

FOR MARTHA

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In honor of her becoming a Jew-by-Choice

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The other night I was looking at the sky.  
It was a rare evening when the miracles of creation gave an encore performance.  
A crescent moon.

A twinkling planet.

A shooting star.

There was nothing new about the sky.  
But there was something different about me.

I saw a star that had always been there.

A star destined by God to reflect one of the descendents of

Abraham

and

Sarah.

A star whose light was nurturing and sweet. A star poised with dignity and strength.

Yes, the star had always been there, but this night the world embraced her.

And the works of creation began all over again.