## As You Celebrate Your Bar or Bat Mitzvah... A message from MAZON: A Jewish Response to Hunger

The day of your Bar or Bat Mitzvah is one of the few that will stay with you all of your life. Our Jewish tradition tells us to mark special occasions by celebrating with family and friends, in part so that these memorable days will remain with us forever.

There is a companion tradition, one that teaches us to deepen our happiness by sharing joyous celebrations with those in need. It is especially appropriate to do so on the day of a Bar or Bat Mitzvah, when a child becomes an adult and accepts responsibility for fulfilling the mitzvah of *tzedakah*.

On the day of your Bar or Bat Mitzvah, millions of children in America and around the world will go hungry, as they do every day. That tragedy — and the happiness of a Bar or Bat Mitzvah — represent the joys and sorrows of life. Both need your family's attention.

In the spirit of our Jewish tradition, please share the attached brochure with your family and do what it asks: give 3% of the cost of your celebration to MAZON: A Jewish Response to Hunger. Make this day even more special by providing food and other help, through MAZON, to poor families everywhere. You will enrich their lives — and your own.

For more information about MAZON, or to request table cards suitable for use as place cards or as announcements to your guests that you are sharing a portion of your celebration with those in need, please write or call us:

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