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**061 Aisha Interview Translation**

**July 3, 2016**

**Bad Camberg, Germany**

**Aisha:** No.

We escaped from Latakia.

We escaped from Latakia. There was bombing. From Latakia. There was bombing and war.

We escaped to Turkey. We remained living in tents. Some of us got to travel to Germany. My husband traveled in a boat. The people who were steering this boat escaped and my husband ended up being responsible. The police took him and arrested him and he hasn't been out since.

Until now.

The Greek police.

Then I continued the way on my own with my children. I had six children with me.

Yes, and I was pregnant with a little girl.

And I suffered a lot.

In the sea.

I was on my own the whole way. I was pregnant.

From Turkey to Greece. They caught him in Greece and they put him in prison.

Greece

No, my husband is Palestinian. No.

Yes, I am Syrian.

It's been nine months now.

They were steering the boat. They left it in the middle of the sea and they jumped. We had many children on the boat so for the sake of the children's safety, my husband steered, meaning he took over.

The driver left us. He left us in the boat and escaped.

My husband was obligated to steer so he could save the children that were with him. Then they arrested him.

No it was a big boat. It had three hundred and fifty people. There was a lot of people.

In the water by fuel.

The boat was sinking.

The boat was sinking. It was sinking.

Yes

He is ill. He has high blood pressure and heart disease.

It was the nicest country.

Latakia.

It was beautiful and we were living happily. We were living happily.

Yes, life was very nice.

Praise be to God, there was everything.

He is from Latakia.

He is a Palestinian who migrated. Yes, he was raised there, and people introduced us and it was fate.

Thirty five, I was seventeen years old.

No, he was married before me and has two daughters, but they are in Syria.

Missiles and mortars were dropping. We escaped from death so we could save our children.

My children, three of my brother's children died. They were twenty years old. My sister's children and brother's children. They were all around the same age.

Yes, my family is still in Latakia.

My father had passed away. My mother and sisters.

They run away, of course.

My husband does many things, he doesn't have one particular job. Meaning he works as a fisherman and he does painting.

No, I was a housewife.

Of course I think of them, I fear for them. I have four young men who are gone they were all in their twenties. Yes, my sisters.

Yes.

Yes, praise be to God.

Smuggling.

We were smuggled out.

Car.

We didn't pay that day, it cost two thousand Syrian currency for all of us.

No.

I swear to God no, my uncle in Jordan sent us the money so we can get out.

I want my husband to come back to his children. My children are giving me a very very hard time here. I'm really exhausted with them on my own. I am really suffering in my life. I want him to get out of prison and come here to go back to restraining them. Two days ago, they took my son to a special school to discipline him because he is really making me suffer and causing problems for me. I am really suffering.

I was very tired on the way. I was very exhausted on my own on the way coming here, I suffered a lot. I don't have a brother nor a sister, I don't have anyone. I'm by myself with six children. I was living, I was pregnant.

They took my son to discipline him because he was causing a lot of trouble. He didn't want to go to school, he wants his father. They want to return to Turkey. He doesn't like living here. He is suffering a lot. I want my husband to come back to his children. My two-year-old daughter is always crying "I want my father, I want my father, I want my father". And my son is lying upstairs in the room with a broken leg from the bicycle. He also cries for his father. They are not used to living without a father, they are not used to living without their father for a moment.

Our life has been very difficult until now. No court, no residency, nothing. Nothing has been registered.

Eleven years old.

In tents. It was a mess. The whole thing was a mess. We were living in small tents. There were problems between everybody over bathrooms, food, and drinks. There were a lot of problems. We had become very tired in five years. We became very tired and suffered in the tents.

I continued the way, me and my children.

They allowed us, yes.

We reached here.

After Turkey, Greece.

About a week, also staying in tents until they gave us the documents so we can travel and leave.

I walked just like the rest of the people. I walked along with everyone else who was walking. I was pregnant and with six boys.

I walked along with everyone else who was walking, until I reached here. I remained in Serbia for four days sleeping on the muddy ground without food nor drink until we got that document. Until we were able to get here. We suffered a lot on the way.

Praise be to God, God gave us strength.

Patience.

From one country to the next, we would get off one train and board another, get off another train then board another.

Macedonia.

I can't remember their names anymore.

In the middle of the night, the train let us off three in the morning. Then we walked for about two or three hours until we reached the next train.

Praise be to God, I swear to God we are very happy. Praise be to God, Lord of the universe, we don't have to worry about bombings and missiles, oppression, and humiliation which we were living. We are very comfortable here.

I wish for my husband to get out of jail and return to his children. I wish a better life for my children. I wish my children a happy life and I hope their futures improve because my children are Palestinian they didn't have the right to study in Syria and they didn't have any rights in Syria.

They didn't have the right because of the war.

I wish a better life for my children and I hope they can live a stable and safer life, and I wish for my husband to return to his children so we can all be together again.

And my son who they took away from me was really making me suffer. I hope they return him to me and that he will be more aware and awake and know more.

Yes, I wish.

Yes, I wish.

I am so tired of this, I'm so tired. I was so tired on the way, I became very tired. I was five months pregnant. I was falling down on the way and my children and I were in a mess, and when I came here I am still tired until now. I am not comfortable in my life because I want my husband to come back to his children, for him to come and raise his children. We want to bring our lives back together again the way we were before.

Thank you.

No, I just want them to help me by helping my husband get out of prison and have him come here.

Thank you.