

# By Day, May the Lord Command His Kindness

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Last week, I felt like I was finally moving forward with a bunch of things that felt “stuck” for quite a while. Have you ever noticed that moving forward in life brings so much excitement happiness? It is one of the best feelings in the world!

So, what things finally came together? First, our second grandchild was born to my daughter last Wednesday and it was a GIRL! The last time we had a girl in this family was 23 years ago when my daughter was born, to be followed by 6 boys. I was

ecstatic for my daughter. She always wanted a sister and hoped and davened for one for many years. Now, she gets to hold a little girl of her own. How exciting for all of us!

Also last week, after four months of not being able to bare weight on my left foot (due to having broken the fifth metatarsal), I finally started walking again! It's not a perfect walk yet and I still have lots of physiotherapy ahead of me, but OMG I can walk! God is good! I swept the floor for the first time in months and walked up the stairs in my house – freedom – LOL! I have to admit I was getting to that point where I thought it would never happen. Yet, here I am, walking better with each day that goes by. Thank you, Hashem!

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Another exciting thing that happened was a meeting I had with an interior decorator. When we moved into this house 4 years ago, we didn't quite get around to doing everything we wanted, and so certain things were left quite half-baked if you know what I mean. For four years. Plus, the paint looks awful and was never amazing to begin with. We did a walkthrough together and discussed paint color and what to do in order to tie all of the loose ends around the house. She had great ideas and we set a date to pick out colors and go shopping together. Phew, what a relief!



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Finally, my 21 year old son started shidduchim last month and I was in charge of writing up his resume. I don't know how but this took me almost three weeks to do. On Monday last week it was DONE. I know – it's kind of funny to feel accomplished about writing up a resume that should not have taken more than twenty minutes to write. I think my broken foot issue has affected my brain – it seems to be working a lot slower these days. Anyway, we can now officially begin the shidduchim parsha with our wonderful son Hillel.

It is so nice to clearly see Hashem's kindness. Of course, Hashem is always bestowing His kindness upon us, but as we read in Tehillim, there are the "day" times when His kindness is more clearly felt by us mortals and then there are the "night" times when we have to hold on to our emuna and know that whatever it is we're going through is also a kindness.

By day, may the Lord command His kindness, and at night, may His resting place be with me, a prayer to the God of my life.  
– Tehilim 42/9

It is good to give thanks to the Lord, and to sing to Your name, O Most High. To declare in the morning Your kindness and Your faith at night. – Tehilim 92/2-3

Are you familiar with the first Tehilim verse above performed by Meilech Kohn? I was singing it to myself all last week. I even danced a little too – woohoo!

Grateful to be busy with good things!