

## Reb Mosze Izrael Zomper

He was one of the most outstanding Chassidic characters in Częstochowa. He was born in nearby Przyrów and settled in Częstochowa. He tutored young lads who did well in Talmud with *Toisfes* and had many pupils. He was a great scholar, an expert both in the revealed [dimensions of Torah] and the concealed [i.e., *Kabbalah*], and above all, he was noted for his simplicity and righteousness. He was humble, kind-hearted and charitable towards all. Despite his own tight situation, he was a great squanderer on charity and outstanding in his hospitality to guests.

His wife Brajndla also excelled in kindness and helped him with their livelihood by running their business herself, so as to enable him to dedicate himself to Torah and good deeds.

He huddled in the shade of the Radomsko *Rebbe* and was one of his most important followers.

He was also a supporter of the Old *Yishuv*<sup>1</sup> [Settlement] in the Land of Israel, as well as a collector for the Rabbi Meir Ba'al HaNes fund<sup>2</sup> and all the rabbinical emissaries from the Land of Israel were his guests.

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<sup>1</sup> [TN: The ultra-orthodox Jewish communities in the Land of Israel, prior to the onset of Zionism and the Aliyah movement.]

<sup>2</sup> [TN: Polish Jewish charity fund for the support of their countrymen who had settled in the Holy Land.]