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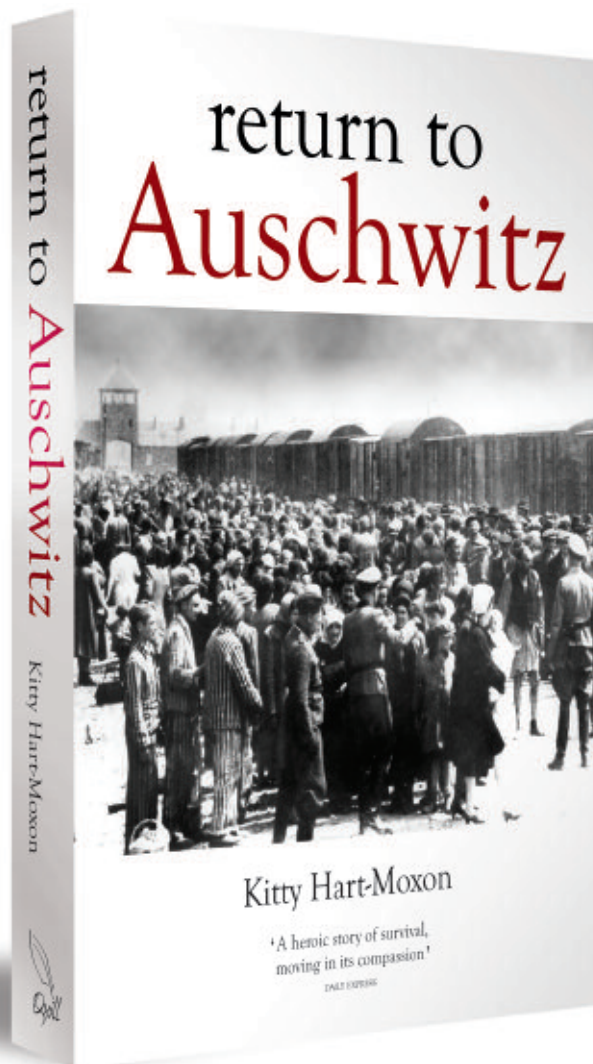
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## NEW BOOKS 2007



### Return to Auschwitz

**Kitty Hart-Moxon**  
**New, updated edition with  
comprehensive index**

*Return to Auschwitz* is a moving, eyewitness account of the horrors endured by a young Polish girl in the Holocaust, and particularly in Auschwitz. It tells of her remarkable survival – and her return many years later to the site of her persecution.

Kitty Hart-Moxon was just twelve years old at the outbreak of the Second World War and fifteen when she and her mother were deported to Auschwitz. Amazingly, she managed to survive the daily terror that she faced and was eventually freed from Salzwedel camp by American troops in 1945. Since then she has been a dedicated speaker on the Holocaust and is now a recognised authority on Auschwitz.

*"A heroic story of survival, moving in its compassion."*

*Daily Express*

254 pp., paperback

**Price: £7.50**

## NEW BOOKS 2007



### If The Stars Could Only Speak

**Batsheva Dagan**  
**Translated by Ziona Schaffer**  
**Illustrations by Avi Katz**

A moving and sensitively written children's book by Holocaust survivor and educationalist Batsheva Dagan. *If The Stars Could Only Speak* tells the story of a Jewish mother and her children torn apart – but eventually reunited – by the events of the Holocaust. Specially written for use in schools with children aged ten upwards and an excellent introduction to the difficult issues of the Holocaust.

*"The children were enthralled by the story and great discussions followed around the characters – prisoners and perpetrators... Each child could access and understand the pain and challenges of the victims.."*

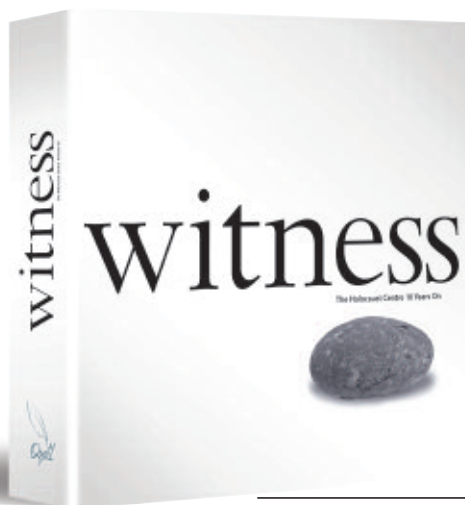
*I shall definitely use this book each time when Year 6 try to make sense of the atrocity which was the Holocaust."*

*Jackie Lunan, Year 6 teacher, St. John the Evangelist Catholic Primary School, Bradford*

24 pp., hardback

**Price: £4.99**

## The Holocaust Centre



### Witness The Holocaust Centre 10 Years On

A commemorative volume published in 2005 for the 10th anniversary of the opening of the Holocaust Centre. Over 400 pages record the highlights of the first ten years and over 400 voices bear witness to the Centre's impact in so many national and international spheres.

