

## The Ozlevi Family



This photograph was taken 4 months ago. From the left, my daughter-in-law Emili Özlevi, my son Yusuf Özlevi, myself, my daughter Çela Özlevi, my oldest grandson, younger grandsons from my son Eran Özlevi, and Alp Özlevi.

That day was noche shabbat (sabbath night), my grandchild was 2-3 months old, my wife said there is a wonderful ambience here, I have to take a picture, and she took it.

We tried to raise our kids according to Jewish traditions. We used to celebrate all the Jewish holidays. We did whatever was necessary. We even bought the presents on the holidays. The children know the religion but they do not go to the synagogue much.

I did not have any disagreements with my children about raising our grandchildren according to Jewish traditions but I wanted my grandchildren to attend mahaziketora, but one of my kids said, not necessary, the other said we'll see, now there is the internet, they can learn from there when they want to, they did not favor sending them there.

Today my wife still cooks and gathers the family.

Our grandchildren do not attend Jewish schools. For a while, my daughter's son went to the Jewish school for a couple of years, but I think it was not challenging and she transferred him to another school.