

אגרת מכ"ק אדמו"ר נשיא דורנו אל המשתתפים בהגיה השנתית של ישיבת
אחי תמימים ליובאוויטש בבוסטון - שזקיננו הרב קמל' ד"ה מנהל.

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By the Grace of G-d
1st Day of Weekly Portion
Vayechi, 5725
Brooklyn, N. Y.

To the Participants in the
Annual Celebration of the
Lubavitcher Yeshiva "Achei Tmimim",
Boston, Mass.

G-d Bless you All -

Greeting and Blessing:

On the occasion of the forthcoming Annual Banquet of the Yeshiva,
I extend greetings and blessings to all participants. May G-d
grant that this event should be successful in the fullest degree
in all respects, financially and otherwise.

This year's Annual Banquet will take place within days of the
Yahrzeit of my father-in-law of saintly memory, who transplanted
the Lubavitcher Yeshivoh on the American soil 25 years ago. The
Boston Lubavitz Yeshiva is part of this great network of Yeshivoh,
which have contributed so much to the revitalization of Torah-
true Yiddishkeit in America.

It will be appropriate to recall here a profound insight into the
significance of Yeshivoh, which my father-in-law of saintly
memory gave us; an insight which stems from the Old Rebbe, founder
of Chabad: When the Rebbe the Tzemach Tzedek was a small boy,
learning Chumash, he came home from Cheder one day and asked his
grand-father, the Old Rebbe, to explain to him a certain passage
in Chumash. It concerned the beginning of Vayechi (the portion
of our current week), which states "And Jacob lived in the land
of Egypt seventeen years". On the basis of the interpretation of
the Baal Haturim, his Chumash teacher explained that these seven-
teen years were the best years of Jacob's life. The little boy
then asked his grand-father, "How is it possible that Jacob should
enjoy the best years of his life in a place like Egypt, which was
a land of spiritual depravity, immorality and inhumanity?" In reply,
the Old Rebbe referred to Gen. 46:28 in the previous portion
(Vayigash) where the Torah indicates that before going down to
Egypt, Jacob sent ~~messengers~~ to establish a Yeshiva there. Thus, the Old
Rebbe explained, where there is a Yeshiva, it is possible to make
life worthwhile and happy even in a country like Egypt.

Throughout the ages our people has lived in various countries of
exile. But wherever they went a Yeshiva was among the first things



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they established, and this gave them the strength to resist the forces of assimilation, and to live their own happy Jewish life, unsoiled and unspoiled by the surrounding undesirable influences.

I trust that everyone in the Boston community will know how to cherish this vital institution in their midst, and will take advantage of the Annual Banquet to express their appreciation in practical deeds, for the support and expansion of the Boston Lubavitz Yeshiva.

With the blessing of success,
materially and spiritually *M. Schwartz*