*"The Holocaust Centre, Beth Shalom, has performed an important role in educating a new generation to the memory of the Holocaust and all that implies for the fight for freedom, tolerance and mutual respect."*

*The Chief Rabbi, Sir Jonathan Sacks*

455 pp., paperback

**Price: £25.00**



### Making Memory Creating Britain's First Holocaust Centre

**Stephen D. Smith**

In this thought-provoking introduction to the concept and creation of the Holocaust Centre, Beth Shalom, Stephen Smith eloquently describes the journey he and his family took in establishing the first Holocaust Centre in Britain.

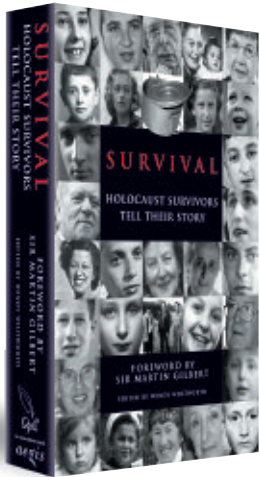
*"It shows what ingenuity, resourcefulness, determination, dedication, a sense of purpose and a belief in a cause can achieve."*

*Ben Helfgott, Holocaust survivor*

170 pp., hardback

**Price: £10.00**

# Holocaust Survivor Testimonies



## Survival Holocaust Survivors Tell Their Story

Edited by Wendy Whitworth  
Foreword by Sir Martin Gilbert

A collection of 46 brief testimonies by Holocaust survivors closely connected with the Holocaust Centre, Beth Shalom. A unique volume covering the whole range of survivors' experiences: concentration and death camps, death marches, ghettos, resistance, hidden children, refugees and *Kindertransportees*. The testimonies are short, accessible and provide important opportunities for discussion and follow-up work in schools.

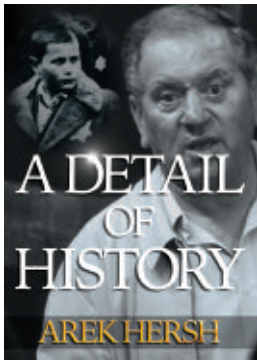
*"The testimonies carefully gathered here are about more than survival. They beckon their readers to stand up for what is right and good."*

John K. Roth, Director, Center for the Study of the Holocaust, Genocide, and Human Rights, Claremont McKenna College, USA

426 pp., paperback

**Price: £10.00**

10 or more copies **£7.50 each**



## A Detail of History

Arek Hersh

Arek Hersh was a child in the Lodz ghetto and survived Auschwitz as a 14-year-old orphan. He tells his story simply and honestly, the moving account of a young Polish boy who made his own luck and survived.

*"A truly inspirational story."*

Amazon reader's review

163 pp., paperback

**Price: £7.50**



## From Belsen to Buckingham Palace

Paul Oppenheimer

Paul Oppenheimer and his brother and sister were taken to Bergen-Belsen as children. This unsentimental and very readable book gives readers personal insights into the real lives of three young survivors, their hopes and fears, their lives and fates.

*"Good writing, good information, very interesting; in other words, A GOOD BOOK."*

Leon Greenman, OBE, Auschwitz survivor

182 pp., paperback

**Price: £7.50**



## The Odyssey of John Chillag, a Hungarian Jew Born in Vienna From Győr in Hungary to Australia and England via Auschwitz and Buchenwald

John Chillag interviewed in Bochum, Germany, by Hubert Schneider

John, the only survivor of a large family of 60, enquired in the early 1950s through the Red Cross International Tracing Service whether there was any information on the fate of any of his family members. The Red Cross could only trace two people, John and his father – all the others had perished in the gas chambers of Auschwitz-Birkenau. The certificate on John's father ended with the words, "and he is buried in Bochum Wiemelhausen Jewish cemetery". It was a most improbable story, but it was true, and unravelling the full facts took over half a century.

