



THE DESERT ROAD

DESERT HOPE INTERNATIONAL

What is this ministry?

- Making a difference in the lives of Holocaust Survivors with visitation & 'adoption'.
- Establishing a Hospitality House in Israel to help those in economic need, connecting those seeking God with those who can guide them.
- Speaking and teaching in churches or congregations about the Holocaust Survivors and Israel

Come join us in loving God's People!

God is Good!!

For some time we have needed help in the administrative end of DHI— doing mailings, phone calls, emails, etc. God knew who it was and we have been praying for Him to prepare that person and reveal them at the right time. Well, the time has come! We are VERY excited to bring Sherry Carroll onboard with DHI! :)

Sherry lives in Camp Hill, PA, is married to Stan and attends Christ Community Church. For many years she has been involved in Samaritan's Purse ministry preparing Christmas Child Shoeboxes. (page 3)

CONSIDER IT...

When you receive this letter, our "Night to Celebrate Israel" will be over. The guests will be gone, the room cleared, the food and wares consumed and our wonderful volunteers home for a well deserved rest.

But consider what it takes to make an event like this take place:

- ◆ Planning one year in advance (lots of brainstorming!)
- ◆ Volunteers (this year we needed over 50 people!) to prepare food, prepare ministry information, set-up, work that day and tear down)
- ◆ A facility made available (thank you Capital Area Christian Church!)
- ◆ Preparation of wares to sell, food to give away and music to practice
- ◆ LOTS of prayer covering by intercessors!
- ◆ Many hours (and ink) printing papers, signs, adoption applications, etc
- ◆ Miles driven to purchase paper plates, napkins, sign holders, tablecloths
- ◆ Air miles as speakers and participants fly in from as far away as Israel
- ◆ Postage (oh, my!) to send out flyers, invitations, and reminders
- ◆ Rehearsals for the Praise & Worship Team (Good job, Jerusalem Song!)
- ◆ Phone calls to follow-up on the flyers and invitations

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Where in the World is Susan?!

October

- 7 House of Prayer, Davidsburg, PA call Ruth Faust— 717-259-8280
- 1-30 Susan available to speak in Pennsylvania/Maryland/New York area

November

- 7-17 Susan, Marianna and work team to Israel (Susan to remain in Israel)

December

Susan in Israel / Marianna available to speak in PA/MD/NY

January 08

Susan in Israel / Marianna available to speak in PA/MD/NY

- 9-19 Work team to Israel led by Nancy Kurtz & Wanda Heebner, two of our Survivor Adopt Coordinators

February

- 1-30 Alex, our Survivor Visit Coordinator, tentatively visiting the USA

March-April

Speaking tour including PA, TX, AL, FL. Call today to add your location and state to our itinerary!

To join the next work teams, or arrange for speaking, call 717-557-5775 or email info@deserthopeinternational.org

UPCOMING JEWISH AND RUSSIAN HOLIDAYS

Jewish— Simchat Torah October 5

Russian— Day of National Unity November 4

NEWS IN ISRAEL AND THE USA

Think It– God Hears It!

I needed a white scarf– asked God, no one else. Soon after a Messianic dancer gave me her scarf!
 We needed chairs for Beit Shalom– asked God, no one else. Four beautiful, strong chairs were donated!
 What do you need to trust God for? He will provide if you ask HIM and no one else!!

My CD Player on Wheels

Alas, my car has fallen ill. It seems the gaskets located in the middle of the engine (requiring the manifold to be removed– labor intensive) are bad and all the coolant leaked out. Over the year I have had the car, I have prayed for healing for: Air conditioner problems—Healed! Oil problems– Healed! Tire losing air– Healed! But this time the Lord decided to allow surgery at the Garage Hospital– to the tune of \$929. If anyone would like to help pay the Mechanic Doctor, me and my CD Player on Wheels would be most grateful! Thank you!

Special Beit Shalom Partner Status

Because we are so excited about the possibilities for groups to visit Israel & bless Holocaust Survivors, we at DHI would like to offer a chance for businesses, churches or individuals to partner with us. For every \$5000 donation towards the purchase of the Hospitality House in Akko, we would like to offer free lodging for your group or family at Beit Shalom. Dates and length of stay would need to be arranged with DHI.

In addition, the mayor of Akko, Israel, has donated a few lapel pins with the Akko crest! These cannot be bought or obtained anywhere else except from the mayor of Akko in Israel and are in limited supply. **We only have six, so the first six donors giving \$5000 or more will receive them.** Contact us at 210-249-8401 or 717-557-5775 to arrange to receive your lapel pin from Israel.

Handmade or Handpicked Donations for Survivors!

Donations needed: Socks, scarves, warm caps, shawls, gloves, potholders, kitchen towels, trial size toiletries, Vitamin C or Multi-vitamins, Tums, toothpaste, toothbrushes, combs & sugar-free hard candy.

Deadline to receive items for **November work trip is October 30.**

Deadline to receive items for **January work trip is January 1, 2008**

Mail items to: **DHI, P.O. Box 3055, Shiremanstown, PA 17011**

For drop-off in PA, call Nancy at 717-592-0859. For drop-off in TX, call Kathleen at 210-249-8401. All items dropped in TX need to be received by 15 days before the final deadlines. Thank you for your help!!

