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Proposal number two Posted by eerie - 03 Jul 2024 17:46

Talking to a bunch of the chevrah about what we can do to best help the people out there suffering, the following thought evolved.

There are many bachurim, or even yungerleit, who struggle, and they don't have regular access to internet. Maybe they struggle with masturbation, or phone lines, or other unhealthy behaviors. And they also need help.

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rebbe that they can talk to. Among the yungerleit it's even less common. They are uncomfortable, and understandably so. Then, there are many rebbeim that are doing a wonderful job at helping their talmidim. And there are talmidim that wish they had such a rebbe.

Another point

One of the most powerful things in this place is the fact that we all in the same boat, we all understand each other's struggles because we readily admit that we have been there ourselves. And together, we hold hands and soar. Now, how can we offer that to the people that for some reason or other cannot come here regularly?

There are those probably precious few (besides for Muttel's talmidim, that is so, there was a thought of some of the people here together creating an anonymous hotline. A place where people can call to speak to someone that has been in a similar place, a place where a person can get a mentor that really understands him, and can offer him real help. Of course there are many details to work out, like who are the mentors? How are relationships monitored and run a way that will only be helpful? And many more. We would probably have to set up an operating system where people are connected only to mentors not in their hometown, etc.

The hotline could also be a resource for rebbeim etc. looking for tips on how to help their talmidim

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arev wrote on 10 Jul 2024 09:57:	
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e: Proposal number two osted by cande - 11 Jul 2024 01:04	
arev wrote on 10 Jul 2024 09:57:	

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Re: Proposal number two Posted by fighterwithfire - 11 Jul 2024 09:35	
iwannalivereal wrote on 03 Jul 2024 20:24:	
iwannalivereal wrote on 03 Jul 2024 20:24: chosemyshem wrote on 03 Jul 2024 19:43:	

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Idk about this hotline idea (not against it, I just don't have thoughts about it. I thought GYE had a hotline at some point, I don't know what happened to it?)

But sounds like someone's been doing some great awareness work already. What's he doing and how can we replicate that outside of BMG?

Motzei Pesach I typed up the following sign and hung it all around BMG.

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I'd like to share my story with you in the hope that others can gain from it...

As a young boy I was unfortunately exposed to the darkest tumah the internet has to offer. I spent many many years struggling, all the while trying to figure out how to break free of the terribly strong grip the yetzer hara had on me. I struggled through my years in mesivta, beis medrash and then as a yungerman here in BMG. This struggle gave me no rest and was a huge weight on my shoulders throughout all those years. Bchasdei Hashem, a few months ago I was zoche to learn the proper way how to deal with this nisayon and I've broken out of this terrible cycle that had been going on for more than 15 years.

If my story sounds at all familiar, you should know that you are not alone. There are unfortunately many chashuve bnei torah that I know personally, and probably many more that I don't know about, that struggle with these invanim.

You should also know that it is quite possible to break free. The same way I did, you can as well.

I then left my google voice number and email to allow people to reach out to me if they'd want. The signs got ripped down kinda quick... so, I hung up some more... eventually they all came down but not before 18 people reached out to me. Some by text, some by email, and some by phone. Motzei Shabbos before Rosh Chodesh Sivan I hung up another bunch of signs. By now they have all come down but this time I was contacted by 23 people. Sent some guys to HHM, a guy to CO, a few to eerie, gave them a nice little shmooz offered to be in touch, or to meet in person if they'd like. Ordered the battle of the generation book for a few guys...

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Almost none of them ever heard of GYE, most don't have constant internet access at all. All thought they were the only guy in BMG struggling, all thought they were the worst reshaim and losers since dor hamabul, and all thought they'd never break out.

Late to the ?????, but...this exact sign was in the Mir (outside the -1 dining room and in the elevator) a couple of days ago.

I saw it and beamed. And now I know which ???? it originated from.

IWLR, you're unbelievable. Klal Yisroel should continue to be Zoche to have such fighters!!!

On a related note, reading through some of the posts here relating to the unfortunately all-too-common attitude of "let's avoid this subject" that is present in so many places. Sadly, yes, this unspoken sentiment is present in many ?????? and communities in Frum society. And let me be frank: it's horrific that such an attitude exists, for many reasons, but mainly because (as IWLR noted himself) so, SO MANY people struggle with this (given the insanity of today's world combined with how easy it is to access), and as a result of the "let's pretend this issue is nonexistent" attitude feel like they are the worst ????? to ever walk the face of this Earth, and therefore, there is no hope for somebody as "evil" as them, they're a lost cause. [It's exactly how I felt when I found myself plumbing the depths of this hell for almost 5 years as a Bochur.]