*"It is so helpful to students' understanding to have a personal story to focus upon. The whole topic of the Holocaust is so vast, and the numbers involved so huge, that it takes an individual's journey through the horror to enable them to fully make the connection that this was happening to real people, still alive today."*

Helen Snelson, History Department, Harrogate Grammar School

60pp., spiral bound

**Price: £4.99**



## One of the Lucky Ones Rescued by the Kindertransport

**Bob Rosner interviewed by David Turner**

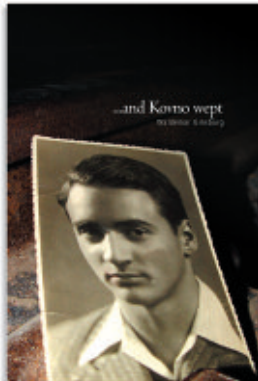
Born in Vienna, Bob Rosner was nearly nine when his parents made the agonizing decision to send him and his sister to safety in England via the *Kindertransport* organization. Bob describes his journey into the unknown, his early experiences as a boy in Hull, and the three 'miracles' that happened in 1947 – his discovery that his parents had survived the Holocaust; becoming a British citizen; and obtaining a university scholarship.

*"On one level this is a gripping story, with twists and turns of a kind that might seem improbable in a work of fiction; on another level, it is a telling document of perhaps the darkest period in twentieth-century European history; and on a third level it is a testimony to human nature both at its most despicable and at its most courageous. Yet one of the most remarkable things is that the central character, who speaks without self-pity, emerges with such a positive outlook."*

*David Turner, Reader Emeritus, German, University of Hull*

50 pp., spiral bound

**Price: £4.99**



## ...and Kovno Wept

**Waldemar Ginsburg**

During the Nazi occupation of Lithuania, over 90 per cent of the Jewish population were murdered by the Nazis and their collaborators. Among them were the family and friends of Waldemar Ginsburg. This powerfully written and moving story describes the struggle for survival in the Kovno ghetto. Waldemar is one of the few remaining survivors of the ghetto, where he lived and worked until its final liquidation in 1944.

*"I was really inspired by your words... I thought to myself, 'Why did no one help you?'"*

*Danny Smith, Tong School, Bradford*

134 pp., paperback

**Price: £7.50**



## Let One Go Free

**Hannah Hickman**

In June 1939, a Jewish family in Würzburg, Germany, sent their 11-year-old daughter Hannah to school in England to escape the effects of Nazi rule. She never saw her parents or brother and sister again.

*"Let One Go Free... [is] not simply the story of one child who escaped with the Kindertransport to England, but an evocative family portrait with vivid recollections of the life of an assimilated German-Jewish family in Würzburg in the 1930s."*

*Professor Edward Timms, Director, Centre for German-Jewish Studies, University of Sussex*

120 pp., paperback

**Price: £4.99**



## Beyond Imagination

**Victoria Ancona-Vincent**

From an early childhood in Jerusalem, Victoria Ancona-Vincent describes her experiences in Brussels, Alexandria, Milan and ultimately Auschwitz-Birkenau, where she was a prisoner for over eight months. She spent four months on the move in treacherous conditions during the death marches, and a further four months recuperating before she could return to Milan. Her marriage to a British soldier soon followed and Victoria moved to Nottingham, England, over 50 years ago.

*"Victoria Ancona-Vincent has condensed her experiences into a short, but highly informative autobiographical account. Her attention to detail goes back to the period of her captivity, when she realised the importance of remembering things accurately."*

*Stephen D. Smith, Founder and Director, The Holocaust Centre*

80 pp., paperback

**Price: £3.99**



## Did You Ever Meet Hitler, Miss? A Holocaust Survivor Talks to Young People

**Trude Levi**

**In association with Vallentine Mitchell**

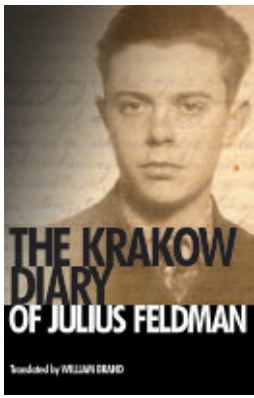
Trude Levi answers questions asked by schoolchildren and students about her experiences in the Holocaust, and the consequences for her life thereafter. Her book deals with personal history and the questions it poses.

