

Eye.nonymous (Elyah) official count

Posted by Eye.nonymous - 13 Jul 2009 21:08

I'm new to this forum, but not new to this struggle. I signed up to the weekly E-mail lists a few months ago. I often just glance at them, as I'm trying not to spend so much time reading E-mails. But, even with this, I have gotten chizuk through the themes that keep repeating themselves.

I grew up secular, but did Teshuva in college--I came to Yeshiva in Israel and never left. Now I'm married with five children (our oldest is eight and our youngest is a month old).

I was in the habit of staring at girls, I remember even in nursery school. I just liked the way they looked. Things got worse when I was 10 or 11. My sisters had a "facts of life" book with indecent pictures and crooked ideas, and I found it. It described Mast... as a fun thing to do, and so I followed the instructions. I've been stuck ever since.

I was a member of a shul youth group around the age of my bar-mitzvah. The youth group leader gained my trust very early on, and I could discuss anything with him. Luckily, I learned early on that mast... is wrong. I've been fighting it ever since, sometimes more successfully and sometimes less so. I think now I go two or three months clean, and then I tend to trip up a few times close together. I always feel that the yeitzer hara tricked me, and somehow it's strategy was different than last time. Also, I view it as tripping up for one "phase," instead of multiple times. So, I manage not to get too depressed about it, and can pick myself up again pretty quickly.

I would like to be able to stop altogether. But, I am more concerned with controlling my eyes. I feel that it is impossible to walk down the street without taking a look at every woman along the way. I think the trickiest part is that, in my neighborhood, everyone is dressed so tznius that it's hard to feel that I'm really doing anything wrong.

Besides that, I slip up every once in a while with the internet--probably a few times a year. But then, I feel that I was somehow outsmarted again by my Yeitzer. I wasn't looking for indecent pictures... I was just curious about such-and-such an actress... I wasn't expecting to find such indecent pictures...

I see the progress is still very slow on my own, and that's why I decided to become more involved in this forum.

But, I find this is also a challenge. I think my own situation is rather mild, and I find that by seeing other people's stories which are more involved than my own, I end up getting thoughts instead of getting rid of them. Any advice on this point would also be helpful. Thanks.

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Re: Eye.nonymous official count
Posted by the.guard - 22 Feb 2010 21:03

[Eye.nonymous wrote on 22 Feb 2010 16:40:](#)

By the way, I have a particular need, professionally, to be up on the latest news. I need REAL news, silly details, and not just the latest speculations about the global political situation. I don't want to have to keep visiting the CNN site, though. It's got too much stuff that I really would rather not know.

Does anyone know of a plainer and safer option--like a daily text E-mail.

I'd greatly appreciate it.

From the Kosher Isle: www.guardureyes.com/GUE/Time/KosherSites.asp

Kosher News - Instead of reading ABC, CNN, Fox and Reuters about the latest movies, celebrity scandals and gruesome murder cases, go here instead!

www.israelnationalnews.com - (Arutz Sheva)

www.Chareidio.com - News content geared to the needs of the Jewish community worldwide

www.theyeshivaworld.com

www.matzav.com

www.vosizneias.com

www.jewishpress.com

chareidi.shemayisrael.com

www.debka.com - Right Wing website with news from behind the scenes (sign up for their weekly new e-mail)

www.JTA.org - Jewish Telegraphic Agency serves the wider Jewish Community with News and Information

www.Hamercaz.com - News for the greater observant Jewish community

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Re: Eye.nonymous official count

Posted by imtrying25 - 22 Feb 2010 21:30

[dov wrote on 22 Feb 2010 01:05:](#)

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What bizyoinos? You **do** have some anivus! Since when is anivus only for perfect people?
What's to hide? It's gift from Hashem *none* of us deserve.

Of course, Guard has more anivus than all of us, tee hee!

Am I in trouble now?

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Re: Eye.nonymous official count
Posted by Sturggle - 23 Feb 2010 08:11

Eye,

KUTGW!

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Posted by Eye.nonymous - 23 Feb 2010 12:08

[sturggle wrote on 23 Feb 2010 08:11:](#)

Eye,

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When are we getting together next?

I was starting to wonder that myself. It's been a while. IT25 is the official Kumzitz Gabbai.
(He's IT).

So what do you say, IT?

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Re: Eye.nonymous official count
Posted by Eye.nonymous - 23 Feb 2010 12:14

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WARNING: UNRELATED TOPIC:

A friend of mine has been a bit open that he's working on "shmirat einayim." It seems to really be on his mind (somehow I don't think he's involved with p** at all. I'm pretty sure he doesn't have internet access).

I've just printed up a copy of the GYE handbooks for him. I hope to hand them off to him within the next day or two. I think he'll appreciate it.

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Re: Eye.nonymous official count
Posted by sci1977 - 23 Feb 2010 15:07

keep on trucking my friend. what type of news are you looking for?

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Re: Eye.nonymous official count
Posted by Sturggle - 23 Feb 2010 19:55

Eye, that's great that you're spreading what you've learned!

And, in terms of getting together, I think we'd need to find a place.

I'll post something on the kumsitz thread.

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Re: Eye.nonymous official count

Posted by imtrying25 - 24 Feb 2010 12:24

About the kumzitz; im starting to "eye" "it"!!! :D :D :D :D :D :D :D

really would of wanted to work something out for this week but i dont thnk it will happen. maybe some time next week though.

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Re: Eye.nonymous official count

Posted by Eye.nonymous - 24 Feb 2010 12:54

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Re: Eye.nonymous official count

Posted by Momo - 24 Feb 2010 13:48

Kol hakavod Eye for spreading the GYE goodness!

You are marbitz GYE torah!

You inspire so many of us.

GO EYE GO!

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Re: Eye.nonymous official count

Posted by sci1977 - 24 Feb 2010 14:36

Go Eye Go!! If GYE needs a salesman to pitch the idea somewhere I say Guard turns to you.
Not only for doing it, but fdor having the heart to doing it as well.

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I think that www.Chareidio.com and www.debka.com contain world news too.

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WOW!!! Mitzvah goreres mitzvah!!! Schar mitzvah mitzvah!!! Megalgelin zchus al yedai zakkai!!!!

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