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By the Grace of G-d
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Greeting and Blessing:

On the occasion of the forthcoming Yom-Tov Pesach, I send you my prayerful wishes that the Festival of Our Freedom bring you and yours true freedom, freedom from anxiety material and spiritual, from anything which might distract from serving G-d wholeheartedly and with joy, and to carry over this freedom and joy into the whole year.

Wishing you and yours a kosher and happy Pesach,

Cordially *M. Schneerson*

P. S.

Your letters were duly received.

Brochos at Work

I often write to the Rebbe, mentioning my patients (never by name, just by first name or Hebrew name and mother's Hebrew name (if I can get it and if they are Jewish) . . . never in any detail . . . to preserve confidentiality, etc.). I have seen such real improvements in people's health that I felt quite guilty taking any credit.

I will tell of a few:

I faxed the Rebbe (after the Rebbe had suffered a stroke) about a certain man who had a court case where he was accused of something rather nasty and I had to appear in court to speak for him as a clinical

psychologist. Following his arrest, he had attempted suicide in prison and been brought to the Johannesburg Hospital where I work.

It was such a strange accusation that there was no way he could have been guilty. Both the advocate and the attorney said that they would have to put in a plea of guilty because it looked so bad. Everyone was very upset about this mess.

The lawyers suggested that they should introduce me to the public prosecutor before the case. We headed for his office. Shortly after I had been introduced, the public prosecutor asked everyone to leave the room except Ruth Benjamin. He wanted to talk to