*"Trude Levi's straightforward and honest approach to the questions she has been asked ensures that this is a book that every school library should have."*

*Fiona Assersohn, former Head of History, John Smeaton Community High School, Leeds*

126 pp., paperback

**Price: £7.50**



## The Krakow Diary of Julius Feldman

Translated by William Brand

After the war, Polish workers restoring a Krakow building which had been part of Plaszow forced labour camp discovered a manuscript, hidden in the wall. It was a diary, written during the Holocaust by one of its victims. "How terribly I feel the lack of my beloved father, whom everyone knew...", Julius Feldman concludes mid-sentence, 11 April 1943. He was 19 years old. This is his story, with its extraordinary insights into the daily life and tragedy of the Krakow ghetto and Plaszow concentration camp.

*"Julius Feldman's record, part memoir and part diary, brings to life the constant fears and desperate hopes, the daily grind and the appalling personal tragedies of life in the Krakow ghetto in ways that only an eyewitness account written in the heart of those events possibly could."*

Stephen D. Smith, Founder and Director, The Holocaust Centre

112 pp., paperback

**Price: £4.00**



## The Disappearance of Goldie Rapaport

Gina Schwarzmann with Evelyn Julia Kent

Many stories of courage have been told about the sacrifices made by individuals and families during the Second World War, but this one will stir the emotions of all who read it. It is the true and moving account of the Jewish Polish childhood of Goldie (Gina), separated from her family at the age of seven and sent to a Christian family for safety.

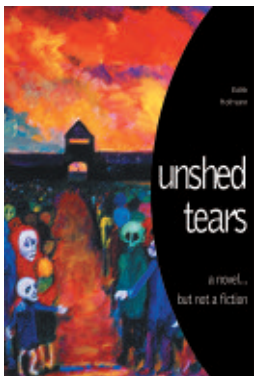
*"Goldie's peaceful childhood world is torn apart by Nazi brutality. The sadness is relieved by the courage and kindness of so many people and by the spirit of integrity that shines like a guiding light throughout."*

John O'Toole

219 pp., paperback

**Price: £4.99**

# Holocaust Literature



## Unshed Tears

Edith Hofmann

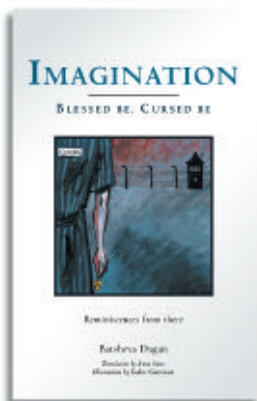
A novel, but not a fiction. Originally from Prague, Edith Hofmann was a schoolgirl survivor of Auschwitz and Belsen and is now known as an artist of the Holocaust. It was more than 50 years before this novel describing her experience was discovered and published. Filled with tragedy and extraordinary hope, it is eminently accessible to young people.

*"It is a raw and aching testimony both to her survival, and to her bid to survive survival. Although written in the third person, this is a personal account of the author's wartime experiences."*

Stephen D Smith, Founder and Director, The Holocaust Centre

468 pp., paperback

**Price: £4.99**



## Imagination: Blessed Be, Cursed Be Reminiscences from there

Batsheva Dagan

Translation by Anna Sotto; illustrations by Yaakov Guterman

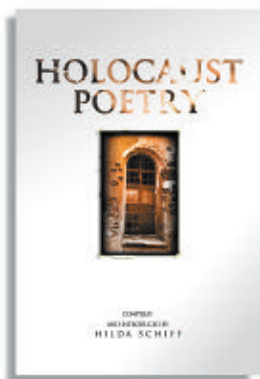
Batsheva Dagan is a survivor of Auschwitz. In this compilation she records in a cycle of original, documentary poems the experiences of a girl who reaches adolescence in the Nazi concentration camps. It is a voyage into a unique past, written partly in rhyme and in direct, understated language which is meaningful to young people. The design and illustrations by Yaakov Guterman add a special dimension to the text.

*"Batsheva Dagan describes the existential issues in a concentration camp with which adolescents can identify and empathize. In her straightforward poems about the life of a group of young inmates, their humanity and faith in the future is palpable throughout. A useful aid for teachers and their young students."*

Ziona Schaffer, Lecturer, Oranim College of Education, Kiryat Tivon, Israel

96 pp., paperback

**Price: £3.95**



## Holocaust Poetry

Compiled and introduced by Hilda Schiff

Long recognised as a standard work by students of Holocaust literature, Hilda Schiff's volume *Holocaust Poetry* is a lasting and solemn tribute to the memory of those killed in the Holocaust, and an expression of shared hope for the future. The volume includes 119 poems by 59 poets.

