

מוקדש לחיזוק ההתקשרות ל**כ"ק אדמו"ר** בקשר עם יום הבהיר **י"א ניסן** 

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## Try Again and Again

AS TOLD BY RABBI DOVID STOLER (BUENOS AIRES, ARGENTINA)

As part of our shlichus we run the Hillel School in the Villa del Parque neighborhood of Buenos Aires. The students all come from not-frum homes and since it is a middle/lower class neighborhood, most families do not pay full tuition. Some come on full scholarships and I need to fundraise close to 60% of the annual budget.

The Argentinian economy has been very bad for several years and in Adar 5779\* the financial situation of the school was terrible. Balei Batim stopped answering my phone calls, refusing to meet with me and it seemed that we would need to close the school inevitably.

Before Yud Shevat I had traveled to the Rebbe on 8 Shevat for several hours specifically to come to the Ohel and daven for the success of the school, which already then was in bad financial straits.

I returned from the Ohel uplifted, confident that everything will work out with the Rebbe's brachos and we will succeed in keeping the school running, but a month later things were only getting worse, and I started to despair.

One day in Adar, as I was thinking about the situation I received a WhatsApp notification about the daily JEM





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NEW YORK SENATOR PATRICK MOYNIHAN AT SUNDAY DOLLARS, 21 ADAR 5750.

video. Admittedly I don't watch the videos every day since they come to my phone in the middle of the day and I am usually too preoccupied to concentrate even on the short video. But that day I tapped on the notification and watched the video.

It was an excerpt from Dollars on 21 Adar 5750\*. New York Senator Patrick Moynahan came to greet the Rebbe and presented the Rebbe a two hundred year old Sefer Tikun Chatzos he received at an ancient shul in Marrakesh. Morocco.

The Rebbe thanked him for the sefer and said: "You certainly know that the people of your country are famous for their insistence in everything that they want. May G-d A-lmighty bless you to be successful in being insistent for the benefit of the entire population of New York and the population of the United States."

After discussing the senator's 63rd birthday the Rebbe continued, "Insist on your activities, with the famous insistence of your country."

Although I am a shliach in Buenos Aires I was born in Tucuman, Argentina and Tucuman locals are famous in Argentina for their stubbornness to make things work. If something doesn't work out the first time they keep at it until they succeed.

When I heard the Rebbe's words I took it as a message directly to me that I should not despair if donors are not answering the phones. I decided that come what may, I will continue calling and calling until things start to work out.

I threw myself into the work with renewed energy and resolve and Baruch Hashem over the next few weeks large donations were coming in and the financial disaster was behind us.

A few days before Yud-Alef Nissan I wanted to travel to the Ohel to thank the Rebbe for the many brachos I

had just experienced and I contacted a travel agent to book a flight for a short trip to New York. Right before confirming the purchase I thought to myself that there is so much work before Pesach in preparing for the sedarim, the model sedarim for the school and ensuring the mivtza matzah happens with the proper shturem, and it would be inappropriate for me to leave for even a day.

After canceling the trip I thought to myself that מחשבה and hopefully just the fact that I had the serious consideration and desire to be by the Rebbe for Yud-Alef Nissan will be counted as if I was actually there.

Yud-Alef Nissan in the morning I was folding my tallis in shul when I noticed the Spanish Derher that had just been published for the month of Nissan. When I opened it to the ksav yad column, I was shocked with what I saw.

It was a response to someone who had been by the Rebbe for Yud-Alef Nissan 5732:

ת"ח על הקורת רוח וכו' מביקורו כאן בימים אלו. ויה"ר שיהא ג"כ לתועלת הרבים (נוסף על שכל יחיד -עולם מלא הוא).

אזכיר עה"צ להנ"ל ולחה"פ כשר ושמח.

Many thanks for the pleasure etc. of your visit here during these days. May it be [Hashem's] will that this will benefit the community (in addition to the fact that every individual - is an entire world). I will mention you at the tziyun for the above and for a kosher and joyous Pesach. 1

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