

Happy New Year!

It's hard to believe how quickly 2016 came and went. What a remarkable year it has been for [The ZACHOR Holocaust Remembrance Foundation!](#)

- We've made a lot of progress this past year with [I-SHOUT-OUT.org](#), our interactive, anti-hate campaign. We strive to fight prejudice and encourage tolerance by allowing people to speak UP and OUT for those who cannot. This online safe haven provides a space for community and respect, ensuring that visitors to the site know they are not alone. The campaign seeks to garner six million SHOUT-OUTs on our site in honor of the six million souls who were silenced because of hatred during the Holocaust.
- Last March, I traveled to Germany to attend the last Nazi War Crime Trial in Detmold, Germany against Auschwitz Birkenau Guard, Reinhold Hanning. It's the second Nazi War Crimes trial I have been asked to participate in as an eyewitness, and the first where I have been physically present. As one of the few survivors left, it was my obligation to make sure that this criminal is punished for the part he played in the execution of six million souls that were silenced. To read more about my experience and verdict, [visit my blog](#).
- We launched the [Expressive Circle](#). This program is made up of artists, poets and writers of all ages who express what the Holocaust means to them. They share their creativity through their chosen medium, creating pieces which serve as reminders to us and future generations to always remember and to never forget. Are you interested, or do you know someone interested in participating in this program? Please contact us: info@zachorfoundation.org
- Tolerance education continues to expand. Our mission, my mission as the founder, is to inform, educate and prevent the atrocities that occurred from the Holocaust to never be repeated. I had an incredible five-day speaking circuit in Salt Lake City that reached more than 4,000 children and adults. In order to continue our mission, it is vital that my outreach continues. If you are interested in having me share my story of survival and learn more about ZACHOR, [contact us today](#).

2017 promises to build and expand on the work of 2016.

One exciting initiative is The Ben Lesser ZACHOR Scholarship Fund. This newly-established fund will be awarded to a qualified teacher to help enhance their Holocaust studies and continue the work we do, ensuring future generations never forget. My book, *"Living a Life That Matters, From Nazi Nightmare to American Dream"* continues to be used in schools across the nation as a critical part of Holocaust education.

ZACHOR relies on your thoughtful contributions to the foundation to fund our educational programs, cover the costs for speaking engagements, and provide the tools necessary to support students and teachers around the world.



For only \$18 a month, you can be a part of the [Chai Society](#) that includes e-newsletter updates and annual recognition. What better way to start the year by helping our work continue to flourish.

As I say "If everybody does a little, then we can do a lot. When enough people are contributing a small amount, we can do much more than provide these pins free of charge. We can fund grants scholarships and do even more to prevent history from ever repeating itself."

From my family to yours, I wish you the happiest New Year filled with prosperity, love, good health and peace in this world.

Sincerely,

Ben Lesser

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