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Greeting and Blessing:

Your letter of Jan. 27th reached me with considerable delay. As requested, I will remember you in prayer for the fulfillment of your heart's desires for good.

Judging by your writing, there is surely no need to emphasize to you at length that there is always room for advancement in all matters of goodness and holiness, Torah and Mitzvoth, which, though a must for their own sake, are the channels to receive G-d's blessings. Hence, every additional effort in this direction widens the channels for G-d's blessings in all needs.

As we are now coming from Purim, when the Jews renewed their commitment to the Torah and Mitzvoth, for themselves and their children for all times, which is also why they merited the Divine miracles that brought about a complete reversal for them from sadness to gladness - this is a good time for all of us to strengthen our commitment to Yiddishkeit. And just as for the Jews of Persia there was "Light, joy, gladness and honor" - both in the ordinary sense as well as in the deeper sense of "Light - this is Torah...Honor - this is Tefillin," we can be sure that by following in their footsteps "So it will be also for us."

May G-d grant that you should have good news to report in all above.

With blessing,

M. Schneerson