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Re: We gotta get more people on to gye! Posted by iLoveHashem247 - 02 Nov 2022 20:26

I actually found out about it after I put another filter on my work phone which is a smart phone, I needed to feed my addiction for entertainment and the only website I really had access to was yeshiva world news (Which I usually stay away from for reasons that I do not believe a relevant to this forum)

there was a GYE ad there, I clicked it, and the rest is history

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Re: We gotta get more people on to gye! Posted by chancy - 02 Nov 2022 20:31

100% agree!

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I had the same question recently.

I would donate for advertisements and im sure so will lots of other people here.

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Re: We gotta get more people on to gye! Posted by chizuk613613 - 02 Nov 2022 20:33

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No one that's looking for help shouldn't get it like if someone's not looking to get out yet probably won't get helped but the ones that want should be rightly directed.... The truth is H' helps people that are looking find gye like That's how I did but still doesn't mean we shouldn't do our most heshdadlus to help others find out abt it etc.

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Posted by grateful4life - 03 Nov 2022 01:40

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Thx so much for your beautiful response and for your beautiful amazing life saving organization!!!!

I love everything you wrote... but especially the fyi I started to cry reading it... think abt the zichus this giver has???? Wow is he lucky!!! I want to send you a pm that you should send him but I don't have access to my pm... so I'll post it here with less details. Please tell him that I'm a

regular kollel yungerman that learns geshmakah have wife and kids and if not for him I probably wouldn't be frum today r'l...(I can't go in to detail but I'm talking literally)

so if he wants to know if that add paid off he should just think of all the Torah and mitzves I and my kids and rest of my dires will bhy do is all he's zichus... I envy he's gan Eden!!!

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Re: We gotta get more people on to gye! Posted by chizuk613613 - 04 Nov 2022 12:37

If there would be way to help people make sure they've got accountability when they enter stage of life they'll be using internet in some way shape or form that would be amazing. Don't know though how to do on such a mass scale. Not just doing something like webchaver though. What's the shmirah if ones in place where need to use someone else's computer etc, not having their own device with them Would save people from coming onto needing this site in the first place.

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