



NEW YORK BOYS CHOIR  
**THE SEQUEL**  
A YITZY BALD PRODUCTION



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## INTRODUCTION

Let me share with you a true story.

America's Got Talent, one of the most famous talent showcases in the world, viewed on T.V. and on the web, in over 146 countries (12 million viewers at any given moment), emailed me a few months ago, that they saw one of our choir performances online and they wanted the New York Boys Choir to perform live on America's Got Talent for the duration of a year.

At first I thought it was a joke. This must be a spam email message. NYBC..... an orthodox Jewish choir, to perform in front of the world, and to be viewed by millions of people live, on many consecutive AGT shows, and over a period of a year's time.

When I called the phone number, I realized it wasn't a joke. Carter Palmer, the recruiter for AGT was dead serious. She saw us online and wanted us, a firm orthodox choir, to join AGT, and inspire the world.....There was one catch...we needed to perform clean cut secular songs like (you fill in the blank)!

I said, "Carter, we are an Orthodox Jewish choir. I don't see the parents, or the schools that they are coming from, going for the idea of their children singing secular songs, on live T.V. and the web. What exactly did you see us perform online?" "Well my producers and I saw your choir perform, sing, and dance to an inspiring hebrew song. And we loved it. However, we know that most of the world does not understand hebrew, so we would need you to perform a popular secular song which people understand."

Realizing that this idea would not exactly fly with myself, the parents, and the schools....etc.... I asked, "Carter, didn't you see any of our thematic Jewish songs online, that are performed in the english vernacular, such as our M-I-R-A-C-L-E song and our KIDS OF COURAGE song?" When she responded in the negative, I told her to look online again and view those two video clips of our choir. A few hours later she emails me back. "Just watched the M-I-R-A-C-L-E and KIDS OF COURAGE video clips. I love it. Your group is so talented. The producer that just watched it with me, was blown away by the boys and their talent. We want you. Should we reserve Feb 20th to meet with your group at location...? After seeing these two video clips in english, we realized, that your thematic Jewish songs are so powerful and inspirational in the english language, we don't need you to perform our secular songs. Yours are great. So, I will be happy to make anything work, so that you guys can come down. Furthermore, I will be as helpful as I can, to accomodate your group, vis-a-vis, the religious needs of your choir."

Wow!

I literally started to shake, realizing that this wasn't an empty offer but a real legit thing. After consulting with three respected Da'as Torah on the issue, the answer was not so black and white. There were many pros and cons, on the table, so to speak. They all agreed, that while it could be such a great, unique, and tremendous kiddush hashem for the world to see orthodox Jewish children, performing inspiring and thematic Jewish music that could put the Jewish people in such good light, and at the same time inspire the secular world, it would be best to decline the offer "for now" as some of the cons might outweigh the pros.

Well.....

We might not have performed on AGT live. But think about it. Look how powerful and inspirational our music.....Jewish music.....is. Even the world recognizes its purity, inspiration, and wants it!

On that note, I'd like to say, that after receiving so many great reviews on our first release, New York Boys Choir: Volume One, and with the many opportunities that the choir had, to inspire the crowds at their various performances, across the world, live, and via the web, b'ill ayin hora, we are so pumped, proud, excited, and honored once again, to present you with this much awaited, second release, entitled **New York Boys Choir: The Sequel**.

I hope you enjoy the album as much as I enjoyed producing it!

*Yitzchak Ball*



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To my dear mother, **רבקה בת ר' שמואל הלוי ע"ה** When will I be zoiche to see you alive and well again, together with Moshiach Tzidkeinu? It's seventeen years since I last saw you...but your inspiration lives on in me forever. I miss you so much.....*Love Yitzy*

To our dear mother & mother-in-law, **הינדא בת מאיר ע"ה** Losing you just over a year ago was a shock to us. Everyone loved you. There is no way that you or your love of family, relatives, friends, children, and strangers (yidden or not), can ever, ever, be replaced. You were the epitome of רוסד גרידה מביקום אידן. The pain of your loss is still so fresh. Plain and simply put....we want you back now! At this point, all we can do is try to emulate your love of Hashem, your love of all people, your kindness, your patience, your determination, and your endless desire to be a helper to everyone in need. We miss you dearly and can't wait to see you again very soon, beyemos HaMashiach. *Love Yitzy & Nava*