I still remember how much convincing it took (thank you HHM) for me to realize how common and normal the fight is. Pretending the issue doesn't exist (or worse, admitting that it does but insisting that it shouldn't be spoken about and addressed) is stupidity beyond words-it destroys those currently struggling, and makes it so much harder for them to seek help and break free.

B"H for fighters like HHM, IWLR, and so many others who help Klal Yisroel rise above all of thi Kain Yirbu!!
Keep fighting brothers!!!
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Re: Proposal number two Posted by chosemyshem - 11 Jul 2024 13:29
@parev any responses from your sign?

Re: Proposal number two Posted by proudyungerman - 11 Jul 2024 17:38
chosemyshem wrote on 11 Jul 2024 13:29:
@parev any responses from your sign?
If I understood correctly, parev just posted IWLR's letter in the Mir (as was referenced by fighterwithfire)
But, IWLR, any responses from the Holy Land?
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Re: Proposal number two Posted by eerie - 11 Jul 2024 18:21
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Re: Proposal number two Posted by eerie - 11 Jul 2024 18:31
Caller-number-38-from-the-sign had a good point. We should make the number easy to remember, so that a guy walking by can take a quick glance and have the number. I plan beH to get the number to more than just signs in BMG, but it's a good point
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Posted by BenHashemBH - 11 Jul 2024 18:32

Incredible. BH I can try reaching out to leading Rabbonim in my community and see if they will endorse advertising in the local shuls / Yeshiva once it's ready.

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Re: Proposal number two

Posted by yiftach - 11 Jul 2024 18:47

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Re: Proposal number two

Posted by parev - 11 Jul 2024 22:06

First response from the sign in the Mir!

Just received an email

I was exposed to pornography a few months ago but all my high school years I struggled with masturbation and shemiras einayim. Now I am learning in the holy land and thank God I am not a current watcher of pornography. What I do find challenging is walking down the streets over here full of God's beautiful human beings and I find myself scaring walking and then masturbating. Do you have any good ideas. Hearing not to go out at all will not be for me but do you have any other practical ideas?

What would You guys respond?

Generated: 13 September, 2025, 13:05 Re: Proposal number two Posted by vehkam - 11 Jul 2024 22:10 Listen to the daily vayimaen if possible Try to read the Battle of the Generation Re: Proposal number two Posted by cande - 11 Jul 2024 22:30 parev wrote on 11 Jul 2024 22:06: First response from the sign in the Mir! Just received an email I was exposed to pornography a few months ago but all my high school years I struggled with masturbation and shemiras einayim. Now I am learning in the holy land and thank God I am not a current watcher of pornography. What I do find challenging is walking down the streets over here full of God's beautiful human beings and I find myself scaring walking and then masturbating. Do you have any good ideas. Hearing not to go out at all will not be for me but do you have any other practical ideas? What would You guys respond? That, i dont suffer with oogling, or staring @ bikini, so maybe check out......GYE.

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Re: Proposal number two Posted by BenHashemBH - 11 Jul 2024 22:34
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What would You guys respond?
Amazing!Suggest GYE where they can connect and get support that suits them?
In the nicest way Parev, I don't think it would be a good idea for you to volunteer yourself as the main contact for guiding someone right now.
Continued Hatzlacha!!!

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BenHashemBH wrote:

In the nicest way Parev, I don't think it would be a good idea for you to volunteer yourself as the main contact for guiding someone right now.

I think it is clear that this initiative is to make awareness that there is a solution and **then refer on** to the appropriate place, GYE, SA, HHM, Eerie, etc.

People asked to the nusach of the sign and as mentioned I simply copy pasted IWLR's nusach even though it doesn't correctly reflect my story as it was a nusach that seemed to produce results

IWLR didn't share his number or email address so I had to put on my own,

If someone agrees to share their contact details [it could be an israeli number will be more effective] I'd love to step aside.

[and actually I would be more comfortable posting signs when its not my number - as then i'm just doing a chessed if i get caught...]

Maybe once this hotline thing is set up then the best way to advertise it would be with a simple nussach like IWLR did -

its most personal and doesn't sound like a commercial [tarti bmashma]

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