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On a personal family level, this is a sample of attempts people have made to be able to be together safely for a holiday meal./Rabbi Clifford Miller

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From: **Deborah Miller** <dgiveret@gmail.com>
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Subject: Is this possible?
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Dear Arielle, Zeke, Cliff and Sam,

I am wondering if there is some way we can have Thanksgiving dinner, or that Shabbat dinner together. Maybe this is just crazy. But:

If we all get tested for COVID and are tested negative (how far in advance?) before Thanksgiving, could we then have dinner together? I am afraid that we would have to quarantine between the time of the test and Thanksgiving--and that is probably not possible for Arielle, but maybe? So let's say it takes 5 days to get results. If we were tested on the Friday before (November 23) and quarantined until Thanksgiving, Nov. 29)--that would be 4 days that Arielle would have to work from home (Sunday, Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday).

Is this possible?

And we would probably have to make appointments in advance for the testing, since we will not be the only people to have thought of it.

My United Health Care is ready to send test kits for free, but I haven't seen the instructions on how to get them to a lab or how quickly they can have results.

One little downside: There are lots of false negatives...Don't know what to do about that.

Let me know what you think of all of this.

Love,
Imma/Savta/Debby

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Debby Miller
(She/her/hers)