



Dear friends

As you all may know, last year I took upon myself to take a 5 day, 300 miles charity bike tour in the southern Israel's Negev desert to benefit a hospital specialized in working on physically challenged kids.

My trip started in Arad and took me around the Negev toward the Egyptian border and the crater at Mitzve Ramon and the city of Beersheba. It started with an especially hot sunny day (a biker's perfect condition) and slowly turned into sand storm by the second day, followed by 2 days of pouring rain (a biker's nightmare). Unfortunately we were attacked by missiles fired from Gaza into Israel but nothing could stop us because we all had one mission and that was to finish our ride into the hospital and try to bring a smile to those kids' faces. The last day was the most difficult ride due to the fact that we had to climb up the hills into Jerusalem, but all of the 700+ riders did it with joy.

I took a complete tour of the [Alyn hospital](#), and must say that after visiting all the different sections and meeting some of the patients that it was a very emotional experience. Seeing all those kids trying to adopt and learn new techniques on how to run an ordinary happy life just like the rest of us.

Traveling to Israel, biking, and helping kids with disabilities, all felt wonderful and that's why I have decided to challenge myself with another trip this October to Israel for the same cause and I need your help again. Seeing firsthand the result of their hard work and accomplishing so many difficult challenges makes me believe that it's a worthy cause to help them financially.

Checks could be made out to friends of [friends of Alyn Hospital](#) or you may go on-line and make a pledge to support my ride: www.wolusa.org/davidebrani or you just contact me directly.



Thank you so much for being as generous as you can be and L'Shana Tova to you and your family.

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