*"The power of verse to encompass a topic of mammoth scope and render it into painstakingly personal detail is keenly demonstrated in this absorbing and well thought-out anthology of grief."*

*Publishers Weekly*

258 pp., paperback

**Price: £4.99**

## Specially for Schools



## Learning about the Holocaust

Stephen D. Smith

Using a highly accessible format, this 40-page, full-colour book presents readers with an accurate overview of the Holocaust in its historical context. Now in its second edition, over 200 carefully chosen images complement the text. While it is aimed primarily at secondary school pupils, *Learning about the Holocaust* provides a well-researched and extremely user-friendly introduction to the history of the Holocaust for any reader.

*"The Learning about the Holocaust booklet is a fantastic summary of the main causes, events and implications of the Holocaust. This is a superb resource for teachers and in particular students, who respond to the direct, precise and informative text."*

*Ruth Lodge, Head of RS, Hipperholme and Lightcliffe High School, Halifax*

34 pp., paperback

**Price: £2.50**

10-20 copies **£2.25 each** 21-30 copies **£2.00 each**



## The Holocaust and Genocide: Why Does It Happen?

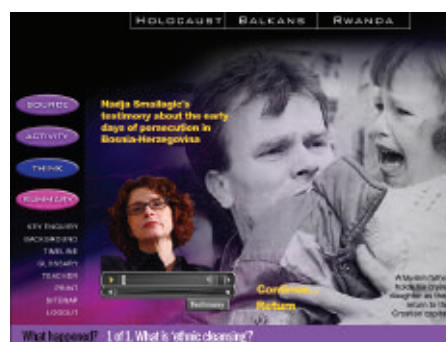
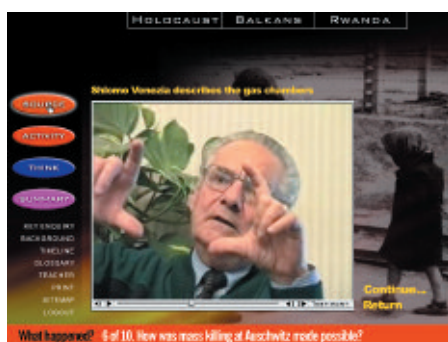
In association with Hodder Murray

This fully interactive, networkable CD-ROM offers an innovative approach to teaching and learning about the Holocaust and modern-day genocide to students aged 11–16. It draws on a rich selection of source material, including audio files and video clips containing archive footage and survivors' testimony. It provides extensive coverage of the Holocaust, and draws comparisons with events in Rwanda and the Balkans, enabling effective integration of the resource into RE and Citizenship lessons. It encourages meaningful historical investigation as well as the exploration of human rights and the relevance of past events to today's society. The resource also includes adaptable student activities designed to stimulate thinking skills and understanding.

*"This remarkable educational software allows teachers and learners to bring survivors into the classroom to share their experiences of genocide... Many department heads within UK secondary schools have lauded the approach of the content, which aims not only to explain what happened, but to encourage students to explore for themselves and reach their own conclusions."*

*Steve Connolly, Digital and ICT Publisher, Hodder Murray*

**Price: £199.00** (includes one network licence)



# Citizenship Education

Special Reduction  
for 2007



## Refuge

### Learning about Refugees with Refugees

#### A Citizenship Education Project

This comprehensive resource contains 19 short films, a teacher's guide with scheme of work, lesson guidelines, worksheets, documents, picture gallery, concept cards, maps and profiles of refugees. It raises questions about perceptions of refugees and asylum seekers, the role of the media, human rights and responsibilities, democracy, global interdependence, conflict resolution and the impact of extreme ideologies.

