An Evening to Remember

“I represent thousands of Christians from all over the world, who have that same desire to give you dear Holocaust Survivors as much as it is in our ability, a little joy, some peace of mind and lots of loving care in this part of your life. We will not forget what happened to you….We are teaching it to our children and grandchildren, to our communities and beyond so that this will never happen again.”

As Yudit Setz of ICEJ AID finished speaking, the Haifa Home Convention centre erupted in applause. In attendance were over 2000 Holocaust survivors along with Israeli dignitaries and politicians. The gala event, organized by Yad Ezer L'Chaver, served as a night to honour both the Holocaust Survivors themselves and the ICEJ for the generous donations used to purchase and renovate the facility. Dr. Jurgen Buehler, Executive Director of the ICEJ, addressed the crowd as well, declaring that we as Christians stand with and support the nation of Israel.

The Haifa Home, once completed, will house around 100 Holocaust Survivors, providing full time assisted living in which they receive loving care. Final renovations are underway and the second elevator will be completed soon, but there is still some work remaining. It is our desire at ICEJ AID to see this project through to completion. This event night was just a small glimpse of the impact that Christian love and support can have on the lives and hearts of those in need within Israel.

Shimon Sabag Director of Yad Ezer L'Chaver
and Dr. Jurgen Buehler
From Heart to Heart

Many of the survivors living in the Haifa Home were for many years lonely and forgotten. When they see that there are people among the nations who care for them, enough to even send them a personal note, they are overwhelmed and touched by the gesture.

Yudit took time to read to Esther, one of the survivors, a postcard from one of the adopters of the ICEJ family. Tears came to her eyes as she realized that someone far away wrote a note with her specifically in mind!

We were also excited to see Elizabeta back in the home following a hospitalization and the death of her only grandson. We brought with us a special gift from an adopter which brought a smile to her face and was a great encouragement to her at such trying time.

Note to adopters: If you wish to send a short note to the person whose story you have been given, please send it to ICEJ AID and we will pass it along. We suggest a postcard with a brief and sensitive message.

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