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A Word from our Principal

By Rabbi Ringo



Tayere Tmimim sh',

Chassidim tell a story of a certain chossid of the Mittler Rebbe who was known to be particularly lebedig and besimcha and was able to create this feeling in others as well. Once, by the chassuna of one of the Mittler Rebbe's children he asked this chossid to sing with extra simcha as the Alter Rebbe had come – this was after the histalkus of the Alter Rebbe and he was referring to the neshoma of the Alter Rebbe being present. Chassidim need to know that it is important to be positive and besimcha even during times when things look hard and when people are losing hope. All around us people are continuing to learn and to connect with others despite the challenges going on in the world. This message is extra relevant to you, the Yaldei Hashluchim, as the Rebbe once said that shliach is begematria sameach – a shliach must always be besimcha especially when he remembers that he has the special kocho of the Rebbe to fulfill his shlichus and to help transform the environment to one of kedusha and Tahara!

Wishing you a wonderful Shabbos

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A Story of the Rebbe

By Mendel Labkowski

The early 1950s was an especially terrible time for Jews in the Soviet Union, a period filled with terror and dread. Joseph Stalin's infamous "Doctors' Plot" was at its peak, and Russia's Jewish physicians were disappearing rapidly. People were being purged left and right, never to be heard from again. Around the world, Jews wept and pleaded with G-d, but there was no salvation in sight.

It was the night after the holiday of Purim, 1953. In Brooklyn, New York, a large crowd of Yidden had gathered to celebrate with the Rebbe. Many of the participants had themselves just recently escaped from behind the Iron Curtain. A good number had personally suffered the wrath of Stalin's tyranny, wasting away for years in Russian prisons. Still, many such Chasidim could not forget their oppressed brethren across the sea.

That year at the Purim gathering the Rebbe delivered a Maamar on the Pasuk, "And he brought up Hadassah, who is Esther." As always, the Rebbe's holy countenance underwent a visible transformation before beginning the Maamar, his elevated state of attachment to Hashem. Indeed, a few minutes later the Rebbe said the Maamar.

The Farbrengan continued for the next few hours, during which the Rebbe said several Sichos, Neginim were sung, and Le'chayims were said.

It was late at night - almost dawn, in fact - when an unusual thing occurred. For the second time that evening the Rebbe's holy face began to radiate with that special solemnity and earnestness that meant that he was preparing to say a Maamar. The Chasidim could barely believe what was happening. The Rebbe had never said 2 Maamarim at the same farbrengan! The room was still. No one uttered a sound. The Rebbe began to speak: "After the Czar fell in Russia, it was announced that the government would be holding elections. The Rebbe Rashab went word to the Chasidim that they were to participate in the voting process. There was one particular Chasid who was completely removed from worldly affairs; to him the political arena was foreign territory.

"Nonetheless, having received an explicit instruction from the Rebbe, he set out to fulfill his command. With a sense of awe and

reverence he immersed himself in a mikva, donned his gartel and set

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Out for the polling booth

"Of course, when he got there he had no idea what he was expected to do, but some of the more worldly Chasidim helped him cast his vote. Adjusting his gartel, the Chasid did what everyone else was doing. When the votes were cast, everyone cried out 'Hurrah!' Taking his cue from those around him he likewise cried out, 'Hurrah! Hurrah! Hurrah!' "

As he uttered these words, the Rebbe's face burned with a holy fire. The Chasidim were astounded; they realized that more was going on than met the eye, but they did not understand the significance of what had just occurred. Swept up by the powerful emotion that filled the air, the crowd spontaneously rose to its feet and shouted, "Hurrah! Hurrah! Hurrah!" three times.

After this strange preamble the Rebbe delivered his second maamar, based on the Pasuk in the Megila, "Therefore they called these days Purim, after the name of Pur."

[In the introduction to a different Maamar published almost 50 years later, reference is made to that second maamar: "...It was obviously connected to the events that were then taking place in 'that country,' the fall of its dictator, an enemy of the Jews. This was understood from the story the Rebbe told right before the Maamar about the Rebbe Rashab's directive to the Chasidim during the Russian Revolution, after the Czar was toppled."]

In 1953, March 4 coincided with 17 Adar. On that fateful day the Russian state radio in Moscow made the startling announcement that two days previously, the night after Purim, Joseph Stalin had fallen gravely ill and had lost consciousness. The next morning, 18 Adar, the whole truth was finally revealed: Stalin was dead. The brutal dictator had collapsed the night the Chasidim were shouting "Hurrah" in Brooklyn

at the Rebbe's Farbrengan. [The Hebrew words "hu rah" mean "he is evil"] Jews throughout the Soviet Union breathed a collective sigh of relief, tempered, of course, by a realistic apprehension of the future. No one, however, could have imagined in his wildest dreams a more miraculous end to Stalin's reign of terror. At long last the "Doctors' Plot" was over, and countless prisoners were set free. In the wake of

Stalin's death the oppressive atmosphere in the Soviet Union was greatly lightened, and so ended one of the grimmest chapters in the annals of Russian Jewish history.



A Short Dvar Torah

Levi Schmerling



This week is פרשת במדבר. This פרשה is always read on the שבת before שבועות. Everything in תורה is exact, therefore, there must be a connection between what we read in פרשת במדבר and שבועות, that the content of במדבר is a preparation for מתן תורה.

