

The Desert Road

April 1, 2005

The three ultra-orthodox men watched us as we crossed the courtyard area right in front of them, heading for an apartment building. They have become aware of my visits and occasionally follow me. S., pastor of the Russian congregation, and I entered the building and went up to the apartment of Z., a Holocaust survivor. We were welcomed with smiles and hugs. This was the first time S. had met her. She turned to me and said with a smile, "You didn't forget me." She also told S. she could feel much love from us for her and her family. That was the love God has for her! Z. began to tell him how happy she was with the visits, but she had a question: "Can you tell me why Jesus died on the cross?! I would like to understand better." Praise the Lord! With a broad smile he began to unfold the plan of salvation and explain the love Jesus had for her. Immediately after she asked if she was allowed to attend the Russian congregation! She also expressed a desire to share Pesach with us as well. We happily made arrangements for her transportation.

Immediately after her request, there was a knock on the door. A woman said the Datim were looking for us and asking everyone where we went. The Lord immediately brought to my mind Genesis 19:11 when the angels struck the men in Sodom with blindness and they could not find Lot's door! God had performed a miracle for us! I was overwhelmed with what the Lord had just done. He knew there was an open heart waiting and made sure we had no interruptions. The men seeking to interfere with the plans of God were blinded to our location! Praise God! When we left they were completely gone and we proceeded to visit another survivor. And what transpired there? This sweet woman pulled out a Bible that had been distributed by Eddie and Lura over a year ago and told us she prayed a prayer to accept Jesus! Then she asked if she was allowed to come to the Russian congregation? I told her she could come but I hoped she would sit with me! ☺ As we took our leave, she was smiling and laughing. Praise the Lord for His great love!

Last year the Lord had spoken to me, clearly indicating about including the Russian and Hebrew congregations in the visitation. Two weeks ago I presented the entire Holocaust Survivor visitation and adoption program to Y., the Hebrew pastor and S., the Russian pastor. They were very excited about it and pronounced it of the Holy Spirit – just what they needed for the congregations to work in the community! The following Shabbat I made a presentation to the Russian congregation, explaining the fragility of these lonely people who have been through so much, but are still without their Messiah. Within a week I had three more volunteers to begin visiting with me.☺

Adoptions – only 12 names left! Each of them are waiting to hear they also have been chosen. Email me at sueheagy2004@hotmail.com to adopt a Holocaust Survivor today!

Here's the latest news!

I'm Coming Back!

Jesus tells us we are to ask in order to receive, which I did in the last newsletter – and receive I did! Wow! ☺ I have almost the full amount needed for my plane fare to return to Israel and I haven't even left yet!! How can I thank those who gave from their hearts, many sacrificially? The best thing I can do is ask our Lord to richly bless you for your generosity, your obedience to His call and pray the Lord will show you His love in an unusual way. ☺

Flying to WHERE?

I had notified the travel agent what date I needed for my return flight to the States. I also asked him to have me fly into Newark, NJ so I could catch a train into Lancaster. He emailed me back and gave me a ticket time, going into New York City. (That's one.) When I received the email I had a strange longing to take the ticket to New York. But that didn't make any sense, so I emailed him again requesting Newark, NJ. He sent me a different ticket, going to... New York. (That's two) Once again I emailed explaining why I needed NEWARK. He sent me another ticket with – you guessed it, New York. (That's three ☺) Once again I asked for Newark, and this time I got what I wanted.

Two days later I write to friends in New York telling them of my ticket troubles – and they write back “TAKE THE TICKET TO NEW YORK! We want to see you! Besides, we will drive you to PA and you do not need to take the train.” I suddenly thought of Samuel. God called him three times before he figured out it was God talking to him.

God sent me three tickets to go to New York, but I missed that it was Him. Besides, something no one else knew, I had no idea how I was going to pay for the train! God was trying to provide for me. I thank the Lord that He finally got my attention. ☺

Holocaust Survivors Seek their Messiah!

