

TSION TAMATI
Circle Dance

The dance portrays the great longing the Jews have for returning to Zion - Israel.

Translation: By Innocent Zion
Dance: Eliyahu Gamliel
Meter: 3/4
Formation: Circle in a simple hold

8 Intro

| Measures | Counts | Description |
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| 1 | 1-3 | <u>Part A</u> Facing R in LOD 3 Steps fwd. - R, L, R, in LOD, CCW, on the third step turn to face center |
| 2 | 1 | Step L back up onto balls of ft <i>on straight leg</i> |
| | 2 | Step R fwd. <i>came movement to bent knee</i> |
| | 3 | Close L beside R <i>Shift body fwd</i> |
| 3-4 | | Repeat Meas. 1-2, Part A |
| 5 | 1 | Step R to R |
| | 2 | Cross L over R |
| | 3 | Step R back behind L |
| 6 | 1-3 | 3 Step turn - L, R, L to L moving to RLOD, CW |
| 7 | 1 | Step R across L w/bent knees, hands and fingers stretched to L |
| | 2 | Step L to L elbows bent, body straight <i>& slight body lean to R</i> |
| | 3 | Repeat ct. 1, Meas. 7, Part A |
| 8 | 1 | Repeat ct. 2, Meas. 7, Part A |
| | 2-3 | Repeat cts. 1-2, Meas. 7, Part A |
| 9-16 | | Repeat Meas. 1-8, Part A |

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| 1 | 1-3 | <u>Part B - (face center)</u> 3 Steps fwd. - R, L, R |
| 2 | 1 | Step L fwd. w/bent knee <i>& leaning fwd slightly</i> |
| | 2 | Close R beside L <i>up onto balls of ft, bringing hands up</i> |
| | 3 | Hold <i>ful</i> |
| 3-4 | | Repeat Meas. 1-2, Part B, <i>reverse direction</i> |
| 5 | 1-2 | 2 Steps fwd. - R, <i>brushing knee slightly</i> , L starting to come up |
| | 3 | Brush R heel while rising on ball of L |
| 6 | | Repeat Meas. 5, Part B |
| 7 | 1 | Cross R over L |
| | 2 | Step L in place, behind R |
| | 3 | 3 Step turn CW, R, L, R moving <i>out of cir</i> |
| 8 | 1-2 } 3 | Close L beside R, face center |

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| 1 | 1-3 | <u>Part C</u> 3 Steps - R, L, R in LOD, CCW |
| 2 | 1 | Cross L over R <i>brushing up on balls of ft, pivot</i> |
| | 2 | Close R beside L, <i>turn</i> to face RLOD, CW |
| | 3 | Hold |
| 3-4 | | Repeat Meas. 1-2, Part C, reverse footwork and direction |
| 5-6 | 1-6 | 2 Waltz steps - R, L, to complete 1 solo turn to R, CW |
| 7 | 1 | Step R fwd., toward center |
| | 2 | Close L beside R while rising to balls of feet |
| | 3 | Hold |
| 8 | 1-3 | Repeat Meas. 7, Part C, reverse footwork and direction |

Interlude
Repeat Meas. 1-8, Part A