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Letter of Congratulations

Our sages taught us, "By the merit of righteous women, the Israelites were delivered from Egypt, and by their merit they will be delivered."

I was overjoyed to receive news of the moving prayer event for Jewish women carrying the message of redemption and bringing it closer to all. You have been blessed with the privilege of being loyal emissaries of the Jewish nation, and more than anything, of our holy matriarchs. By virtue of their tears and faith, they never stopped teaching children to recite "If I forget you, O Jerusalem, may my right hand lose its cunning". Thus, generation after generation, in glorious palaces and in the darkness of exile, righteous women preserved us.

I wish you much success in your sacred endeavour and call to all Jewish women to participate and encourage others to join. May it be that by merit of this event, we will see the fulfilment of the verse, "Lo, I will send you Elijah the prophet before the coming of the great and awesome day of the Lord, that he may turn the heart of the fathers back through the children, and the heart of the children back through their fathers..." May we merit the revelation of the Divine Presence and a complete redemption, speedily and in our days.

Awaiting redemption and salvation

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