



# 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!

## INTRODUCING...

Please welcome the new Vice President on our Board here at Desert Hope: Marianna Esworthy of "Rejoice Ministries!"

Marianna has a radio program "*Rejoice with Marianna*" on 720 AM 'The Rock' in Shiremans-town, PA. She also has a beautiful singing voice, with her first CD now available, called "*No Condemnation*" with all original songs. This CD will soon be available on our new web site. In addition Marianna has an evangelistic speaking ministry, teaches Messianic dance & is a true Friend of Israel.

Our ministry is all about people; (cont'd pg 3)

## YOU JUST NEVER KNOW... (HOW GOD WILL USE YOU)

As a neighbor, she was fairly quiet, though not a Believer. The family next door, Joe and Beth\*, treated their neighbor with respect and kindness. The elderly woman noticed they attended church, the children were well behaved—by their actions she knew they were Christian folks. One day she came over and spoke to Joe. She told him her only son had just died at the young age of 43. Would Joe do the funeral? Joe suggested, since he was not a minister, surely someone else in the family knew a pastor? No, she said, *he was the only Christian she knew*. She expected only a few family members to attend, so he agreed.

The following morning the unusual accidental circumstances of her son's death made the front page news. That evening the grieving mother brought over a letter she found among her son's belongings. She suggested Joe might want to use it for the funeral. Reading through the letter, he now knew God was up to something.

The next day Joe spoke at the funeral, reading the letter given to him. It was unsigned, explaining how much God loved this man and that God wanted him to accept Jesus as his Savior. Joe explained to everyone there, all 200 people crowded into the room, how God had reached out to this man before his death. He closed the service by giving a clear explanation of Salvation to this roomful of people, most of whom had never heard anything about the Lord.

Afterward a woman came forward and admitted she had written the letter, compelled to write out the plan of salvation and give it to the man. But the question remained —had he taken Jesus up on His offer of Eternal Life? Hearing their discussion, a man nearby hesitantly came forward. Having worked at the local hospital, he told how he had the privilege of leading this man to the Lord. You see, their neighbor's son had been diagnosed with an incurable disease. He had gone to the hospital seeking treatment and found God.

This is a true story of divine appointments that were acted upon by people looking to fulfill God's Plan, no matter what was required of them. Each one was stretched and asked to 'get out of their box' and perform for Jesus. \*names changed

**If** the woman had not written the letter, the seed of Salvation would not have been sown.

**If** the man had not been diagnosed with a disease, he would not have gone to the hospital and met the orderly.

**If** the orderly had not obeyed the prompting of the Holy Spirit, he would not have led this man to the Lord before his fatal accident.

**If** Joe and his family had not lived their lives for Christ, the man's mother would not have recognized their genuine faith. (cont'd page 3)

"...I give you this charge: Preach the Word; be prepared in season and out of season;" II Timothy 4:2

## SCHEDULE

In Israel - September 28  
thru the end of November

Available for speaking:

Pennsylvania - Dec. 1 thru  
January 31

Traveling & TX - Feb 1  
thru end of March

Return to Israel  
(tentative) - April/May,  
2007

*Upon my return from  
Israel, I will be shar-  
ing pictures of the  
war damage in the  
north, Holocaust Sur-  
vivors in that area  
and other cities.*

Set up a time to hear  
the latest on Israel!

Since I will be in Israel,  
please call 210-249-  
8411 (between 9/26/06  
and 12/1/06) to sched-  
ule a speaking time  
upon my return. Or  
you can email-  
[susanh@deserthopeinter-  
national.org](mailto:susanh@deserthopeinter-<br/>national.org) After De-  
cember 1st you can  
also call 717-542-8810.

## Good Books List

Learn how to celebrate  
the Jewish Festivals!

**“God’s Appointed  
Times”**

by Barney Kasdan

**“Celebrate the  
Feasts”** by Martha

## UPCOMING JEWISH AND RUSSIAN HOLIDAYS

R - **Siege of Leningrad Day** (Celebrate end of 900 day blockade) - September 8th  
J- **Rosh Hashana** (Jewish New Year) - Sunset, September 22nd  
J- **Yom Kippur** (Day of Atonement) - Sunset, October 1st  
J- **Succot** October 7

## NEWS IN ISRAEL AND THE USA

### Jehovah Jireh - God Provides

I never cease to be amazed at how the Lord provides. He promises He will, yet I am in awe all over again every time it happens!

As those who receive this newsletter on a regular basis know, the Lord provided a car for me to use, and it had a CD player in it to hear praise music. Of course, I cannot use the CD player in the house (smile), but I have been thrilled to play praise music every where I go! But God knew that.

Last week, without my saying anything, the Lord provided a personal CD player so I can enjoy worship music everywhere! Thank you Dave & Jan!

Then, this week while in New York City, I received a Jump drive for my computer. I had been thinking how it would help for the ministry files, but I didn't even ask the Lord for one! However, He knew my thoughts and used some of His saints to deliver. A big thank you to Dick and Mara!

### Israel Plans

You may have noticed this newsletter is out a bit earlier than usual. The reason is to ask for your prayers concerning our trip. I and C., a travel buddy, will be leaving for Israel on Wednesday. We will be in Tel Aviv two days to visit a congregation and spend time in prayer before launching into our itinerary. We will be crisscrossing Israel, visiting a number of cities, seeking to encourage all we meet, meeting Holocaust Survivors and looking to advance the establishment of our Hospitality House. Helping and encouraging others is a large part of our trip; reaching more Survivors to bless them is paramount. Please pray for our safety, discernment, guidance and to follow the plan God has set for us. Pray for us to be prepared to do His work!

