Poll about finding GYE Posted by Avrohom - 27 Mar 2022 05:44

Once Cord's is running polls (on the BB forum) I've been wanting to ask this for a while - and particularly in light of some of the recent arrivals' stories, I'm trying to figure out how aware people outside of GYE are of GYE's existence and ability to help, and how important it is to increase awareness.

If you have found GYE particularly helpful for your struggles after years of struggling- can you share

1) What held you back from being succesful beforehand - were you a)not aware of GYE and/or how it could help or b) you knew about GYE, but you either weren't ready to join, or it didn't help for other reasons.

2) What do you think would help people who aren't aware of GYE, or who don't think it could help them - more exposure? more understanding of what GYE is? more credibility from respected people? other?

Re: Poll about finding GYE Posted by bisyata dishmaya - 28 Mar 2022 18:22

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I was thinking the same. Secondly, People have a very hard time being honest with themselves and saying "caught in shmutz" will probably turn them off if there a typical struggler Because of course they are never caught in shmutz! Me?! Never!

Re: Poll about finding GYE Posted by Avrohom - 29 Mar 2022 15:40

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I agree with you bs"d - I think we need a find a way to put more info in the ads that make it clear that there are many levels of struggle and GYE is specifically made to provide help, information and support for people at different levels. I too, always assumed GYE is for porn addicts only. At the same time, Shmiras Einayim and Kedusha are vague terms which I think many associate with Hirhurim and Histaklus, and not necessarily to porn and masturbation. For me, "Struggling with Ta'ava" is a more accurate portrayal.

Perhaps an ad that had more information, or if online, an ad that contained a clickable short video explaining what GYE is and who it is for, will be more effective.

Another major help would be for Roshei Yeshiva and Rabbonim to recommend it - perhaps by placing their name on a poster within their Mosdos and communities. I know this is a large hurdle that many would not be ready to do, but if you are close enough with a person of influence who can do that, I think that would accomplish a lot.

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