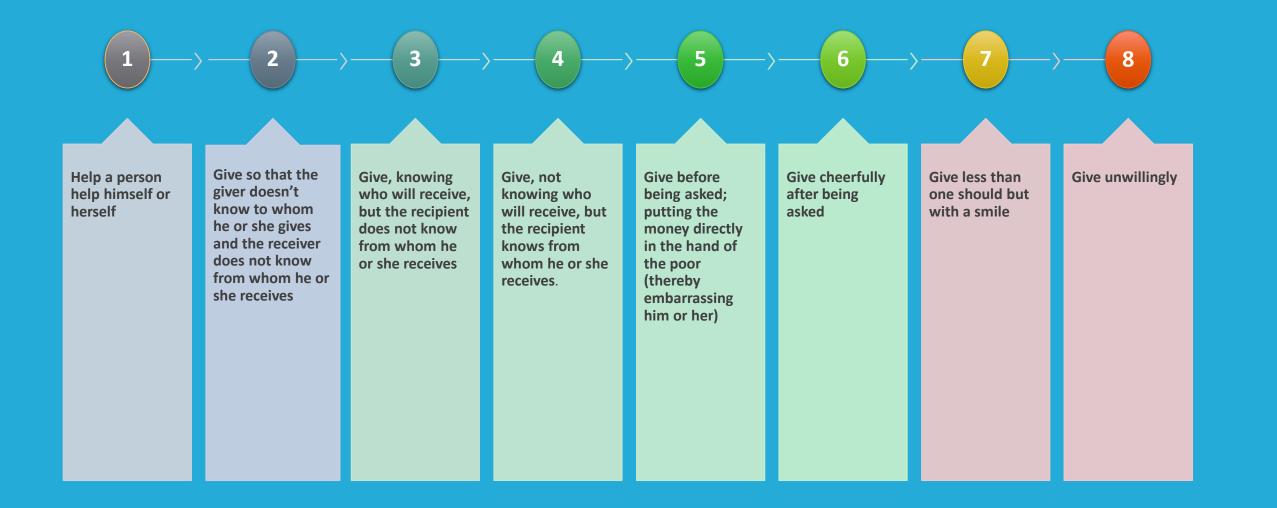
"TZEDAKAH IS JUDAISM'S CALL TO JUSTICE"

Definition of Charity Tzedakah | צדקה

Guess the Order

Give cheerfully after being asked	Give so that the giver doesn't know to whom he or she gives and the receiver does not know from whom he or she receives	Give unwillingly	Give, not knowing who will receive, but the recipient knows from whom he or she receives
Give before being asked; putting the money directly in the hand of the poor	Help a person help himself or herself	Give less than one should but with a smile	Give, knowing who will receive, but the recipient does not know from whom he or she receives

Motivation for Giving



FUNDRAISING TIPS

Jewish Philanthropy

Identification



Congregational Practice

Intermediate Giving

Become a Member

Compared to most shuls, we've tried to keep our membership dues as low as possible. Our memberships include one High Holiday ticket for single memberships, and two for family memberships. The membership year runs from August 1 to July 31.

We are pleased to offer discounted membership fees for new members.

For the upcoming Jewish year 5780, we have established the following membership fee structure:

Membership	Pricing	
	Current Members	New Members
Family (2HH seats)	\$1,095	\$825
Single (1 HH seat)	\$545	\$415
YP/Student Couple (2 HH seats)	\$275	\$275
YP/Student Single (1 HH seat)	\$145	\$145

Etiquette



Ladies first

Dr. Jane & Mr. John Doe

Gifts in Memory





How to say "Thank You"



Anonymous?

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CHRISTIAN TRADITION

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LOVE YOUR NEIGHBOUR

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FUNDRAISING TIPS

Christian Giving

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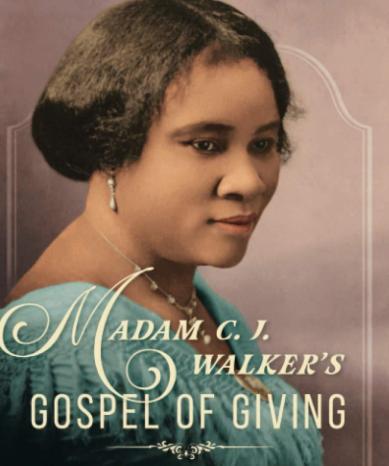