### Thank you!!! :)

Thank you to each one of you who has given financial gifts to allow this ministry trip to be a reality! We have received a little over half the funds needed (Praise the Lord!), still needing approximately \$1800. We are stepping out in faith that all will be provided and going ahead.

Please pray for the rest of our finances to come in. Please also pray for additional financial gifts to provide grocery & pharmacy gift cards for the Holocaust Survivors we meet. Blessings to you all!

### Special Prayer Request

Everyone involved in Desert Hope International needs prayer. The enemy targets those who commit themselves to loving the Jewish people. **Please pray!**

**YOU JUST NEVER KNOW... (CONTINUED FROM FRONT PAGE)**

If Joe would not have been willing to step out of his comfort zone to speak at a funeral, he would have missed the opportunity God gave him to tell 200 people about Jesus.

*"Neither he who plants nor he who waters is anything, but only God, who makes things grow. The man who plants and the man who waters have one purpose, and each will be rewarded according to his own labor."*

I Corinthians 3:7&8

Are you living your life, like these people were, ready for whatever opportunity God sends your way? He uses ordinary people like you and me to perform His miracles and bring His Salvation. **Get Ready - God will be calling on You!**



**HOLOCAUST SURVIVORS (CONTINUED FROM BACK)**

in exchange for food, but was often not given anything after completing her duties. Many times she spent the night sleeping in the forest under the snow, next to a pile of coal, to keep warm. Several times when she was able to stay with a family, she would wake up and find they had left during the night, not taking her along, leaving her alone once more. Klara was eventually discovered and returned to the Ghetto. During the time she was there she was often sick and had to work for others anyway. Once more she escaped, was found again, and returned to the Ghetto a third time where she remained until the end of the war. Several years after the war, her father found her and she was reunited with him.

Today, even though Klara still lives alone, the local Messianic Congregation visits her regularly and does her yard work. Through their kindness Klara is able to once again enjoy the simple pleasure of taking a walk outside. Best of all, ever since Klara was adopted, her 'family' in America sends cards, letters and prays for her; depression of her past and present has disappeared. Instead is a smile of happiness and gratitude for new friends showing the love of her Messiah.

**~ A FEW WORDS ~**

*"...he was chosen by the churches to accompany us as we carry the offering, which we administer in order to honor the Lord himself and to show our eagerness to help. We want to avoid any criticism of the way we administer this liberal gift. For we are taking pains to do what is right, not only in the eyes of the Lord but also in the eyes of men."*

II Corinthians 8:19-21

Paul said it best in God's Word. We are going where Paul went, doing what he did, taking the offerings to be used for the poor and lonely; in this case, the Holocaust Survivors. What we give is completely dependent on what is given for them—just like Paul and Titus. Without your financial gifts, we go empty handed. Thank you to those who send funds to help the Holocaust Survivors, many of which live in poverty. You would be surprised how far even \$10 or \$15 can go in blessing them. If you have not sowed into this part of our ministry, I encourage you to do so. Your blessing will be hand carried to God's forgotten children. Thank you!!

**Introducing (contd from pg 1)**

both those to whom we minister and those who minister to them. Marianna is someone fully committed to God and His work.

*"For the eyes of the Lord range throughout the earth to strengthen those whose hearts are fully committed to him."*

II Chronicles. 16:9

We are pleased to have Marianna, and her husband Frank, join our DHI family!

Desert Hope is looking for people who are willing to be part of God's outreach and commit their hearts to Y'shua, our Messiah. Come work with us and let God strengthen you as you seek to bless His people.

—Susan Heagy

**DID YOU KNOW?**

THOUGH THE NAZI PARTY LOST POPULARITY, THE DIVISION OF ALL OTHER POLITICAL PARTIES WAS THE REASON FOR HIS RISE TO POWER IN GERMANY.

ADOLF HITLER WAS MADE CHANCELLOR OF GERMANY ON JANUARY 30, 1933.

LESS THAN SIX WEEKS LATER, HITLER'S SS MEN INTERRED 5000 PRISONERS IN DACHAU, THE FIRST CONCENTRATION CAMP.

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**PERSONALLY RELATED EXPERIENCES OF HOLOCAUST SURVIVORS**

Klara is originally from Belarusia. She is now 84 years old, almost completely blind and suffers from diabetes. For over one year a wound on her leg would not heal. She lives alone as a stroke relegated her husband to a nursing home in another city and her only daughter was hospitalized with a crushed pelvis from an accident, living three hours away.

When Klara was 10 yrs old she was forced into a Ghetto with her family. One day the Nazi soldiers gathered a large group of Jews and shot them all. (Some of the Ghettos had pogroms [programs] for extermination, just like the concentration camps.) Within the group chosen was Klara, her mother and 5 yr old sister. Klara was wounded, her sister killed outright and her mother mortally shot. Klara lay underneath her dying mother and all the other dead bodies. After lying there for several days, Klara was found by a neighbor who was pulling gold teeth from the people that had died, to purchase food for her family. Klara was nursed back to health and spent a number of years going from one family to another, eventually escaping the Ghetto.

Over the next few years Klara worked during the day for various families (continued inside, page 3)