

## A Word from our Principal

By Rabbi Ringo

#### **Tayere Tmimim**

One year, a few days before pesach, the famous Tzadik, the Shpoler Zaida went around collecting "kimcha dpischa" flour for maztos to help those who could not afford it. What surprised the people of the villages and towns was that the Shpoler Zaida was apparently collecting ridiculous amounts of wheat to be ground into flour and no one understood why he needed so much. A few days before Pesach that year there was a fire in one of the villages and the people there lost almost everything, including their maztos. The Shpoler Zaida was able to provide all these people with their needs. It was the vision of the Shpoler Zaida that ensured that the people's needs were taken care of by being "makdim refua lmakko" arranging the healing before the disease even started. Over the last few weeks schools, principals, parents and talmiddim have all been "forced" to go online to learn torah. For almost all of these people online learning was a new and unknown experience. The Shluchim Office was makdim refua lmakko by having the Online School set up way in advance and so many people have turned to us for an example of what online kodesh school learning is all about. So, through all the craziness going on around us the Rebbe and his mosad had the vision to provide for talmiddim to be able to learn torah, to connect, and to guide others even in a time when things outside do not allow for regular learning. Thank you for being such good role-models and for welcoming in many new talmiddim into our school. Many teachers saw our classes in order to learn how to be better able to teach and reach out to their talmiddim. Your shlichus has thus continued in ways no one thought would ever be needed or was even possible! Wishing you all a kosheren and a freilighen pesach! Stay safe, healthy and be careful to follow all the instructions related to keeping ourselves healthy begashmiyus and Beruchniyus!

Wishing you a wonderful Shabbos, Rabbi Y. Ringo

## A Story of the Rebbe

By Mendel Labkowski

I had travelled to Crown Heights, Brooklyn, from London, England, for the Convention of Chabad-Lubavitch Women Emissaries this year. At one point during my visit, my daughter and I took a cab to a different Brooklyn neighborhood. The cab driver was friendly and told us of his background; he was raised in Ghana. He then asked me if I belonged to the Lubavitch community in Crown Heights. When I told him I was Lubavitch, but lived overseas, he asked, "Do you visit the Rebbe's Ohel?" Without waiting for an answer, he exclaimed, "He is a great man and performs miracles, even these days! I had a miracle through him!"

He enthusiastically continued his story: "A few years ago, I was badly injured in a car accident. I couldn't drive for a full year, and since driving is my livelihood, I was left without any way to earn money. To make matters worse, I didn't fill out my insurance claims properly, so I didn't receive any payments. I was left with nothing. Somehow, I made it through the year, and then went back to work driving my cab.

"One day someone from the Crown Heights Lubavitch community asked me to drive him to the Ohel. He went to pray at the Rebbe's Ohel, while I waited for him in my car outside, by the curb. I thought to myself, 'Why don't I ask for a Bracha?' I had driven enough people to the Ohel to know what to do; you write a letter with your request. So, that's exactly what I did. Then I thought, 'If you, Rebbe, represent us humans to Hashem on high, you can do it from anywhere.' I took my letter and slipped it through the wire fence near the street.

"Let me tell you what happened. Within a week, I received full payment from my insurance company for the entire year, all in one lump sum. You can't imagine what that meant for me! But wait, I have another miracle to share with you, that happened with my friend:

"I have a friend from Ghana who lives with his wife in Canada. He came to New York to visit me. When he arrived, he looked so downcast and miserable. I didn't want to pry into his business, but I wanted to be helpful.

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I said to him, 'You look like you have worries, I know a place you can get a Bracha that will help you... come let me take you there.'

"My friend agreed and I took him to the Ohel. By mistake, I came on Saturday and realized it was not a good day to come, so we headed back. However, I told him I could take him on Sunday. We went on Sunday and he Davend. The next day he returned to Canada.

"A few days later, I called him to find out if anything improved after his visit to the Rebbe's Ohel. He answered, 'You will not believe this, you called just as my wife and I reached home, after our day in court! Let me have my wife tell you all about it.' His wife got on the phone to explain.

"They were brought to court over an eviction case. They had not been able to pay taxes and were about to lose their home. They tried pleading for an easier payment term, to make payment plans...but the government refused. The day I called him was the last day of their hearing where the judge was expected to give the final verdict.

"Well, my friend was running late and asked his wife to go ahead of him, and he would meet her shortly in court. When he got there, he noticed his wife was trying to tell him something, speaking so fast, 'Talk to our lawyer! Go! He'll tell you what happened!'