*"The Refuge Project films are excellent – just the right timing, very good to engage class interest and stimulate discussion."*

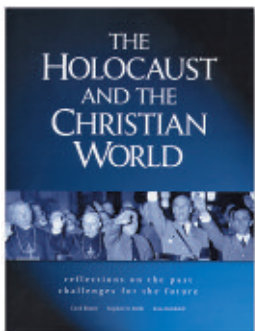
*Ailish D'Arcy, Head of Careers and History Teacher, West Bridgford Comprehensive School, Nottinghamshire*

*"This carefully researched resource is a valuable support to teachers in this very important field."*

*Tony Breslin, Chief Executive, Citizenship Foundation*

**Price: £90.00** (usual retail price £150)

# Holocaust and Genocide Studies



## The Holocaust and the Christian World

### Edited by Carol Rittner, Stephen D. Smith & Irena Steinfeldt

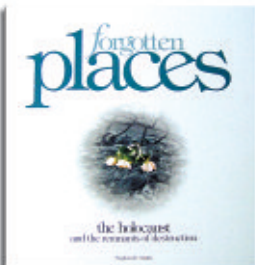
This comprehensive volume is one of the most wide-ranging works to confront the role of Christianity during the Nazi period, and contains articles by the foremost scholars in the field. An ideal starting point for Christians encountering the Holocaust, an essential text for students addressing the subject and a valuable reference work for seasoned scholars.

*"How was it possible? The Nazi genocide of the Jews – the people of Jesus himself, the Virgin Mary and the first Christians – took place in the heartland of Christian civilization. To make sure nothing like it ever happens again is our plainest duty. Prepare to be challenged and moved."*

*Clifford Longley, Columnist, The Tablet and Daily Telegraph, and author*

282 pp., paperback and hardback

**Price: £10.00** (paperback) **£15.00** (hardback)



## Forgotten Places

### The Holocaust and the Remnants of Destruction

#### Stephen D. Smith

A photographic essay about sites of former Jewish life and the Holocaust in Poland, challenging the reader to reflect on their meaning and on memory. It pays respect to those who died and seeks to challenge the ways in which we remember their passing, two generations on.

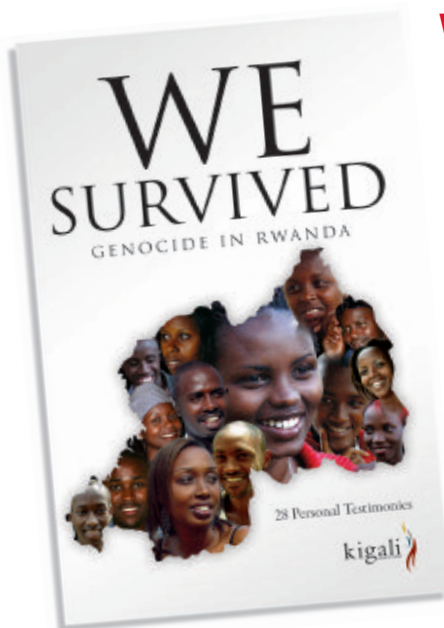
*"A poignant and invaluable reminder of what was left after the Holocaust of once-thriving communities."*

*Arek Hersh, Survivor*

86 pp., hardback

**Price: £12.00**

# Rwandan Genocide



## **We Survived Genocide in Rwanda: 28 Personal Testimonies**

**Edited by Wendy Whitworth**

**In association with Kigali Memorial Centre, Rwanda**

These personal testimonies of survivors of the Rwandan genocide remind us above all that the cost of genocide is a human one. Those who share their painful stories with us are some of the few who slipped through the net of total destruction in Rwanda. They were ordinary people, caught up in extraordinary circumstances. Years later, the void of loss is not filled, but they look ahead to the future and strive towards unity and reconciliation.

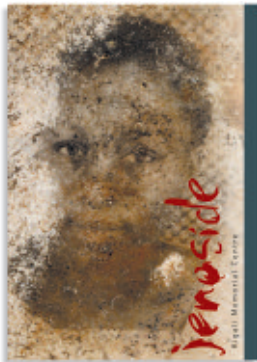
*"These moving accounts by survivors of the Rwandan genocide... should be read by everyone. Each one reminds us intensely of the human loss from genocide – men, women and children who are of equal value to people anywhere else, but were not considered important enough to be saved."*

*Lt Gen the Hon. Roméo A. Dallaire, Senator, Commander of UN forces in Rwanda, 1994*

279 pp., paperback

**Price: £10.00**

10 or more copies **£7.50 each**



## **Jenoside Kigali Memorial Centre Guidebook**

**In association with Kigali Memorial Centre, Rwanda**

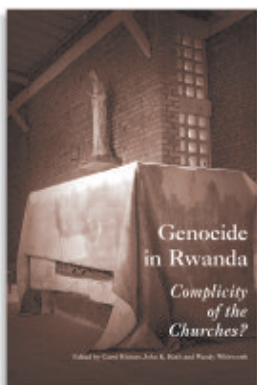
This is a full-colour, richly illustrated guidebook presenting the material from the Kigali Memorial Centre's exhibition on the Rwandan genocide. The Centre was opened in 2004 to mark the tenth anniversary of the Rwandan genocide and contains three permanent exhibitions – a documentary history of the genocide, a children's memorial and an exhibition on genocidal violence around the world. An excellent introduction to the genocide in Rwanda.

