Matnat Chaim

Donating Kidneys with Love



"May we be blessed with a happy and sweet New Year"

A new year is an opportunity to pause for a moment, give thanks for the lives we have already been privileged to save, and think of all those who are still waiting for their chance to begin again.

This year, too, we enter the holiday season with the same mission that has guided Matnat Chaim every step of the way: to connect people who are willing to give of themselves and save a life with those for whom a kidney transplant can restore their health, their strength, and their lives.

President's Message
Rachel Heber,
President of Matnat Chaim



Shalom and blessings,

In these days, when our hearts yearn for renewal, we remind ourselves that there is no more beautiful way to begin a new year than through giving.

At Matnat Chaim, we witness time and again the remarkable power of one individual to transform the lives of many through a single act of kindness. Our kidney donors embody a world of mutual responsibility, unconditional love, and faith in the goodness of others.

"And the hand of every person leaves its mark".
(From the Rosh Hashanah prayers)

Every kidney donor has the privilege of leaving an everlasting mark on the world.

As the new year approaches, we look back with wonder at how far we have come. Thank God, more than 200 people were given a new lease on life during the year 5786. But the journey continues, and many patients are still waiting for their miracle.

To enable us to continue saving lives, we need your help.

A financial contribution to Matnat Chaim makes you a true partner in our unique mission.

At this time, when we all pray to be inscribed and sealed for a good year, may we too merit to leave more goodness in the world and expand the circles of giving.

I wish us all abundant success, good health, and good news.

Shanah Tovah U'Metukah, a year of giving that brings more life.

Rachel Heber

Lives Saved, Lives Given

Twenty-four years ago, Yonatan Rom's life was saved in a terrorist attack. Eyal Tam was among those who responded at the scene and stopped the attacker.

Yearspassed,andthisyearYonatan donated a kidney to Reuven Tam, a man he had never met before.



Photo: Beilinson Hospital

Only after the donation, during conversations at the hospital, did the remarkable connection come to light: Reuven is Eyal's brother, the man who helped save Yonatan's life more than two decades earlier.

None of them could have planned for this circle to close in such an extraordinary way. Yonatan did not know who would receive his kidney, and the connection between the two stories was only discovered afterward.

Twenty-four years ago, one brother helped save Yonatan's life. This year, without even knowing it, Yonatan gave another brother a new chance at life.

You can't make this stuff up.

Begin the New Year with the gift of life

Behind every transplant is a long process of medical evaluations, guidance, coordination, and support for donors and their families. To continue connecting donors with patients waiting for a transplant, and to accompany every person who chooses to begin this journey, we need your support too.

A donation to Matnat Chaim enables us to continue advancing altruistic kidney donation, expand the circle of donors, and give more families real hope for a healthier new year.

As Rosh Hashanah approaches, you can choose to begin the year with an act of giving whose impact continues long after the holiday is over.



Pidyon Kapparot

This year, the tradition of Pidyon Kapparot can also become an act of kindness that gives hope.

Your donation to Matnat Chaim helps us continue supporting kidney donors, reach new potential donors, and connect those who wish to give the gift of life with those waiting for a transplant.

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Netinat Lulav

Again this year, we're going the extra mile to save more lives!
Ahead of Sukkot, you can order a lulav and etrog set through Netinat Lulav, collect it from a pickup point near your home in Israel, and at the same time support the work of Matnat Chaim.

Every order helps us reach more potential kidney donors and continue saving lives in the year ahead.

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a good and sweet New Year, a year of health, giving, and good news.