

Visit to Denmark by Yehuda Shaul/Breaking the Silence June 2015

Biography and Background Information

YEHUDA SHAUL

Yehuda Shaul was born and raised in Jerusalem in an ultra-Orthodox Jewish family.

After graduating from a Yeshiva High School in an Israeli settlement, Yehuda served in the IDF as an infantry combat soldier and commander posted in the West Bank towns of Bethlehem, Hebron and Ramallah.

In 2004, Yehuda founded Breaking the Silence with a group of fellow veterans. He serves as the organization's Director of Foreign Relations.

BREAKING THE SILENCE

Breaking the Silence is an organization of veteran soldiers who have served in the Israeli military since the start of the Second Intifada.

Breaking the Silence collects and publishes testimonies from soldiers who have served in the West Bank, Gaza and East Jerusalem. They conduct tours and hold lectures and other public events that bring to light the reality in the occupied Palestinian territories through the voice of former combatants.

Founded in March 2004 by a group of soldiers who served in Hebron, Breaking the Silence has since acquired a special standing in the eyes of the Israeli public and in the media, as it is unique in giving voice to the experience of soldiers. To date, the organization has collected testimonies from over a 1,000 soldiers who represent all strata of Israeli society and cover nearly all units that operate in the Territories.

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