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*An overview of Yud-Aleph Nissan with
the Rebbe throughout the years*





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The first two sections of this magazine went through the evolution of the Yud-Aleph Nissan celebrations—from the Rebbe’s birth in 5662, to the milestone celebrations marked publicly with great fanfare. Although every year’s Yud-Aleph Nissan events were undoubtedly special and deserve to be described in detail, due to space constraints, it is impossible to describe each year’s celebrations in full. Instead, in the following pages we present an overview of the central Yud-Aleph Nissan themes throughout the years.*

TIME

DAYS BEFORE

Another annual reference to Yud-Aleph Nissan was the *michtav kloli* released for Pesach, bearing the date “Yud-Aleph Nissan.”

Each year, the days prior to Yud-Aleph Nissan each year were accompanied by a special aura of preparation and excitement, as Chassidim readied themselves for this day. During this time, reports from all over would arrive in 770 with details of the preparations and *matanos*.

Beginning in 5730*, in these days a *niggun* on the *pesukim* of the Rebbe’s new *kapitel* would be chosen.

In the days preceding Yud-Aleph Nissan, as well as the days after, the Rebbe would usually explain part of his new (and old) *kapitel* in *sichos* and *maamarim*, as well as in the footnotes of the *michtav kloli*. In the years before 5732*, (before the advent of the yearly Yud-Aleph Nissan farbrengens), these explanations on the *kapitel* were the only public reference the Rebbe made to his birthday.

As Yud-Aleph Nissan came closer, guests would flock to 770 to spend this special day with the Rebbe.

LINE

LEIL YUD- ALEPH NISSAN

In the years after 5738*, as a precaution to the Rebbe's health, the Rebbe would not farbreng on a day he visited the Ohel. Accordingly, in the years 5739* through 5745* the Yud-Aleph Nissan farbrengens took place on this night. (In the year 5738* itself the Rebbe did not visit the Ohel on Yud-Aleph Nissan, and thus farbrenged the next night).

After the Rebbe returned from the Ohel, he would daven Mincha, and in some years the *bracha* from the Chassidim would follow.

Most years, the Rebbe would go to the Ohel on Yud-Aleph Nissan. In the years the Rebbe did not go on Yud-Aleph Nissan itself, he would go either the day before or after¹.

Beginning in the 5730s*, the day of Yud-Aleph Nissan was usually spent doing *mitzvoim*². In the years that the Yud-Aleph Nissan farbrengen took place today, as the hours ticked by 770 would begin to fill with thousands of people, in anticipation of the Rebbe's farbrengen.

In some years (mostly the later years) a delegation of elder Chassidim would wait outside the Rebbe's room after Maariv to give the Rebbe the annual Yud-Aleph Nissan *bracha*. In other years, this event would take place after Mincha on the day of Yud-Aleph Nissan.

In the years before the *histalkus* of Rebbetzin Chana in 5725*, a farbrengen would sometimes be held in her apartment on Yud-Aleph Nissan, with her participation and the attendance of a few elder Chassidim.

YUD- ALEPH NISSAN DAY

During many years, before the Rebbe walked into Maariv on the eve of Yud-Aleph Nissan, Chassidim would burst into the new *niggun* composed on the Rebbe's new *kapitel*. The Rebbe would enter the shul to the thunderous and joyous singing of the Chassidim, at times encouraging the singing with a swing of his hand.

In the years 5732*-5738* (as well as 5722*) the Yud-Aleph Nissan farbrengen would be held later tonight.

*📅 5732-1972, 5738-1978, 5722-1962, 5725-1965, 5730S-1970S, 5738-1978, 5739-1979, 5745-1985