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Miracle on Chanukah

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Several years ago, Tzach in Eretz Yisroel launched a program called "Pe' ilei Chabad," encouraging *anash* to get involved in "*bikurei bayis*," visiting families at home during Yomim Tovim to do *mitvoim* and the like. I was happy to facilitate this program in our *makom hashlichus* and my wife and I committed to visiting homes of Yidden that were currently unaffiliated with our Beis Chabad.

One evening during Chanukah of 5774, my children and I walked around the neighborhood visiting new families. We knocked on the door of the Chashai family home and were invited in. I explained the purpose of our visit

and after lighting the menorah we discussed the story of Chanukah and its contemporary lessons.

After some discussion, Mrs. Chashai turned to me and asked, "Rabbi, is it possible to experience miracles today?"

"Definitely!" I responded. "In every generation there are special *tzadikim* that serve as Hashem's agents to bring salvation to *klal Yisroel*. In our generation the Rebbe continues to intercede on behalf of every Yid, and countless Yidden have experienced miracles as a result."

Mrs. Chashai pointed to her friend, Mrs. Meshulam, who was visiting at the time. "She and her husband have

been married for many years and have tried to have children with no success.”

“We tried everything,” Mrs. Meshulam continued. “The best doctors and all the treatments. We are desperate.”

She explained to me how over the years she and her husband had tried all different types of doctors and many different treatments, but nothing had worked. Now she was also getting older and it seemed like the chances to have a child of her own were running out. “What can be done?” she asked. “Can you please pray for us?”

I wrote down her name and her husband’s name and assured her that I would see to it that their request be brought to the Ohel.

Upon returning home later that night, I called the *bochurim* manning the “desk” at the Ohel and requested that they write a *tzetzet* describing the *bikur bayis* with the Chashai family and the request for a *bracha* for children for the Meshulam family. I also filled out the *duch* of Peilei Chabad and concluded “מחכים לנסים—we anticipate miracles.”

In preparation for Shavuos I touched base with my new friends from the *bikur bayis* to schedule a home visit. When I called David Chashai he exclaimed excitedly, “Rabbi! We are waiting for you! Come at your earliest convenience!”

When I arrived at their home, I was surprised to see Mrs. Meshulam and her husband there as well. They excitedly shared the good news that they just discovered that they are expecting a child!

On the eve of 30 Kislev 5775, during the car-top menorah parade, I received a phone call from David Chashai. “Mazal tov! Einat Meshulam gave birth to a healthy baby boy!”

I was overjoyed with the news and assured him I would participate in the *bris* the next week.

That night I leafed through the *duchos* from the previous Chanukah and when I reached the *duch* of the visit at the Chashai home my body trembled with emotion. The date of that fateful visit was 30 Kislev! **T**

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