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Introducing CANTOR BRIAN REICH, RABBI

Cantor Brian is a fifth generation cantor straight down his lineage; all of his father's children are cantors. Raised Orthodox (and ordained in the Conservative movement in 1989), he had been a cantor in training since birth. This explains why he prefers the name *Cantor Brian*.

Cantor Brian served in Reform congregations for most of his career. In 2007, he received his independent Renewal Rabbinic ordination. After serving Congregation Beth El in Berkeley, California, for nearly twenty years as their Cantor/Program Director, Cantor Brian took on a new position in Davis, California, as Assistant Rabbi.



Warsaw, Poland, was his next stop and he became known there as **THE SINGING RABBI**. From 2011 to 2012, Cantor Brian was **Rav Reich**, as he had the divine pleasure of serving Congregation Beit Warszawa, a congregation of everything but Orthodox Judaism. This was for him a life changing experience. During these High Holy Days, there will be time for him to share with us some incredible human stories from Warsaw and he will talk about what life is like for Jews in Poland today.

Currently Cantor Brian is the Director of Education at Temple Israel in Alameda California, where he also has served as cantor. Cantor Brian is an accomplished guitar player and composer. His latest project is a compilation of some of his own renditions of Prayers. His newest CD is called **YISMECHU-REJOICE**.

Cantor Brian is married to Orly Guzy Reich. Together Brian and Orly have five children; Shira, Talia, Natalie, Avihai and Gabriel, and two young grandchildren, Jameson and Amila Rose.