More healings! More open doors! Incredible happenings! This is the latest:

1. The two ladies mentioned above asking about Yeshua and attending the Russian congregation. One of them asked us to pray for her back before we left. I can hardly wait to see her again and find out how she is feeling!

2. R., a woman whose rotator cuff is torn and is in pain, but she does not want surgery. We laid hands on her and prayed. When I saw her this week, she grabbed my hands and was smiling and told me her arm feels much better and the pain is gone! Praise the Lord for His healing touch!

3. I was invited to attend a birthday celebration of R., one of the survivors. When I arrived, I discovered I was the only one who was not a relative among about 15 people. Everyone spoke only Russian except one man who spoke some English. He asked me what I was doing there since I was not related? I explained how I met R. and the visits. The next question? “So, you are a Christian. What kind of Christian are you?” Everyone was silent now waiting for his translation. I told him I believed in Yeshua, that He is the Messiah, that He died for all our sins, that He rose again and is alive and that if we believe in Him we will go to be with Him forever in heaven. The gentleman translated everything I said. I was immediately accepted and welcomed for the rest of the day! An older gentleman even pulled me onto the dance floor, even though I can’t dance. ☺ What a wonderful God we have Who can arrange for a Gentile to attend a Russian Jewish birthday party and have the opportunity to share the gospel!

4. As Purim approached, I needed small items to give as gifts for the survivors. I had no funds and did not know what to do. So, I asked the Lord for help. The following day a group from Christ Community Church in Camp Hill, PA stopped in while they were touring the Land. They brought us all kinds of things – brushes, combs, shoe horns, toothbrushes, pens, pencils, pencil sharpeners, washcloths, hand sewn bags packed with goodies like socks, scarves, shoelaces, etc and two bags of sugar-free candy. Oh, and enough hotel samples of shampoo, conditioner and lotion for all the survivors! I used the washcloths and bags for wrapping, and made up little Purim gifts to hand out! God came through again! He certainly is our Provider! ☺

5. We took a gift to V. from her adoptive family. It was a basket filled with all kinds of goodies! Her response? “I don’t understand why someone who has never met me would care enough to do such a nice thing for me! What a wonderful thing to do! I must thank her!” We explained her family just wanted to bless her and send her God’s love. ☺ What a testimony!

6. A donation of small cuddly stuffed bears – enough for each Holocaust Survivor - just arrived! What a wonderful gift for our elderly orphans to receive! I believe these bears will really touch the child that is still hurting inside each one of our precious people. ☺ A heartfelt “Thank you!” to the donors. ☺ I know your gift will reach their hearts.

News from Arad...

1. The ultra-orthodox are still busy harassing the believers here in Arad and I am no exception. Whenever I am out visiting they keep an eye on me, sometimes following, trying to see where I am headed. I would ask you to pray for favor and safety in this area.
2. Thanks to your prayers my foot is healing nicely. I am making a point to walk and return it to full strength! Thank you! ☺
3. The Hebrew and Russian congregations are preparing to take over the visitation of the survivors during my absence. I am working out the details to make sure they have all

the information they need to pick up the work. Please pray for a smooth transition and enough workers with the needed compassion.

4. The weather is changing and parts of the desert are turning green! It is beautiful here with brilliant splashes of colorful flowers among the stone walls, desert sands and stately palms. Arad is an oasis in the midst of the Negev. Like an oasis, there is new life here and a feeling of expectancy. Something BIG is coming! Salvation of the Survivors and the ultra-orthodox; or the return of the Messiah?! Let's pray it will be so!

Can You Please Pray?!

I am at a crossroads and need your help. Through you God has provided my way back to Israel, (Praise God! ☺) but I am in great need of monthly supporters. Of necessity, I need to find another place to stay on my return. This means the monthly support will need to cover the rent as well as the basics of life. I praise God that most of the survivors are adopted and cared for, but now I am seeking support for my daily bread. ☺ I truly believe God wants this ministry to continue, and I believe God will provide – He always does. **But I need your prayers to make it happen!** On my return I expect to complete the Survivor outreach. I estimate it should take another six to twelve months before the turnover to the Russian congregation will be finalized.