To our dear uncle **Moishe Kushner**, **Uncle Moishe**. We miss you dearly. Less than a year ago you were smiling at us and now we are left with your memory. You were and are a tremendous inspiration to us all. As a devoted husband & father, you made a loving impression. As a rav in the CRC, you helped untold numbers of yidden in the area of kashrus and many other special needs. As mohel, you reached out to the unaffiliated Jews to give them meaning and purpose in their lives. As a director in Camp Moshava, you made your mark by inspiring myriads of Jewish children to love their yiddishkeit. You were a walking and breathing Sefer Torah. As an uncle, we felt your love all the time. We can never thank you enough for what you did and who you were to us! *Love Yitzy & Nava*

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# 1 GAN EDEN



**VERSE**  
 ש ש שמח שמח או תשמח או רעים רעים האהובים  
 כשמחך כשמח יצירך או בגן עדן או מקדם

**BRIDGE**  
 כשמחך יצירך בגן עדן או מקדם גן עדן גן עדן מקדם (2x)

**CHORUS**  
 גן גן גן גן עדן מקדם גן גן גן עדן גן עדן  
 גן גן גן גן עדן מקדם גן גן גן גן גן עדן גן עדן

Gladden the beloved companions as you gladdened your creature in the Garden of Eden from aforetime.

Lyrics from one of the Sheva Brochos, with a twist of Yitzzy Bald.

**SOLOISTS:** Aaron Simcha Futerman, Dovid Moskovits, Gavriel Shimonovich



# 2 SHANANANA

feat. Michael Pruzansky

**VERSE 1**  
 Who who who can you think of,  
 He stands by your side and shows you his deep love,  
 Gives of his heart now, gives of his soul,  
 Gives of his life for us to grow...(2x)

**CHORUS**  
 שע נא נא נא הושע נא נא נא נא מי מי כעמך ישראל  
 שע נא נא נא הושע נא נא נא נא גוי אחד בארץ

**VERSE 2**  
 מי כ עמך ישראל גוי גוי אחד או אחד בארץ  
 מי מי כעמך עמך ישראל גוי אחד בארץ (2x)

**CHORUS**  
 שע נא נא נא הושע נא נא נא נא מי מי כעמך ישראל  
 שע נא נא נא הושע נא נא נא נא גוי אחד בארץ

Please save. Who is like your nation Yisroel (who emulates you Hashem by always trying to save and help others with all their heart)?

Lyrics by Yitzzy Bald. Phrases borrowed from Shabbos Mincha Shmoneh Esrei, & Tefillas Hoshana on Sukkos. This song depicts how the Jewish people are always looking for ways to help one another with all their heart!

**SOLOISTS:** Eli Deutsch, Aaron Simcha Futerman, Shmuel Jacobs, Dovid Moskovits, Yosef Boruch Sfatlas



### 3 NESHOMA



נְשָׁמָה טְהוֹרָה נָתַתְּ בִּי וְרוּחַ נְכוֹן חֲדָשׁ בְּקִרְבִּי **VERSE**  
חֲזָרְתָּ נְשָׁמָתִי בְּחַמְלָה אוּ בְּחַמְלָה רַבָּה אֲמוּנָתְךָ

אוּ לֵב אוּ לֵב טְהוֹר בְּרָא לִי אֱלֹקִים בְּרָא בְרָא לִי אֱלֹקִים **CHORUS**  
וְרוּחַ קְדוֹשׁ וְרוּחַ קְדוֹשׁ בְּרָא בְרָא לִי אֱלֹקִים

A pure soul you gave me and a steadfast spirit renew within me. You have returned my soul with mercy, great is your faithfulness.  
Create for me a pure heart, Hashem, (and) you have created for me a holy spirit.

Based on two pesukim in Tehillim 51:12-13 and Modeh Ani, that we say each morning, thanking Hashem that he returned our holy neshoma.

**SOLOISTS:** Aaron Simcha Futerman, Shimon Katz, Yosef Boruch Saftlas, Gavriel Shimonovich



### 4 JEW JOY

**VERSE** We await the day, when all the world will know of you,  
They'll see your mighty hand, and say you're one and know its true,  
Throughout our history, we lived in pain and suffering,  
Despite it all we danced, and showed Hashem that we could sing!

**CHORUS** We've got the dance dance feelin', everyone,  
We've got the "Jew Joy" feelin', have some fun,  
We are the chosen nation, Hashem's son,  
So feel the joy and sing along!