"My friend hurried to his lawyer to hear what his wife was so excited about. The lawyer told him that his case was canceled, annulled, without any explanations! He no longer owed any taxes and he could keep his home! His wife was so shocked and euphoric by this sudden turn of events, this, after such a long period of terrible anxiety, thinking she would lose her house.

"Then, the cherry on top. My friend's son, who lives in Europe, called home. He had a strange illness for awhile. He called to tell his parents that all of the sudden, he felt better as if he never experienced his illness in the first place. They were just overjoyed by all these blessings! Like I said, the Rebbe is making miracles happen these days!"

How amazing it was for me to see that non-Jews also recognize and experience that the Rebbe is with us...it's up to us to do our part!





## A Short Dvar Torah Levi Schmerling



It says in this weeks Parsha: והבשר אשר יגע בכל טמא לא יאכל ישרף, the meat which comes into contact anything אם, the meat which comes into contact anything אם should not be eaten. It should be burned in fire. This referes to all קדשים that becomes אטט, must be burned. This מצוה isn't understood: we are speaking about קדשים, it's called that because it was made הייליג for 'ה, so how does it make sense that 'ה Himself should tell us to burn His קדשים? Even if it can't be eaten, why should you have to burn it?

One of the explanations is: if the meat wouldn't be burned it's possible that another איז would find it and eat it, not knowing that it's טמא, so to protect another איד from doing an עבירה, Hashem gave us this מצוה to burn the קדשים that become אטט.

This sets an example for us to what lengths we need to go to protect another איד from doing an עבירה. This is where we see how precious the מצוות of אידן is to 'ח, to the extent that to protect a איד from doing an עבירה, even unintentionally, He gave us the מצוה to burn קדשים that become אטמא.

## The Weekly Shmooze By Mendel Labkowski

Where do you live? Needham, Massachusetts.

What are some of the Classes that you family does?

My father teaches Tanya, Gemara. Sometimes to a few people, and sometimes one on one.

So tell me a bit about your chabad house.
We have a Minyan almost every week, and have some other programs, like kids in the kitchen, lunch n' learn, challah bakes, and more.

### This Week With: Yoel Tzemach krinsky



What is your favorite part of being on Shlichus?
Doing Yom Tov
Mivtzoim.

What are some of the challenges you face on shlichus?

Not being able to have a big group of Frum friends to play with.

What are some things you like about Online school?

The fact that it ends at 3:15 much earlier then my old school, and that the tests are online.



## FUN PAGE!

By Mendel Labkowski

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#### ANSWERS TO VAYIKRA RIDDLES

Riddle 1 - A Cloud

Riddle 2 - A canvas. A blank canvas is worthless until it becomes a painting!

**Riddle 3 - 125** 

## Send your fun page submissions and answers to SosWeekly5780@gmail.com

Riddle #1

I am taken from a mine, and shut up in a wooden case, from which I am never released, and yet I am used by almost everybody. What am

Riddle #2

Can you name three consecutive days without using the words Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday, Saturday, or Sunday?

Riddle #3

What runs around the whole yard without moving?



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Something that you have to avoid in most countries on the world is totally acceptable in China. Just like in Vietnam, spitting, yawning, grunting and burping are normal behaviours when you eat in China.

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China is the most populated country in the world (with more than a billion people in 2016). Here's what it REALLY means:

- Population of China is 4 Times of
- One of every 5 people, are Chinese. • 14% of people in the world speak

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and the US.

Contrary to most people think, China

world. It's 4th after Russia, Canada,

is not the biggest country in the

China is the only country in the world where the reproduction is limited. Until 2015, Chinese couples could have only 1 child. For more than a year now, they can have 2 children.

#### US.

Chinese.

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China is a huge country with only one time zone! That's why in some places the sun rises even at 10:00 AM. In the past China has 5 different time zones. But in 1949 the Communist Party leaders decided to set one time for the whole country. Since then, everybody is using an official Beijing time.

## You Probably Didn't Know About:

# China

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Even Today, many of the Chinese still live in caves. These cave dwellings are called yaodongs. 30,000,000 cave-dwellers live in these dwellings which is more than the entire population of Australia.

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While training new soldiers to always keep their chins up, a small, but very sharp pin is placed facing upwards through their collars.



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The longest traffic jam in history, which lasted 12 days over 62 miles was in Shanghai



Smartphone addicts have been given

their own walking lane so as not to

bump into normal walking

pedestrians

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China's air pollution is so terrible that it travels across the Pacific and pollutes San Francisco, contributing to more than a third of the city's air pollution. If you breathed freely in Beijing for one day, it would be the equivalent of smoking 21 cigarettes