To each of you who are supporting this ministry right now – I could not be here at all without you and not one survivor would have been reached if it was not for you! Thank you and bless you!! You are definitely sowing into Israeli soil!

Coming to See You!

While I am in the States I will be available for speaking at your church or congregation.

I would love to share with you about this wonderful ministry to the Holocaust Survivors. Please call me after April 20th at 717-542-5650 to make arrangements. I will be mainly in PA, but would like to travel to San Antonio, TX and Tallahassee, FL as well, depending on God's provision of funds to do so.

I would ask you to pray about this with me. I truly believe the Lord wants me to return and complete His Plan for the Holocaust Survivors.

A vision...

God has been showing me a vision for most of the past year. I have been reluctant to share it as it makes no financial sense to me, but then He does say, "For My thoughts are not your thoughts..." (Isaiah 55:8) So, I am putting it out there.

The Lord has been speaking to me about buying a house to create a Hospitality House. I am sure this brings up two questions. The first one is probably, "*What is a Hospitality House?*" I will tell you. The Lord has been bringing before me a vision of a large house, with many bedrooms. In this house there is a large living room for prayer and praise; a room for a lending library, filled with Christian books, video and cassette tapes and a computer; a room just for quiet prayer; many bedrooms for believers coming to visit in the land; and a yard large enough to be used for gatherings. The entire idea of the Hospitality House is to make a place where people can feel comfortable to come anytime (open door policy ☺) for a cup of tea, conversation or prayer; a house where one can enter and feel the presence of the Holy Spirit. Anyone who attended the SAFE group in San Antonio, Texas, knows exactly what I am talking about. ☺ There is always a need for believers visiting Israel to find a place to stay since their funds are usually limited. If you or your church helps finance this, YOU would have a place to stay on your visits here! Several rooms could also be rented out to make this self-sustaining.

The second question might be, "*How in the world can you afford that?*" Well, the answer is "I can't, but God can." I have reached a point where I need to be obedient to the Lord and just put this idea out there. Maybe it is just an idea that God wants developed; maybe it is a project that someone else will do. I do not know. I simply know there is a need for facilities like this here in Israel. The house is clear in the vision and the Holy Spirit is there. If the Lord wants this to happen He will speak to the people who need to be involved. Whether it is someone looking to buy property in Israel, wanting to invest in a ministry or people who want to have a place to stay when they come - I do not know. But God does and I simply want to be obedient to Him in presenting this vision. Please pray about this with me. If you are interested to learn more, just email me at sueheagy2004@hotmail.com

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“I will make you [Abraham and his chosen descendants] into a great nation and I will bless you; I will make your name great, and you will be a blessing. **I will bless those that bless you and whoever curses you I will curse; and all peoples on earth will be blessed through you.** (Genesis 12:2-3, emphasis mine)

Whatever God speaks is always true. His promise here is more than whether or not you pray a blessing over a Jewish person you have met or for the peace of Jerusalem, though these are excellent things to do. It is a matter of the heart. We say we want to know God better, more intimately and have a greater impact on others in our life. But it is all related to this statement concerning the Jewish people. In order to come closer to the Blessor Himself, you need to come closer to the ones He chose to make a great nation. Your life, your relationship with God, will be affected by your relationship and response to Israel and her people. Yahweh is waiting to pour out your blessings, but He is waiting for you. If you believe in and are seeking the God of Abraham, move closer and embrace all of Israel.

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My heartfelt thanks to each of you who are upholding this ministry in prayer and support as without you, this work would not see the light of day. You are special people! I pray God’s favor will be evident in your life. ☺

In His service - Susan Heagy

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