Lyrics by Yitzy Bald. I composed this song with the thought, that we, the Jewish people, constantly serve Hashem with joy, despite the painful galus that we find ourselves in. We have this "Jew Joy" feeling inside of us, because we know that we are Hashem's children, and that he loves us, and because we were chosen to deliver his important message to the world.

**SOLOISTS:** Dovid Moskovits, Yosef Boruch Saftlas, Shloimy Shalitzky



## 5 SHOW YOUR FACE

**VERSE** I was there a few years ago by yeshiva,  
Eight candle lights extinguished that night by a wild man...



**BRIDGE** You could hear the screams,  
You could hear the cries,  
No one safe, no one sure,  
All those fearful eyes,  
When that wild man went through the halls of yeshivah....

**CHORUS** Oh G-d in heaven, won't you end this story,  
Feel the pain when I call out to thee,  
Time to show the world your inside glory,  
Don't hide your face so much....come out to me,  
And show your face, and show your face,  
With your warm embrace..... (2x)  
And show your face...



I remember clearly.... I was in Yerushalayim on that fateful night, March 6, 2008. I was spending a few days in Eretz Yisroel for my mother's yahtzeit and Rabbi Gamliel Rabinovich, Shlita, had asked me to play music for a pre-purim mesiba. At the mesiba, I found out the tragic news, that a massacre had just taken place at Yeshivas Mercav HaRav Kook. I and many others, rushed to the scene. It was horrifying. Tens of thousands of people were gathered around the yeshivah, watching the myriad of fire engines, ambulances, police vehicles, and of course the volunteers of Za'aka (who gathered the remains of victims). People were so bewildered and in tremendous shock, at the brutality of the terrorist who had shot eight talmidim and wounded eleven more. I was in such pain over this tragedy, that I decided to write this song, asking Hashem to end this terrible chapter in history, where B'nei Yishmoel, referred to in the Torah, as Pere Adam ("wild man"), constantly act out without any reservation and commit their wicked and heinous acts towards K'lal Yisroel and the rest of the world. Please Hashem! End this story, see our pain, and show us your face once and for all!

**SOLOISTS:** Eli Deutsch, Aaron Simcha Futerman, Gavriel Shimonovich



## 6 TOV LEHODOS



**VERSE**  
 טוב טוב טוב להודות לך' ולומר ולומר לשמך עליון או עליון  
 טוב טוב טוב להודות לך' ולומר ולומר לשמך עליון או עליון  
 טוב טוב טוב להודות

**CHORUS**  
 או בבקר חסדך או להגיד בבקר ואמונתך בלילות ואמונתך בלילות  
 או בבקר חסדך או להגיד בבקר ואמונתך בלילות ואמונתך בלילות  
 טוב להודות



**It is good to give thanks to Hashem and to sing praise to your name,  
 O Exalted One. To relate your kindness in the morning and your faith in the  
 nights.**

Tehillim 92. These powerful words express the idea that we should always praise Hashem, whether in good times, or seemingly rough times. Symbolically, the words in the posuk, about *relating Hashem's kindness in the morning*, represent the good times, when everything is clear like the light of day (morning), and it is easy to thank Hashem. At the same time, we need to remember the conclusion of the posuk which states that we must relate Hashem's faith (that he does everything for the good), even *in the nights*, when things are dark, unclear, and not so great, and thank him then too!

**SOLOISTS:** Eli Deutsch, Aaron Simcha Futerman, Shimon Katz, Yosef Boruch Saftlas, Gavriel Shimonovich

## 7 BORUCH HASHEM



**VERSE**  
 ברוך ד' ברוך ד' לעולם ברוך ד' ברוך ד' לעולם  
 על אךך ושמים הוא מלך על (ה)עולם (2x)

**CHORUS**  
 ד' ד' הוא אלקים ואין עוד מלבדו ד' ד' הוא אלקים ואין עוד מלבדו  
 Wha oh Wha oh,  
 ד' ד' הוא אלקים ואין עוד מלבדו ד' ד' הוא אלקים ואין עוד מלבדו

**Blessed is Hashem, forever, who rules over the earth and the heavens.  
 Hashem is the L-rd, and there is no one else besides him.**

Lyrics by Yitzy Bald. Based on many sources throughout davening. We recognize the blessings that Hashem bestows upon us, on earth below and in the heavens, at the same time. He is forever the source of blessing, and we proudly proclaim that he is the one and only King over the entire universe.



