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My grandmother Z"l use to say that you don't know how good a doctor is until you get sick. How true this is of doctors and most things in life. We unfortunately need something to go wrong for us to understand the true value of someone. We were presented with some challenging issues this year that gave us a glimpse of how fortunate we are to have our son in the Yeshiva.

At first, we knew something was not right with Chaim but we did not know how serious it was until we receive a phone call from you. It was a wake up call. Rabbi Niaman, you were like a malach that was sent to help us. We thought Chaim was just

going through a phase. You made this sickness that supposedly last for a year or more into an incident that we only had to deal with for a short time. Thank you for caring about Chaim on all levels. You have uplifted his moral, nurtured his nishama and at the same time his health. You have made yourself available to Chaim and all your talmidim. We know he is in your office quite often because he shares bits of information from posters that decorate your office. Thank you for taking him for lunches and excusing him when needed. Thank you for guiding him and extending yourself in every way possible to help Chaim. We are very grateful for all you have done and continue to do. May Hashem continue to give you strength to be the malach that you are!

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