

Reconstructionist Rabbinical Association
RESOLUTION
TO SAVE THE BETA YISRAEL (FALASHAS)

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The community of Beta Yisrael (Falashas) of Ethiopia has been reduced in numbers from 100,000 at the beginning of this century to approximately 25,000 today. The greater part of this community of Jews has been murdered, forcibly converted, or sold into slavery. Those who have survived remain under oppressive conditions of poverty and face the threat of physical extinction.

The Israel Knesset and the Jewish Agency have recently expressed their commitment to do everything within their power to assist the rescue and aliyah of the Beta Yisrael. The Reconstructionist Rabbinical Association applauds these statement and we call upon all Jews and Jewish agencies and congregations to offer their financial aid and moral encouragement towards the effort of saving the remnant of the Beta Yisrael.