

**Our Mission:** To honor the Almighty God by establishing and funding Yeshua-centered programs of rescue, recovery and restoration to needy men, women and children in the land of Israel (*eretz Yisrael*).

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Serving the Lord God Almighty in the land that He has chosen for His own, is a privilege each of us shares. Together, we make up the team, Rescue In Israel. The Lord is using this team to reach the least, the last and the lost in Israel.

The men's recovery home that you help support is seeing the lives of drug addicts and alcoholics transformed by the power of Yeshua Hamashiach, Jesus Christ the Messiah. And, we will see the same thing happen as we develop a women's home, ministering the love of Yeshua to those caught in human trafficking.

However, this letter is focused on a open door that we did not see coming—yet it fits with our mission statement above. It's this unexpected door of opportunity that I want to share with you in this letter.

### **Serving Holocaust survivors in Israel!**

For the majority of us, the Holocaust is but a vague memory from the past. We sometimes hear news reports and see controversies, with some even trying to deny that such an event happened. For the majority of us, we will never know, personally a survivor of the Holocaust, let alone have an opportunity to be involved in some way in their lives. This letter, and your response will change that.

Recently, the Lord opened a door for us—you and I, to serve Holocaust survivors—like Matl Bass.

Matl was raised in Germany. He was very small when the war started. The village he lived in was burned to the ground and many of his family and friends died in the Holocaust. His family was able to hide him in an underground location in a forest in Germany. There he was able to survive and was privileged to participate in a choir with other young Jewish people. He is now 80 years old and has lived in Israel for 20 years.



Even though the State of Israel gives them some help, many still live in poverty. *“Of the 193,000 Holocaust survivors living in Israel today, some 50,000 live in poverty.”* JPost July 2015.

Fox News has reported, *“..., many still suffer deep psychological trauma as the result of their Holocaust experiences.”* April 2014

It is into this scene that the Lord has given Rescue In Israel—you and me—the privilege of helping these wonderful people. We are able to do this with food supplies and personal relationships with our team in Israel.



Large quantities of prepackaged food items are delivered to the men's recovery house. The men take these food items and put them into individual sacks, then deliver them personally to the Holocaust survivors.

The Holocaust survivors are blessed in the receiving, the men are blessed in the giving, and you are blessed because your gift helps make all this happen.

Your faithfulness in giving provides for the staff to operate the work of rescue in Israel; provides for the home where the men live and receive biblically based recovery programs in order to rise above their addiction.

Through all this, they become men of God in Israeli society, and they learn to serve others through service opportunities like providing food to Holocaust survivors.



Gene, our director in Israel is given the opportunity to share words of encouragement with the Holocaust survivors. He and the men are able to demonstrate God's love in this act of service.

To add to your gift, we have included a special response form, "**My Message of Encouragement to You...**", for you to send a message to the Holocaust survivors we are privileged to serve.

Your message should be one of encouragement, support and of your prayers for them. We leave the task of sharing the Good News of the Gospel to Gene and the men as the Lord opens doors for them to do so.

If you are going to send a message, please make sure it reaches us before August 10. At that time we will forward them on to Gene and he will share them with the Holocaust survivors

Thank you and may the Lord bless you for caring for Israel and the needy in the land.

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P.S. Your regular gifts are still important for the ongoing operation of Rescue In Israel. In addition to your regular gift, please join me in giving an extra gift as you are able in our efforts to bless those who have suffered so greatly during the Holocaust.