**SOLOISTS:** Eli Deutsch, Aaron Simcha Futerman, Baruch Kunstler, Yosef Baruch Saftlas, Gavriel Shimonovich

## 8 JUST DREAM ON

**VERSE** When I get up early each mornin',  
I just envision how I want my day to go,  
And when the day is finally over,  
I just keep wonderin' where did all my dreams go.



Some days I go down to the water,  
I see that face of mine reflecting better days,  
Maybe I'll wish some wishful thinking,  
And G-d will hear my prayer cause dreamin' always pays,  
Cause dreamin' always pays...

### CHORUS

Just dream on, let the fire burn inside you,  
Make your move-don't look behind you  
just aim high, (4x)  
Oh yeh yeh just dream on....



Lyrics by Yitzy Bald. People sometimes say to me, you are an idealist and you have so many dreams on your list. You will never accomplish all your dreams. They say give it up! And I say, that as long as you have dreams, go after as many as you can, because you never know which one will literally change humanity and the world at large! Never let other people convince you that you can't pursue your dreams. Unfortunately, sometimes, even we ourselves don't believe in our own abilities to aim high. Never give up! Just Dream On!

**SOLOISTS:** Aaron Simcha Futerman, Sholom Dovid Katz, Dovid Moskovits

## 9 SALAAM

**VERSE** Make your move, show the world, that you will not be a fool,  
Loving deeds are really cool,  
Search your heart, deep inside, do not let our ways collide,  
People should live side by side,  
Enemies of peace somehow, aiming for that button now,  
Can not seem to get it right,  
Come around, turn about, love is a far better route,  
Don't you change our day to night!



### CHORUS

Salaam, Shalom, Salaam,  
Loving one another,  
Treat him like a brother,  
Salaam, Shalom, Salaam,  
Peace with one another,  
Treat him like a brother.



Lyrics by Yitzy Bald. Oy.....how many times do we ask Hashem for peace on this world. Why can't people come to their senses and realize that war, bloodshed, & terrorism do not pay. Let's live in peace, by putting aside all our differences, and rather concentrating our efforts towards creating a loving humanity, based on the morals of the creator of the world. Furthermore, the Jewish people, who are a moral compass for the world, need to really put thought into this.....Maybe if we put aside our own differences and make peace amongst ourselves, the effect will be felt worldwide, as we set an example for the rest of humanity!

**SOLOISTS:** Aaron Simcha Futerman, Dovid Moskovits

# 10 MIRACLE

**INTRO** You're an M-I-R-A-C-L-E (3X)

**VERSE 1** Many many years, it was long ago, his majesty let the Jews all know,  
No more spirit, and no more pride, King Antiochus is on your side,  
Leave, leave, leave it alone, all your dreams of a G-dly home,  
Fantasize 'bout the real good stuff, forget the Torah, it is all bluff (but they will say),

**CHORUS** M-I-R-A-C-L-E  
You're a miracle, not a wannabe, your little light, will burn so bright,  
And shine away the darkness of this night....Hey  
M-I-R-A-C-L-E  
You're a miracle, not a wannabe, your little light, will burn so bright,  
And shine away the darkness of this night....Oh

**BRIDGE** M-I-R-A-C-L-E miracle, oh M-I  
R-A-C-L-E, you're a miracle!

**VERSE 2** Greek lore, they are no more, Maccabee's miracles won the war,  
Few beat the many, the eight night lights, the great miracles came from his heights,  
Try, try, try as they may, there will come a day when they all will say,  
Jew you were right to put up a fight, and now we see your miracle's might (and they will say),

**VERSE 3** Good of you to be a proud Jew, in your darkest times your light shone through,  
You're a miracle and you inspire, your small candle light is hot on fire,  
Look, look, with a lovin' eye, just lift a broken heart to the sky,  
Your greatest miracle, it can be found, inside of you, so pass it around (and now they say),

Composed by: Yitzy Bald

**Soloists & Rap:** Mordechai Gifter, Itai Luria

Musical Arrangements & Production: Yitzy Bald & Ruli Ezrachi

Piano, Bass, & Synths: Ruli Ezrachi • Guitars: Nachman Dreyer • Drums: Gal Gershovsky • Brass: Dani Flam

Background Vocals by: Yitzy Spinner & Michael Elias

Recorded at: Yitzy Bald Studios & Ruli Ezrachi Studios • Mixed & Mastered by: Ruli Ezrachi & Yitzy Bald

Lyrics by Yitzy Bald. The message of Chanukah is not just about the miracle of the candlelights lasting all eight nights. The message is much more broader than that. The miracle of Chanukah teaches us, that each one of us is a miracle, and we can spread the little light contained within ourselves to help and inspire others.

