

Voices of Survivors

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The Rescuers

A lady, a young lady, she was 17 years old, a Christian lady, her name was Julia Symchuck, she worked in a police station in February 1942, when she overheard a conversation between the Gestapo and the Ukraine police that they are about to pick up my father.

Early in the morning, she ran through deep snow to warn my father to run for his life. And because of this young Christian girl risking her life, I'm alive today.

My father found space with a lady –a Christian lady, who did not tell her husband, did not tell her two teen-age sons that she was taking my dad. She found space in a barn above a coop, a chicken coop. Myself, my mother, my brother and the Jewish teacher found space with the parents of Julia Symchuck who in February risked her life. In October, her parents risked their lives to take our family in.