



Israeli soldiers talk about the Occupied Territories

**Visit to Denmark by Yehuda Shaul/Breaking the Silence
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Biography and Background Information

YEHUDA SHAUL

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

Yehuda served in the Israeli Army 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. Initially serving as the directing manager of the organization, Yehuda has grown Breaking the Silence to be the leading human rights organization it is today. Yehuda currently serves as the organization's Co-Director and Director of Foreign Relations.



BREAKING THE SILENCE

Breaking the Silence is an organization of veteran soldiers who have served in the West Bank and Gaza since the start of the Second Intifada in 2000. Through collecting and publishing testimonies from soldiers and conducting tours and other public events, Breaking the Silence is working to generate a discussion in Israeli society about the occupation and human rights in the occupied Palestinian territories.

Breaking the Silence has acquired a special standing in 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 1,100 soldiers who represent all strata of Israeli society and cover nearly all units that operate in the occupied territories.

For more INFORMATION: <http://www.breakingthesilence.org.il>