Check out our video clip of this song on our Youtube page [www.youtube.com/user/yitzzybald](http://www.youtube.com/user/yitzzybald)



# 11 PUMP IT UP

**VERSE 1** His majesty, some years ago, invited all the Jews to go,  
To a party that he made, no one forced 'em but they all stayed,  
The Jews had left the Torah way, their evil deeds had made them sway,  
Yes, it made their *father* sad, his children were so bad, partying for fun each day.

**CHORUS** Pump it up up up up, this very happy day, Purim is on the way, so join along,  
Party up up up up, a hidden show of love, to us from G-d above, on earth below,  
Pump it up up up up up up up!

**VERSE 2** Haman hated us, you know, drew a lot for Jews *to go*,  
Got approval from the king, to do his evil thing, evil thing,  
The lot fell out Adar thirteen, the Jews were sad, what could this mean,  
Mordechai gave his advice, repent or pay the price, so light and joy will soon be seen.

**VERSE 3** Achashverosh, in his hand, a scepter of reprimand,  
Of her life, he could demand, Ester came without his command,  
Her violation, he'd ignore, half the kingdom, ask no more,  
Yes, it's Haman *blessed be he*, him I want to see, party with the king and me.

**VERSE 4** The Jews repented with their heart, G-d tore Haman's plans apart,  
Yes he hung right on a tree, made for Mordechai Hayehudi,  
Learn from all our history, how good it really all can be,  
If we live a righteous life, no, there wont be strife, a Torah party is alright!

Composed by: Yitzy Bald

**Soloists:** Aharon Cohen, Mordechai Gifter

Musical Arrangements & Production by: Shoime Kaufman, Tony Bella, & Yitzy Bald

Background Vocals by: Shoime Kaufman

Recorded, Mixed, & Mastered by: Tony Bella Studios & Yitzy Bald Studios

Lyrics by Yitzy Bald. *Pump It Up* is about the story of Purim and how humanity should learn from history how to always strive to better itself in a positive way and with a happy *pump it up* attitude.

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**VERSE** **Livin' my dream, and takin' me now, any place that I can reach somehow,  
Where everyone knows, and everyone sees, I can do just what my heart will please.**

**BRIDGE** **24/7 I am on your mind, you care for all my worries, and you act so kind,  
Never ever givin' up on fun for me, you shower me with love, now matter how I'll be.**

**CHORUS** **Kids of Courage, Wha oh Wha oh,  
Kids of Courage, Everybody now,  
Kids of Courage, Wha oh Wha oh,  
Kids of Courage, Everybody now!**

Produced by: Yitzzy Bald

Composed and Arranged by: Yitzzy Bald

Lyrics by: Yitzzy Bald

**Soloist:** Dovid Moskovits

Musical Production: Yitzzy Bald, Nochi Krohn, Leo Aronzon

Keyboards: Yitzzy Bald, Nochi Krohn, Leo Aronzon

Guitars: Aryeh Kunstler

Percussion: Shaya Lieber

Background Vocals by: Yitzzy Bald, Michael Elias, Leo Aronzon

Recorded at: YB Studios & Nochi Krohn Studios

Mixed & Mastered by: Nochi Krohn

Over one year's time, starting in June of 2011 and ending in June of 2012, the New York Boys Choir, spent a few days together with Kids of Courage, the famed volunteer organization, that turns the dreams of children with serious medical conditions, into reality, by providing them with medically supervised trips, weekends and other events. It was an awesome few days, where NYBC sang, danced, and acted their hearts out, together with the children of KOC, at various landmark sites across New York State & New Jersey, which eventually culminated with a video clip, online, of the choir performing this song. It was truly an inspiration to spend time with them.

The song, Kids of Courage, describes, through the eyes of a KOC child, how much love and care they feel, from each and every staff member of KOC. Yitzzy Bald specifically wrote this song for this project and depicts the solidarity between the boys of NYBC with the amazing youngsters, that are the Kids of Courage.

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