

Dear Linda C. (WRJ International Office),

I have received the first check of this year. Please forward the following.

Thank you for all of the good wishes.

I started the third year of my studies. I had a fantastic summer in Hungary with my family and my community. We had an egalitarian Tisha BeAv evening, which was attended by approximately 20 people, most of them had their first Tisha BeAv experience. This was also the first time our community, Sim Shalom celebrated this holiday. I chanted the full Book of Lamentations. There were lectures and discussions in order to understand and interpret this event in a progressive, modern way.

I spent my High Holidays in Esch-Sur-Alzette, Luxembourg. Besides the regular services, I led very successful family prayers both for Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur. The children took an active part of the service, and enjoyed very much playing the Book of Job. The news of the event were spread quickly in this small country, which resulted in that other communities also planned family prayers, synagogues which never had any family events!
I also take part in organizing the Limmud Hungary which will be during next month.

I am really grateful to your contribution to my education.
I wish a wonderful New Year to all the members of WRJ.

Peter Radvanszki
Rabbinical Student
Leo Baeck College, London