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Subject: Invitation for the President to attend a gala tribute dinner on behalf of the Anti-Defamation League's Jewish Foundation for Christian Rescuers to Lewis and Jack Rudin on Jan 10, 91 -- If unable to attend, requests message

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WASHINGTON

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FROM: ELLEN STRICHARTZ
Special Letter Response
Presidential Correspondence
Room 93, Ext. 2276

January 8, 1991

Dear Mr. Rudin:

Because our nation's greatness will be measured less by our wealth than by our willingness to help others, I am delighted to have learned that you are being honored by the Anti-Defamation League of B'nai B'rith Jewish Foundation for Christian Rescuers for your generosity and hard work in behalf of your fellowman.

You have earned the admiration of your colleagues and neighbors through your commitment to the values that have made our nation great -- duty, sacrifice, and a patriotism that finds its expression in voluntary community service. Your efforts illustrate how each of us can make a difference in the lives of others, how each of us can be a shining "Point of Light" in our community. I commend you for your achievements.

Barbara joins me in wishing you continued success and every happiness in the future. God bless you.

Sincerely,

A
GEORGE BUSH

Mr. Lewis Rudin
New York, New York

GB/DM/TD/Counsel/SMG/ES/TL/pw (1PRE - Rudin-L.ltr)
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cc: Don McLaughlin, Room 100 OEOb

SENT EXPRESSED MAIL TO:
Mr. Abraham H. Foxman
National Director
Anti-Defamation League of B'nai B'rith
823 United Nations Plaza
New York, New York 10017

December 20, 1990

Dear Mr. Foxman:

Thank you for your letter of December 19 inviting the President to attend a gala tribute dinner on behalf of the Anti-Defamation League's Jewish Foundation for Christian Rescuers to Lewis and Jack Rudin on January 10.

While the President appreciates your extending this opportunity to him, due to the heavy commitments of his official responsibilities, we are unable to schedule his attendance. I know that you will understand that with the tremendous demands on the President's time, we must often miss special opportunities as is the case this time.

We have forwarded your request for a written message to the appropriate office for consideration. You can expect to hear directly from them regarding this request.

I know that the President in regretting would want me to convey to you his very best wishes for a successful event.

Sincerely,

JOSEPH W. HAGIN II
Deputy Assistant to the President
for Appointments and Scheduling

Mr. Abraham H. Foxman
National Director
Anti-Defamation League of B'nai B'rith
823 United Nations Plaza
New York, New York 10017

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Mr. Jack Rudin
New York, New York

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FROM: KATHY JEA VONS
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Mr. Rudin!
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Dear 1-:

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Sincerely,

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cc: Don McLaughlin, 150 EOB

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Mr. Lewis Rudin

New York, New York

Mr. Jack Rudin

New York, New York

Mail to: Mr. Abraham H. Foxman
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December 19, 1990

The President
The White House
Washington, DC 20500

Dear Mr. President:

It is with great pleasure that I invite you to join in a gala tribute dinner on behalf of the Anti-Defamation League's Jewish Foundation for Christian Rescuers to Lewis and Jack Rudin, two of New York's most exemplary civic leaders. The Rudins will be honored on Thursday, January 10th at the New York Hilton and we hope that your calendar will permit your being with us for that special evening.

The Jewish Foundation for Christian Rescuers was formed to assist those courageous men and women who risked their own lives to save Jews from the Nazi nightmare. Many of these brave souls who exemplify all that is best in our Judeo-Christian tradition are, in their declining years, suffering from loneliness and want. The Foundation provides them with a financial stipend as well as personal visits to enable them to live out their years with some comfort and dignity, although nothing could possibly compensate them for the nobility of their deeds.

Many hundreds of corporate and community leaders will be present January 10th as we recognize the outstanding contributions of the Rudins and support the vital work of the ADL's Jewish Foundation for Christian Rescuers. If you are unable to join us, we do hope you will send a message that we may share with the Rudins and our entire assemblage.

