## The Arkansas Holocaust Education Committee and The Jewish Federation of Arkansas

A Presentation by Dr. Inge Auerbacher

Hosted by Congregation Etz Chaim and the Bentonville School District Bentonville West High School, 1351 Gamble Rd, Centerton 72719 Tuesday October 22<sup>rd</sup>, 2019, 7:00 PM



## Books by Dr. Inge Auerbacher

I am a Star: Child of the Holocaust Beyond the Yellow Star to America Finding Dr. Shantz: The Discovery of Streptomycin and a Life It Saved

Dr. Auerbacher has also reached out to the African - American Community by writing a book about her friends, Mary and Martha DeSaussure, who were pioneering track stars of Brooklyn, New York. The book is:

Running Against the Wind

Dr. Auerbacher was the last Jewish child born in Kippenheim, a village in South-Western Germany, close to the borders of France and Switzerland.

She was the only child of Berthold and Regina Auerbacher. Both of her parents came from observant Jewish families who had lived for many generations in Germany.

Dr. Auerbacher and her parents were deported in August 1942. She was seven years old; the youngest in a transport of about twelve hundred people. Their destination was the Terezin (Theresienstadt) concentration camp in Czechoslovakia.

After three long years, liberation came by the Soviet Army on May 8, 1945. Dr. Auerbacher was 10 years old at the time.

Miraculously, Dr. Auerbacher and both her parents survived.

After a short stay in a Displaced Persons camp in Stuttgart, they learned that at least thirteen close relatives were slaughtered by the Nazis as well as many more of her extended family.

Of the 15,000 children imprisoned in Terezin, Dr. Auerbacher is among the <u>one</u> <u>percent that survived</u>.

Dr. Auerbacher has been lecturing on the Holocaust since 1981 and has spoken to thousands of people in the USA, Canada and Germany. and is fluent in German and English.

Her audiences consist of school children, college students and adults of any ethnic background. She has appeared on many radio and television programs both in the USA and abroad. Prize-winning documentary films have been made about her, which have been shown in the USA and all over the world.