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JEWISH DIVERSITY COMMITTEE OF CONGREGATION DARCHEI NOAM

<u>The Jewish Diversity Committee Presents:</u> Crypto Jewish History and the Current Story: Reconnecting with World Jewry

With Guest Speaker: **Rabbi Stephen Leon** Spiritual Leader of Congregation B'nai Zion, El Paso Texas, and Rabbi to the Crypto Jews of the South West United States

Rabbi Leon, a Conservative rabbi, has for over 20 years assisted people seeking to connect with their historical/familial Jewish roots, harking back to the expulsion of Jews from Spain (later Portugal and Italy) during the Inquisition that began in Spain in 1492. He has many tender and heartwarming stories of the "returning" Jews or Anousim, many of whom he has converted.

Rabbi Leon will share his vision that includes creating a Sephardic-Hispanic Anousim Learning Center in El Paso, and continuing to bring back many who want to claim their Jewish heritage and faith.

Co-presented by Canadian Friends of Kulanu Inc.

When: Monday, March 9, 7:15 PM

Where: Social Hall, Congregation Darchei Noam 864 Sheppard Ave. West