

APRIL 6, 1951

Mrs. Yetta Strongin  
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Dear Yetta,

I need not tell you how elated I was to learn of your imminent trip to Israel and of the chance of seeing you in the very near future. Very few people deserve the privilege of coming to Eretz Israel as much as you do. Your devotion to the cause of Zion, your relentless efforts on behalf of our people and country will surely be gratified by your personal presence here, notwithstanding the difficulties the country is undergoing now in its transition period to independent statehood. I would very much appreciate your letting me know the exact date of your arrival here. This would make it much easier for us to find proper accommodations for you. At any rate, please do not worry regarding this matter for your comfort here is really of great concern to me.

We have heard directly from Prof & Mrs. A. Nasatir from Paris and when they arrive here we shall accord them all courtesies. We plan to send one of our people to meet them at the boat when they arrive to Haifa. We shall certainly welcome them in our midst.

Last week we received a shipment from the States which included the fountain pens which you gifted our children in Kfar Batya. The teachers and madrichim who saw these pens were overjoyed for having the opportunity of gifting these children these pens. We plan to present it to them on the day of the Dedication of the School & Vocational Center in the name of our late leader Rabbi Meyer Bar-Ilan Z"L. This Dedication will take place on May 6th, the day on which Rabbi Berlin Z"L was born.

Sometime ago we received a Chupa Dress from a Mrs. Login (or Sogin) of San-Francisco. Only her name was specified but not her address. It may be possible that you know this woman and we are therefore enclosing a thank-you note to her which you would kindly forward. We gave this dress to the "achnosos kalo" association which will make very good use of it by helping poor and needy girls marry off in style.

I sincerely hope this letter finds you in best health. Wish best wishes for a very happy and kosher Pesach, I remain,

Love,  
*Bessie*  
Mrs. Bessie Gotsfeld