Let's explain: there is a rule in הלכה that דבר שבמנין אינו בטל, that something that is counted does not become בטל, it never become nullified in something else. פרשת במדבר speaks about counting the אידן, the של"ה writes, that the reason for counting the אידן, was in order to make us a דבר שבמבין, an important people who can never become בטל. Through being counted, the אידן got the ability to affect the world without being affected by the גוים around us.

The purpose of מתן תורה was not just so the אידן should start keeping תורה and מצוות, we know that the אבות already did that beforehand, rather the point of מתן תורה was that the מצוות that we do should impact the physical world, that the objects that we

use to for הייליגע purposes, become הייליג themselves. This became possible only when ה' revealed himself on הר סיני and gave us the תורה. Now, back to why במדבר is always read before שבועות: in order for the אידן to accomplish our עבודה to affect make the world and the people around us הייליג, we first had to be counted, to become a דבר שבמנין, so that when we go out to affect

the world, we would not become בטל to the world. This way we can go about doing our שליחות to bring משיח right away!

The Weekly Shmooze

By Levi Schmerling

This Week With: Zalman Wolvovsky



What grade are you in, and where do you live?

I am in 7th Grade, and I live in Sonoma County, California.

So tell me a bit about your chabad house. Last year B"H we finished renovating our new Chabad House. We moved from a place with 2 rooms, to a about ten rooms. The thing that stands out in my Chabad House is the Aron Kodesh. It is in the shape of a tree representing the Eitz Hachayim.

What are some of the Classes that you family does?

My Father gives a class every Tuesday and Thursday on the the weekly Parsha and Tanya. My Mother gives a class every Tuesday and the Rosh Chodesh Society.

Can you maybe share a short story that once happened to you on Shlichus?

Last Friday, my mother was at the Chabad House, and she saw a lady that come to Shul every week, walking to the Chabad House. Dhe told my Mother that she was walking from her house to make sure she was still fit to walk to shul on shabbos.

What is your favorite part of being on Shlichus?

I like meeting new Yidden and putting Tefillin on them. I also like to speak to the Hebrew school kids around my age about how it is to be a Yid.

The Weekly Shmooze

By Levi Schmerling

What are some of the challenges you face on shlichus?

Not being able to just cross the street and see my friends.

What are some things you like about Online school?

That I can have friends all over the world, and still see them everyday!

FUN PAGE!

By Avrumi Feldman

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Riddles 🧐

Rearrange the following
letters to make just one
word. "STOODUWERNJ"
What is it?

Answer: Riddles.com/1167

Can you find all 5
Y's hidden in this Image?

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Riddle #1

How can you drop
an egg from super
high on to a
concrete floor
without cracking it?

Riddle #2

The person that
made it doesn't
want it. The person
that buys it doesn't
need it. And the
person that has it
doesn't know it.
What am I?

Riddle #3

I am lighter than
air but a hundred
people cannot lift
me. Careful, I am
fragile. What am I?

ANSWERS TO BEHAR BECHUKOSAI RIDDLES

Riddle 1 - They both have Greece at the bottom

Riddle 2 - The Letter "R"

Riddle 3 - Bring a chair back with you.

1 When the company was started, it had a total different area of business Samsung, as a company, it had a total different start than any other company in the World. I mean any other company started with a product, and they kept developing it in time, but Samsung first started as a noodles making company.



2 It may sound crazy but Samsung is the actual manufacturer for Apple phones hardware. That means that any Apple phone that you buy is really made by Samsung.



3 The Samsung logo has only changed 3 times! Considering the fact that they've been around since 1938 it's pretty impressive no?



4 Samsung Electronics has the astonishing number of 370,000 employees Worldwide. If you don't think that this is amazing think about the fact that Apple has only 80,000 employees and Microsoft 97,000.

9 Samsung is not only an electronics company, they have a ship industry, a building industry and a lot more than you can imagine.

10 Samsung made the biggest container ship in the world it can hold 21,413 containers. That's a lot!!



Things you probably didn't know about...

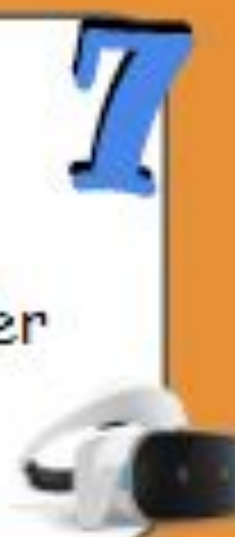
By : Yoel Tzemach Krinsky

5 Samsung spends a lot of money for advertising. In 2012 Samsung spent \$4 billion on advertising, and nearly \$5 billion on marketing.

6 Samsung's construction division built the Burj Khalifa, which is the tallest building in the world.



7 Six Flags and Samsung teamed up in 2016 to create North America's first Virtual Reality Roller Coasters which used Samsung VR equipment.



8 Samsung made the first watch phone. This unique watch phone could not only tell time, but also make phone calls for up to 90 minutes. After that, the battery would be depleted and you'd have to run over to a charger. The screen was of the backlit monochrome LCD variety, and there were physical buttons navigating around the menu. There were even voice commands for dialing your contacts — fancy.



11 Since its launch into the defense industry in 1983, Samsung Techwin has developed and produced artillery systems like the 155mm self-propelled Howitzer M109A2, K9 Thunder, K10 ammunition resupply vehicle, fire direction center vehicles, amphibious assault vehicles and other weapons, according to Samsung.



12 Average Samsung Salary. Samsung pays its employees an average of \$93,241 a year. Salaries at Samsung range from an average of \$49,402 to \$173,145 a year.



Samsung's first phone



Samsung's latest phone



Samsung Headquarters