*"Memorials such as the Kigali Memorial Centre help to keep the memory alive... Through its exhibition, it challenges prejudice and discrimination, and provides lessons which can have a positive impact in the everyday life of Rwandans."*

*Franco K. Kanimba, Country Co-ordinator, Aegis Rwanda*

46 pp., paperback

**Price: £3.00**



## **Genocide in Rwanda Complicity of the Churches?**

**Edited by Carol Rittner, John K. Roth and Wendy Whitworth**

**In association with Paragon House, USA**

This provocative volume of essays and resources raises disturbing but essential questions about the 1994 genocide in Rwanda. Were the Christian Churches complicit in the genocide? If so, how and why? If not, why is there such a strong perception that they were? If the Christian Churches were complicit, can they ever recover from such ethical and moral failure?

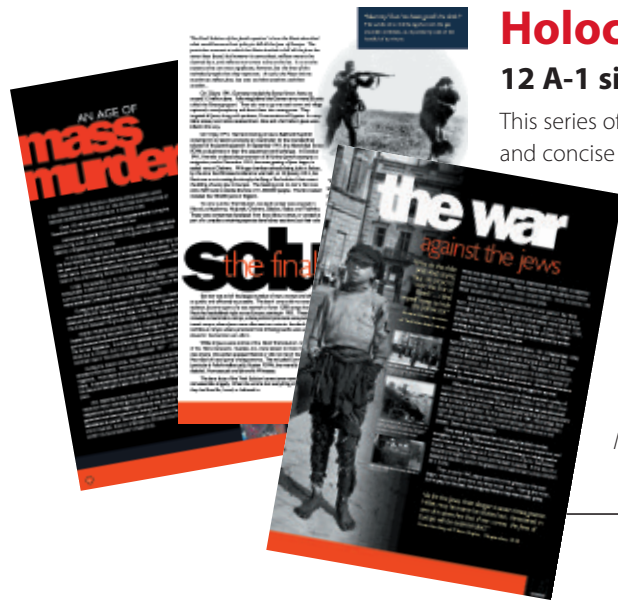
*"... No book explores as well or as comprehensively the highly important question of the role of religion and the churches in that terrible series of events..."*

*Richard L. Rubenstein, President Emeritus and Distinguished Professor of Religion, University of Bridgeport, USA*

318 pp., paperback

**Price: £10.00**

# Poster Sets



## Holocaust History

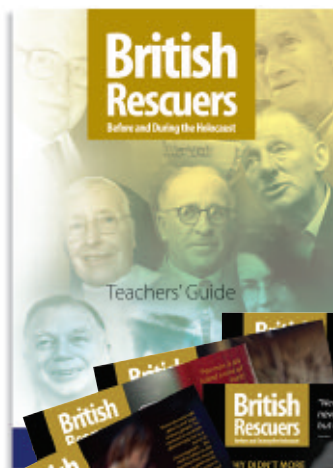
### 12 A-1 size posters

This series of 12 A1-size posters introduces the history of the Holocaust with powerful graphics and concise yet detailed text. It is ideal for use in schools. The posters stimulate pupils to ask questions and promote discussion, providing food for thought with moving and significant quotations from those involved.