With every good wish,

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads 'Abraham H. Foxman'. The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Abraham H. Foxman
National Director

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*It is too late to thank
the thousands of Christians
tortured and murdered by the Nazis
and their collaborators
because they helped Jews.*

*But we can—
and should—help
those remarkable rescuers
alive today who are old
and in need.*



POLISH JEWS IN 1947, WHO
WERE HIDDEN BY CHRIS-
TIAN RESCUERS DURING THE WAR

COVER ART: POLES NEAR VILNIUS WITH THE JEWISH GIRL THEY
RAISED DURING THE WAR. PHOTO FROM WARTIME

During the Nazi terror, extraordinary people provided desperate Jews with shelter from the storm.

For months and even years, these rescuers risked prison, deportation and death—and their families' safety—to save Jewish lives.

- They hid Jews in attics, cellars and barns, in closets and behind false walls.
- They passed off Jewish children as their own.
- They provided food and clothing, false papers and money for escape.
- When the risk became too great, they found other hiding places for the Jews they sheltered.



(photo: Gay Block 1988.)

JEW HIDDEN AS A
BOY DURING THE
WAR HUGS HIS
BELGIAN RESCUER.

These heroic men and women did what they believed was *right*, at a time when so many others looked away.

Today, many of these caring rescuers are aged, ill and often forgotten. They need money for living expenses, medical treatment or convalescent care. They yearn for a friendly visit or call.

The Foundation helps many such rescuers in need. Here are a few of their gripping stories . . .

UKRAINE (USSR): TANYA SVOBODA*

Tanya Svoboda was a young sewing teacher in a small village in the Nazi-controlled Ukraine—an area filled with German soldiers and local collaborators.

At great risk, she and her mother brought food to Jews imprisoned in a nearby labor camp, and she was shot in the leg for doing so. When the camp was liquidated, she hid six Jews in her tiny attic for more than two years.

After the war, Tanya's life was threatened because she had helped Jews. She emigrated to New York and found work as a low-wage seamstress.



PRE-WAR JEWISH FAMILY IN POLAND. PARENTS/CHILD IN FOREGROUND WERE SAVED BY POLISH CHRISTIANS.

Now 74 years old, Tanya lives entirely from her meager Social Security check. Her health is poor.

The JFCR sends her a monthly grant, helping her to defray extensive medical costs and enabling her to lead a more dignified life.

The Foundation has also fulfilled her lifetime wish to erect tombstones for her mother and sister, who are buried in the Ukraine.

*For reasons of privacy, each rescuer appears here under a pseudonym.

HOLLAND: JAN NEUHOF

Jan Neuhof was an upholsterer, who lived with his wife and two small children in a spacious apartment above his shop. When a Jewish friend sought refuge, he built a false wall in the attic and hid her there.

During the next four years, other Jews, mostly strangers to the Neuhofs, sought and received refuge in their home. They hid 10 to 12 Jews at a time, and once as many as 22. All were given free rein of the apartment—despite the danger of being detected from the street.

Jan was betrayed by one of his own employees, but he managed to transfer everyone to safety in the nick of time. In all, the Neuhofs saved 37 Jews.

After the war, Jan's wife died of tuberculosis. Jan remarried and moved to America to start a new life.

Now 79 and a resident of California, Jan suffers from cancer. His treatment and his wife's extended illness have left them financially drained.

The JFCR's monthly grant has helped him to afford chemotherapy, and helps cover the ongoing costs of home care for his wife.



RESCUED GIRL WITH CHRISTIAN PLAYMATES DURING THE WAR



TEENAGE POLISH RESCUER (c. 1943) WHOSE FATHER WAS SHOT FOR HIDING JEWS

POLAND: ANNA GRECZYNSKI

Anna Greczynski, a Warsaw health worker, was permitted into the ghetto to monitor the spread of disease. She visited the ghetto often, smuggling in clothing, medicine and money. She often left the ghetto with Jewish children in hand, declaring them to be "terrible" health risks.