Consider It... (continued from page 1)

Putting together an event like Night to Celebrate Israel is a lot of work, but it is also extremely rewarding. Through these preparations I have seen God move in amazing ways:

- ◆ Small cups for food? Provided free. Bags for dessert items? Provided free.
- ◆ Praise & Worship group? We prayed and received an offer one day later.
- ◆ Computer techs, volunteers, hands to prepare everything? People coming forward to offer their help.
- ◆ Funds needed to purchase some necessary items? An offer made to collect those funds.
- ◆ Airfare for one of our speakers? A gracious offer from one of our Adoptive Families to help fund it.
- ◆ Office items needed? Asked and received enough for all the volunteers of DHI!

Do you see a pattern here? We do! When it is something akin to God's Heart, which this ministry is, He will provide all things needed. So, how about you? Will you become a part of the team that puts on the "Night to Celebrate Israel" for 2008? Come join us– there is a blessing in it for YOU!



OUR JEWISH ROOTS
BY MARIANNA ESWORTHY



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Sukkot – is known as the “Feast of Tabernacles” or the “Festival of Shelters.” The command of the L-rd to observe this appointed time is found in Leviticus 23: 33-44. Sukkot begins on the fifth day after the Day of Atonement and lasts for seven days. On the eighth day it concludes with a holy convocation (solemn assembly) accompanied by offerings to the L-rd. The first and eighth days of this celebration are days of total rest. (Sabbath) We are commanded to “...rejoice before the L-rd...” (Lev.23: 40) during these seven days of Sukkot, which follow the harvest.

For seven days all Israelites by birth must live in a temporary shelter called a “Sukkah.” This is to remind all generations that the people of Israel lived in the “sukkot” when G-d brought them out of the land of Egypt.

What would observing this feast remind us of today in a spiritual sense?

- *Our wandering in the wilderness of sin before we came to know Yeshua.
- *The temporary dwelling place that we know as “home” now. (Earth and body)
- *Awaiting to enter into the promised land, our permanent dwelling. (Heaven and our glorified bodies.) (Phil. 3:20&21)
- *The return of Yeshua, when he will “dwell” or “tabernacle” with His people. (Prophetic)

How do we “celebrate” Sukkot?

- With offerings of thanks.
- Prayers and donations to the poor. (ie. food baskets)
- Time of rejoicing in the L-rd for all the good things He has given us. (Harvest)
- If you're Jewish, enjoy the festival by building a sukkah and dwell in it for seven days!

Her heart is filled with compassion for people in need, which qualifies her for our Survivors. In fact, Sherry adopted two Survivors at the beginning of this outreach and maintains her contact today. If you ask her about them she will tell you “I consider them to be my grandparents.”

Sherry will be our Communication and Administrative Assistant, fielding questions, making business contacts, answering emails, setting speaking engagements and helping us prepare for events. Sherry is also a DHI spokesperson about Adopting Survivors .

For information, please contact Sherry at info@deserthopeinternational.org
Welcome to DHI, Sherry!

DID YOU KNOW...

...IN POLAND, A NAZI OFFICER NAMED CAPTAIN DEGENHARDT, HAD THE SOLE DECISION IN CHOOSING WHO WOULD LIVE AND WHO WOULD DIE?

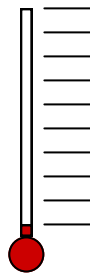
IN THE GHETTOS, COLUMNS OF JEWS WOULD APPROACH HIM FOR EVALUATION- HIS SWAGGER STICK INDICATED HIS SELECTION. TO THE RIGHT, LABOR CAMP... TO THE LEFT, DEATH.



Please pray for us!

Donations from...
49 people @ \$5000 each,
98 people @ \$2500 each,
245 people @ \$1000 each, or
1000 people @ \$245 each
...would begin the process to purchase this house.

Which category is for you?



\$295,300 still needed

\$4,700 given/pledged

~ A FEW WORDS ~

“The Sovereign Lord has given me an instructed tongue, to know the word that sustains the weary. He wakens me morning by morning, wakens my ear to listen like one being taught.” Isaiah 50:4

How do you wake up in the morning? Do you immediately begin thinking of all the tasks waiting completion, problems within the family or how much you dread getting up?

Try this: When you first wake up, say “Good Morning!” to the Sovereign God, to Jesus and to the Holy Spirit. They are the first three “persons” you want to greet. Then allow a few minutes of quiet so the Lord can instruct you for the day. Unless we LISTEN, we cannot hear. Without a plan, nothing gets done. God has a plan for you every day, a plan for great success (Jeremiah 29:11-14; Joshua 1:6-9). Let Him tell you about His perfect plan and how to accomplish it. I guarantee, your day will go much better!

CONTACT INFORMATION

All contributions and communications can be sent to the address below:

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Credit/bank card donation option on our website www.deserthopeinternational.org

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dedicated to blessing and honoring the Holocaust Survivors and elderly Jews from WWII. (Psalms 68:5&6)

Other outreaches:

- Beit Shalom, a House of Hospitality in northern Israel
- Holocaust Survivor Adoption Program
- Monthly newsletter
- Speaking / educating to groups, churches and schools

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