*"The Holocaust Poster series has proved very useful both as a direct teaching aid and as a general stimulus. The posters contain extensive information presented in a lively and stimulating manner and have intrigued pupils even when they are not studying the subject. As a result they are keen to learn about the Holocaust and often refer to posters both to support their arguments and to ask questions."*

*Fiona Assersohn, Former Head of History, John Smeaton Community High School & Merlyn Rees High School, Leeds*

**Price per set: £15.00**



## British Rescuers before and during the Holocaust

### 8 A1-size, full-colour posters

A set of 8 posters and teachers' guide on the theme that "One Person Can Make A Difference", focussing on the courage of individuals who chose to help save lives before and during the Holocaust. The posters feature the stories of British rescuers recognised as Righteous Among The Nations by Yad Vashem (some little known) and the story of Nicholas Winton's rescue of hundreds of children through the

*Kindertransports. An invaluable resource for schools, colleges, libraries and all Holocaust Memorial Day organisers, and for Citizenship course teachers.*

*"The Beth Shalom 'Rescuers' poster series was used by organisers of Holocaust Memorial Day events in 2006 as a complement to the theme of "One Person Can Make A Difference". These posters made complex issues easy to understand for a variety of audiences and humanised events which can often be difficult to comprehend."*

*Louise Hector, Community Liaison Manager, Holocaust Memorial Day Trust*

Complete set, 8 posters and teachers' guide

**Price: £15.00**



## Rwandan Survivors

### 6 A1-size, full-colour posters

Visual, informative, educational, intensely moving; five Rwandan survivors share their personal experience of the 1994 genocide. Introduced by former International Development Secretary Clare Short, these eyewitness accounts highlight both the horror and the heroism. Historical context is moulded around each story, linking key aspects of the genocide, its precursors and aftermath to the personal account.

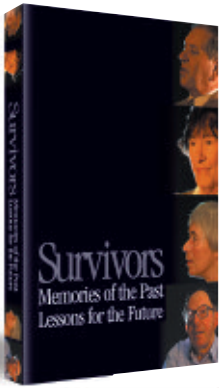
*"Leave none to tell the story' was the perpetrators' mantra. This is thwarted by the commitment of the survivors and Aegis to tell their stories. This fantastic set of posters gives a very good introduction to Rwanda and the tragic events of 1994, and ensures that the survivors' stories are told to the world."*

*Danielle Mbesherubusa, Social Programme Co-ordinator, Aegis Trust Rwanda*

**Price per set: £7.50**



# DVDs and Videos



## Survivors

### Memories of the Past, Lessons for the Future

Survivors is a short, 15-minute DVD presentation featuring four Holocaust survivors – Kitty Hart-Moxon, Arek Hersh, Paul Oppenheimer and Lisa Vincent – who all give insights into their own stories in a simple, concise manner, explaining what lessons they feel their experiences have for today. It is ideal for school assemblies and classroom work or for incorporation into a public commemorative event.

**Price: £6.99**

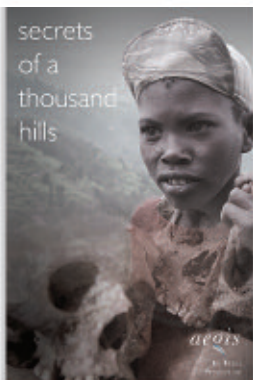


## Our Memory, Our Future Creating the Kigali Memorial Centre

The Kigali Memorial Centre gives dignity to the victims of the 1994 genocide in Rwanda, a voice to the experience of survivors, education for a new generation and a strong warning to the international community about the failure to protect. Above all, it gives hope for the future. This 18-minute DVD tells its story, from conception by Kigali City Council, through inspiration by the UK Holocaust Centre, to creation by the Aegis Trust, in conjunction with survivors and the City Council.

**Price: £6.99**

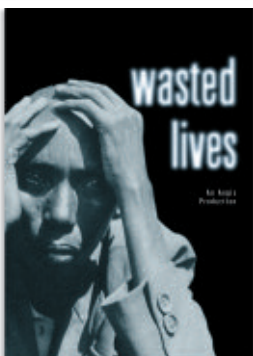
All profits from the sale of this DVD go to support the Kigali Memorial Centre.



## Secrets of a Thousand Hills

This 14-minute film on DVD examines some of the enormous challenges facing Rwanda in the wake of the genocide in 1994. It also confronts viewers with important questions about Western responsibility. It is ideal for educational use in secondary schools, or as an element in commemorative events for Holocaust Memorial Day.

**Price: £6.99**



## Wasted Lives

This hard-hitting 15-minute presentation examines three genocides that have taken place in the 20th century – Armenia, the Holocaust and Rwanda. The film is intended to stimulate questions about our understanding of genocide and asks how we might learn to prevent it. Ideal for upper secondary schools, public commemorations and informal educational events, *Wasted Lives* is a meaningful resource for Holocaust Memorial Day.

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