JEWISH GIRL DURING THE WAR, TAKEN IN BY CHRISTIANS IN LITHUANIA

In this way, she rescued many children, placing them in Christian homes and overseeing their safety through a network of Gentile co-workers.

In October 1943, she was arrested, severely tortured by the Gestapo and saved from execution only by a bribe from the underground.

After the war, she was bitterly resented by some Poles for her rescue efforts. For many years she was forced to assume a false identity.

Today Anna is an 80-year-old, bed-ridden Warsaw resident needing full-time care. Her only child has a severe heart condition and cannot work.

The JFCR sends Anna a monthly grant. The Foundation arranged for her son to see a heart specialist abroad, and assists with other medical needs.

A Foundation volunteer writes to Anna frequently, letting her know that she is not forgotten.

ITALY: ENRICO D'ANGELO

Enrico D'Angelo, an Italian businessman in Budapest, saved almost 3,000 Hungarian Jews during the last six weeks of German rule.

After the Spanish envoy fled Budapest, D'Angelo boldly posed as the envoy's designated successor. In this guise, he undertook dramatic rescue activities for which he had no "official" authority.



JEWISH WOMAN IN HIDING HOLDS CHILD OF HER POLISH RESCUERS.

Working during the same period as Raoul Wallenberg, he maintained several safe-houses and issued protective papers. He intervened with high-level Hungarian officials, snatched Jews from SS transports and stopped Hungarian Arrow Cross gunmen from murdering residents of a safe-house.

Now 81 years old, D'Angelo and his wife live near poverty in Padua. They lack



JEWISH GIRL DURING THE WAR. POLES NEAR VILNIUS RAISED HER WHILE HIDING HER MOTHER.

proper medical care; until recently, they had no telephone. His remarkable story is only now receiving the public attention it deserves.

The JFCR provides the couple with a monthly grant, enabling them to begin living a better life.

The Jewish Foundation for Christian Rescuers helps more than 700 such courageous men and women in 13 countries. The Foundation:

- **sends monthly grants** to ease their financial burdens, and
- **provides companionship** to isolated rescuers through the *Reyim* ("friends") project for volunteers.

These modest, dignified people are often reluctant to ask for help. They acted without expecting reward, then or now. Yet many express their deep gratitude for the Foundation's support.

The Foundation's second major focus is education. The JFCR sponsors conferences and curricula, as well as supports publications and films, on the rescuers and the values of altruism and moral courage they embodied.

In 1990, for example, the Foundation, in cooperation with Princeton University, sponsored the conference "Moral Courage During the Holocaust and in a Post-Holocaust World." More than 140 educators, clergy and media professionals attended this national gathering.

Through such activities, the JFCR helps ensure that the rescuers' example lives on as an inspiration to us, to our children, and to all people.

HOW YOU CAN HELP

To become involved with the JFCR, you can:

- **Contribute** money to help rescuers in financial need.
- **Volunteer** to visit, call or write to a lonely rescuer.
- **Arrange** for a rescuer or survivor to speak in your community.
- **Organize** a meeting or forum about the JFCR's activities in your community.



**JEWISH WOMAN, SAVED
AS A CHILD BY POLISH
CHRISTIANS, IS MARRIED
c. 1965.**

ABOUT YOUR CONTRIBUTIONS

Here are some facts you may want to know:

- Three-quarters of the Foundation's annual program budget is earmarked for monthly stipends to rescuers.
- The Anti-Defamation League assumes most of the Foundation's overhead costs. Therefore, your contribution directly supports the work of the Foundation.
- Whenever possible, the Foundation works in partnership with Holocaust survivors who were rescued.
- Because it has made a moral commitment to help needy rescuers for the rest of their lives (at a long-term cost of \$3-5 million), the Foundation seeks multi-year gifts in particular.
- Contributions are tax-deductible (to the extent allowed by law).

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