

Sharing The Nachas With Ohr Meir U'Bracha



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Mazal tov! As you celebrate the bar/bat mitzvah of your child, Liora Tedgi and the devoted staff and volunteers of Ohr Meir U'Bracha—the Terror Victims Support Center extend heartfelt wishes for much happiness and nachas upon this milestone event. This is truly a time to rejoice; one you have been planning since first cradling your tiny newborn in your arms not so long ago.

But for the children of victims of terror about to become bar mitzvah, there is little cause for celebration. Through a sudden act of terror, their innocent lives have been forever changed, devoid of childhood dreams. For these youngest victims, a festive celebration and the purchase of a new pair of tefillin is beyond the realm of possibility. Many of these precious youngsters have lost a beloved parent through an act of terror. Others experience the daily trauma of seeing a dear parent, once vibrant and healthy, disabled and incapacitated. With the surviving spouse suddenly transformed into the role of caretaker/sole provider, and the purchase of even basic essentials a daily struggle, there is little a boy can look forward to.

But with your help, these boys can celebrate this milestone event in Jewish life. Ohr Meir U'Bracha offers a variety of exciting options to ensure that each boy can take his place as a proud member of Klal Yisrael. For those families who are considering a celebration in Israel, Ohr Meir U'Bracha presents the perfect opportunity to see and experience Israel and give chesed in its purest form with a beautiful and truly unique bar mitzvah celebration. Customized to meet the celebrant's specifications, this gala event features a variety of amenities, including an authentic Moroccan breakfast, dress in traditional Moroccan attire, music, candle lighting ceremony, and presentation of gift to the bar/bat mitzvah.

As your child becomes a bar/bat mitzvah, he or she will be afforded the wonderful opportunity to join in the tremendous chesed of assembling food baskets—a weekly endeavor at Ohr Meir U'Bracha and one of its signature programs. Every Thursday and prior to each chag, myriad volunteers meet to assemble food baskets which are distributed with the utmost degree of dignity to those in need.

Featured as well is a unique ceremony for the bar mitzvah and hafrashat challah for the bat mitzvah. Joining the celebrants in this momentous occasion will be children of the terror victims, each sharing in the joy and nachas. What a meaningful way to perform a pure mitzvah while experiencing a truly meaningful simcha!

Ohr Meir U'Bracha offers a plethora of chesed project possibilities as well. Consider “twinning”—sponsoring the cost of a bar mitzvah for a child of a terror victim. Perhaps you would like to sponsor the purchase of a pair of new tefillin for a child whose family is suffering as a result of a heinous act of violence.

As our own precious children become increasingly sensitive to chesed and committed to undertaking mitzvah projects as they approach bar/bat mitzvah age, little wonder that many are designating Ohr Meir U'Bracha as the beneficiary of their chesed. It might be the publication and

sale of a cookbook, a bake sale, Chinese Auction, or perhaps a toy drive, with the collected toys sent to Israel to delight the smallest, innocent victims of terror.

The possibilities are endless as to what you can accomplish through your generosity and kindness. For sponsorship opportunities and to obtain further information, please e-mail office@terror-victims.org.il. or call 972-2-582-4630. Tizku l'mitzvos!