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**Rabbi Yekusiel Yehuda Halberstam (1905-1994)**  
"The Klausenberger Rebbe of Zanz"

1. Great grandson of the "Divrei Chaim" (1793-1876) of Zanz.
2. Charismatic leader, passionate teacher, posek and scholar.
3. Spiritual ascetic, slept three hours per day and ate one meal.
4. Hassidic Rebbe in town of Klausenberg (Romania)
5. May 1944 Klausenberg Ghetto massacred in Auschwitz.
6. Nazis murdered his wife, eleven children & most of his followers
7. Forced labour in Aushwitz, forced marches; Dachau, starvation.
8. A source of strength and emunah for all; shabbos and tefillah.
9. In DP camp in Germany he became outspoken leader.
10. Met General Eisenhower on Yom Kippur asked for 4 minim.
11. "She'eirit Ha'pleita" schools and yeshivot in 19 DP camps.
12. Obtained tefillin, talleisim, sefarim, sifrei torah, etc.
13. 1947 moved to Israel. Dedicated to helping and inspiring.
14. 1958 established Kiryat Zanz next to Natanya.
15. 1980 founded Laniado Hospital; run halachically.
16. One of the greatest architects of post-holocaust renewal.
17. Authored "Divrei Yatziv" - responsa classic halachic posek.