

The Daily RYS 11/3/06 RYS Davens Quickly on YK

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The leaders of the Kovno community had forgotten to contact the district army commandant to request leave for the Jewish soldiers, so as to allow them to observe Yom Kippur together with the local Jewry. This was brought to R. Israel's notice on Kol Nidre eve. He was overcome with grief. On his advice, the congregation agreed to commence their services the next day at a very early hour, so as to allow R. Zvi Nevayzer, his colleague and communal coworker, to meet with the commandant and ask for the release of the Jewish soldiers. Unwilling to trust anyone else, R. Israel himself conducted the services that morning, abbreviating them so much, that the delegation was able to gain an audience with the commandant at an early hour and hasten the discharge of the Jewish soldiers."

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