MADAM C.J. WALKER'S GOSPEL OF GIVING

By Tyrone McKinley Freeman



BLACK WOMEN'S PHILANTHROPY DURING JIM CROW

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Future Trends



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MUSLIM TRADITION

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The Origins

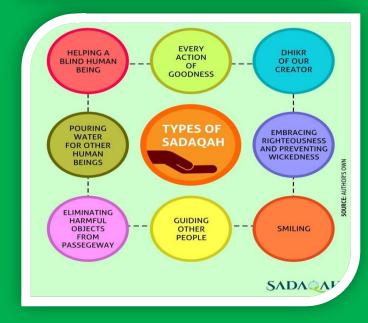
- Youngest of all Abrahamic faiths
- Currently 2 Billion+ Muslims
- Belief in 6 articles of faith
- Manifested in 5 obligatory practices
- Zakat (Charity) is one such practice



Individual Practice

- Zakat is PURIFICATION of self and wealth
- Zakat = Obligatory (Sunni), Defined, 2.5%
- Khums = Obligatory (Shia), Defined, 1/5th
- Sadaqa = Voluntary, Non-Financial too
- Waqf = Endowment, Bequest





Congregational Practice

- Creating collective social impact
- Organized, Targeted & Modernized
- Mosques and Non-Profit Organizations





FUNDRAISING TIPS

Muslim Philanthropy



HALAL

- \$3 Trillion global market
- Consumption connected to spirituality
- Kosher is an alternative; but not for all



Donor Visits





Motivations for Giving

- Religious obligation
- Compassion towards the less-fortunate
- Desire to contribute to the community

* But there's more behind the obvious!!!



Best Timing for Giving

- Ramadan (month-long fasting)
- Time for Zakat calculation & distribution



Identification/Cultivation

- Influencer strategy
- Reach out during challenging times
- Present at community events
- Offer to educate/collaborate for services



Solicitation

- Most Muslims give through <u>live fundraising</u>
- Emotional appeal still trumps
- Love to see tangible benefits



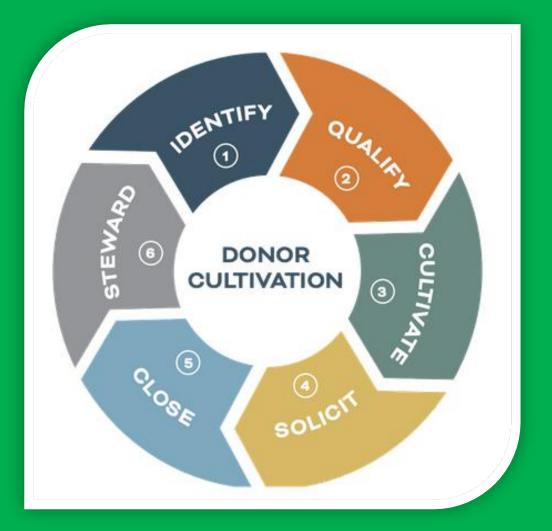
Stewardship

- Anonymity to please the divine & reap rewards
- Nothing beats a sincere prayer/wish
- Letters not mainstream; but will do miracles
- Plaques and big gifts are not favored

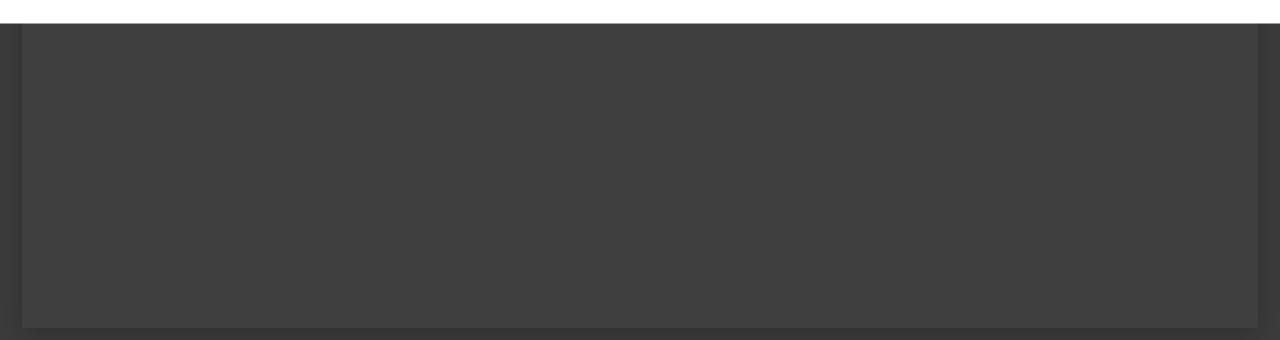




Don't overly rely on established timeframes for donor cycles



COMMON GROUND



What we have in common > What separates us



Questions?

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Comments?



Thank You