CANTORIAL CHANTS
Composed and sung by
CANTOR DAVID WERDYGER

T'Filo L'Dovid

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CANTOR WERDYGER — The Cantor
Cantor David Werdyger is the rare combination of a singer and composer. A singer who has achieved the rank and recognition of a "heavenly angel," a composer who has created beautiful liturgical songs as well as heart-warming and lively chassidic melodies. Born in Cracow, Poland, to a prominent Gerrer Chassidic family, endowed with musical talent, young David displayed his gifts as a soloist in the famed Gerrer Choir as well as with the leading cantors of Cracow.

After studying in the Yeshuvah of Cracow, he went on to study voice throughout Europe. During the very difficult years of World War II, the warmth and feeling conveyed in his singing served as a source of strength and inspiration for him and his brethren. It therefore seemed natural that after the liberation it was Cantor Werdyger who was chosen to lead the High Holiday Services for the thousands of American Jewish soldiers who were stationed near Linz, Austria, making it a moving and touching experience for all assembled.

Upon his arrival in the U.S.A., he was immediately recognized for his unique talents as a composer and cantor. He has since served in some of the leading congregations in the position of Cantor and has gained further acclaim through his concert recitals which has great popular appeal. Presently he is the cantor of the Flatbush Talmud Torah in Brooklyn.

Of special interest to music lovers has been a series of many recordings (of this is the latest) which have shown a unique synthesis of classic virtuosity and deep chassidic feeling.

YAACOY GOLDSTEIN — The Arranger
Yaakov Goldstein is one of the country’s outstanding contemporary composers of liturgical music. He has contributed greatly to the dissemination and understanding of all forms of Jewish music including the Chassidic by his masterful interpretations as well as by capturing the "soul" of the music, thereby allowing it its fullest expression. At present he serves as musical director of a leading Jewish Center.

Side One

1. DEROSH NO
O seek those who seek thee when claiming thy presence; be accessible to them from thy heavenly abode; do not avert thy ear from their fervent prayer, and hearken to the cry, and the prayer.

2. VENIREHU AIYN BEAYIN
May we see him eye to eye when he returns to his abode, as it is written: "For they shall see eye to eye when the Lord returns to Zion." And it is said: "Then the glory of the Lord shall be revealed, and all shall see it together; for thus has the Lord promised."

Reader:
May the merciful Father have compassion on the people who have been upheld by him, and remember the covenant with the patriarchs; may he deliver us from evil times, and check the evil impulse in those who have been tended by him; may he graciously grant us everlasting deliverance, and in his goodness fulfill our petitions for salvation and mercy.

3. HASHKIVEINU
Grant, Lord our God, that we lie down in peace, and that we rise again, O our King, to life. Spread over us thy shelter of peace, and direct us with good counsel of thy own. Save us for thy name’s sake; shield us, and remove from us every enemy and pestilence, sword and famine and grief; remove the adversary from before us and from behind us; shelter us in the shadow of thy wings; for thou art our protecting and saving God; thou art indeed a gracious and merciful God and King.

4. V’LIRUSHULAI
Return in mercy to thy city Jerusalem and dwell in it as thou hast promised; rebuild it soon, in our days, as an everlasting structure, and speedily establish in it the throne of David. Blessed art thou, O Lord, Builder of Jerusalem.

Side Two

1. RETZEI
Our God and God of our fathers, be pleased with our rest. Sanctify us with thy commandments and grant us a share in thy Torah; satisfy us with thy goodness and gladden us with thy deliverance; purify our heart to serve thee in truth; and, in thy gracious love, Lord our God, grant that we keep thy holy Sabbath as a heritage, and that Israel, who hallow thy name, may rest on it. Blessed art thou, O Lord, who hallowest the Sabbath.

2. ELOKAI
My God, before I was formed I was of no worth, and now that I have been formed it is as if I had not been formed. Dust I am in life, and all the more so in death. In thy sight, I am like an object filled with shame and disgrace. May it be thy will, Lord my God and God of my fathers, that I sin no more. In thy abundant mercy, cleanse the sins I have committed against thee, but not through severe sufferings.

3. RIBOINOSHELOLOM
Lord of the universe, thou didst command us through Moses thy servant concerning the counting of the Omer, in order to cleanse us of our evil things and impurities; thou didst write in thy Torah: "You shall count from the day following the day of rest, from the day you brought the sheaf of the wave-offering; seven full weeks shall be counted; you shall count fifty days to the day following the seventh week." May all thy people of Israel be purged from their impurities.

4. UVACHEIN
May it be thy will, Lord our God and God of our fathers, that my counting the Omer today help set right again the errors I have committed; may I rise high in purity and holiness. Amen.

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8. U'VCHEN

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