

Zemmy's story

Posted by ZemirosShabbos - 25 Oct 2010 17:37

Would like to formally introduce myself here, even though it is a little late in the game.

I am married with a couple of kids b"h. ever since i started working on computers i would periodically seek out p***. first with a dial-up connection, then later with hi-speed internet. for days i would zone out at work, doing the bare minimum, making sure no one saw my dark secret, and feeling all the time that i am probably the only one in my circle of people who has this terrible secret. i would feel bad and try to stop. especially on Yom Kippur i would decide to stop. usually it would last a few weeks but then i would fall back into it. years later i put in a filter and it helped a lot. but only my computer had a filter and even a filter is not fool-proof. i found things that got through the filter. i found opportunities to use other computers. i changed filters. i even shut off the filter at some points.

i found GYE in a round-about way, through a google search for a halacha. i slowly started reading more and more. then i put in k9 and gave the password to the filter gabai (what a zechus Guard and him have!). that helped a lot for the p***. almost a year ago i registered for the forum and posted a little here and there. someone on the forum reached out to me and we became partners (thank you!). that gave me a lot of chizuk. i feel that someone understands my struggle and i spilled the beans about my dark secret. i feel that if i fall ch'v i can holler out to my partner to come dig me out. that is a great feeling. like wearing a life-jacket on a boat or a parachute on a plane.

since Pesach i am clean. thanks to Hashem and to GYE. i realize that since i did not do the steps or join any phone groups the level of change to my attitudes are not too drastic. i think it is the awareness and constant chizuk provided by the forum and chizuk emails that account for whatever time i was able to stay out of trouble. at least i know that the resources for further change are available if ch'v needed in the future.

i cannot thank Guard enough for putting up this Migdal Oz of kedusha and for showing me and others the way to living clean lives. Same goes to Dov, Bardichev, yechida, Kedusha, Kaneshner (remember him?), ImTrying25, Kollel Guy, RageATM, Briut, Silentbattle, Tried123 and many many others, more recently Ovadia, 1Daat, Frumfiend the Star, Yosef Hatzadik, ur-a-jew, jooboy, world, an honest mouse, HashemsSoldier, JIP and more. Special thanks to 1daat for pushing me (gently) to make my own thread. i read a lot more than i post and every time anyone posts about a victory, a fall, a thought, a struggle it is a chizuk just to see others who struggle and sometimes win and sometimes not and keep on going trucking. of course the lessons learned from the veterans here are precious beyond words.

i chose the name zemiros shabbos because to me shabbos is the day we celebrate our relationship with Hashem and zemiros are one of the most beautiful ways of bring out the spirit of shabbos. it reminds me of what i have at stake in the struggle.

Posted by ben durdayah - 03 Sep 2011 20:45

[ZemirosShabbos wrote on 02 Sep 2011 14:11:](#)

EBD, drink a maltstar for me, willya?

I wouldn't drink a malt-star even for you Zemmy.

But since I read this Motzei Shabbos, I will have had you in mind LMaFRE'ah at the Maccabee nuchin Chulint today... I'm just afraid that it won't be chal le'mafreah...

So I'll just have a beer le'kuved the Simchah...

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Re: Zemmy's story

Posted by the.guard - 04 Sep 2011 11:19

Mazal Tov!

Tizke Legadlo leTorah, LeChupah U'lemaasim Tovim!

May your son be a continuation of the beautiful zemmiros to Hashem that you are making with your journey to purity!

P.S. If you're in Israel, I would be honored to be sandek :D

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Re: Zemmy's story

Posted by Blind Beggar - 05 Sep 2011 05:59

Mazal Tov, Zemiros Shabbos.

Tizke legadlo letorah, lechupah ulemaasim tovim.

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Re: Zemmy's story

Posted by Back on Track - 05 Sep 2011 12:59

Hey zem.... How's the little tzadik dooing?

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Re: Zemmy's story

Posted by alexeliezer - 05 Sep 2011 14:22

Zemmy,

Mazal Tov!

May the RBS"O have nachas from him and your whole family.

Alex

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Re: Zemmy's story

Posted by bardichev - 05 Sep 2011 15:58

im gonna be by the vacht nacht

zemmy where do u live???????

is it close to bardstown

my cessna is sitting in bardstown regional airfield

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Re: Zemmy's story

Posted by ZemirosShabbos - 05 Sep 2011 16:09

rebbe b, would be my honor and pleasure to pour you a glass of Woodfordpimms at the
vachnact

we can sing a Novardok nigun or two

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Re: Zemmy's story

Posted by JackAbbey - 05 Sep 2011 16:17

if all gye members would have a lchaiem, wherever we are

for sure you will feel that we actually participated in your simcha

so lets have a go

lchaim

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Re: Zemmy's story

Posted by bardichev - 05 Sep 2011 16:18

<http://www.fltplan.com/AirportInformation/BRY.htm>

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Re: Zemmy's story

Posted by bardichev - 05 Sep 2011 16:20

<http://www.cityofbardstown.org/dept-airport.html>

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Re: Zemmy's story

Posted by JackAbbey - 05 Sep 2011 16:29

thats awesome!

you actually found a whole town named after you

do you at least get a share of the taxes paid?

enjoy life!

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Re: Zemmy's story

Posted by bardichev - 05 Sep 2011 16:42

got a beer named after me too

http://www.bardsbeer.com/#/greatest_weakness_story/

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