Fatina Anani success story

I was born in the city of Hebron in Palestine and completed my high school in Hebron as well my father my mother are married in Haifa, where my father was working in the British police days of the British Mandate in Palestine , where they lived in Haifa for five years then returned to Hebron . My father opened a small grocery store in Hebron the place they were living, I was born in that period in Hebron in 1949 , i lived and completed my high school, and after I grew up , my mother was telling us how she was living with her neighbors Jews and Palestinians in Haifa she told us some stories about their relationships and friendships with some of them , but after the war of 67 , which I lived by myself I saw the Army during the Israeli occupation with murdering Palestinians and demolishing their houses All this created in my heart and the heart of the Jews, and I did not think one day that I will make any friendship with them or held any agreement with any one of them.

I worked at School for five years in 1969 as a school teacher after that I got married from my husband Mousa and I went with him to Kuwait and lived there for ten years it was one of the most beautiful years of my life,

Every year I was visiting west bank in Palestine to visit my home land and my family in Hebron I was working in Kuwait in cosmetics, I got three children (boys), after the events of Kuwait I returned back to Jordan and lived there for 10 years and there I got an other two children so I got total of five boys, I stayed in Jordan until the peace process began between the Palestinians and the Israelis and there I decided with my husband to return to the country with My children, some of my children wanted to stay in Jordan and some stayed with me and my husband and three children are living in Palestine.

With the second Intifada the hatred has increased between the two people, due to arresting the people and the demolishing of houses in 2003, I had a small cosmetics shop in Hebron full of cosmetics and jewelry accessories and brides allowances all those products has been robbed during the uprising, of course, the Israeli army has helped the thieves in steeling of those shops. Hence, I thought to leave the country and go to live abroad, but the conditions were very hard physically and I stayed where I Began trying to do any thing that helps us in life, I met one of my friends who taught me how to make olive oil soap, I began the new career.

I started to Subscribe and participate in exhibitions and bazaars held for the Palestinian products made by women , in some of the exhibitions I met with a group of women called peace threw commerce supported by the Canadian Embassy, combining the Israeli and the Palestinian women., I hesitated a long time at first,

then decided to have this experience and the first 3 meetings could not attend the meetings because I could not get a permit to enter Israel, and then went to several institutions until I got permit to enter Israel to attend these meetings, and there I got to know Jewish women and I knew she was a woman like me, want peace and want to live in peace with her children and grandchildren and neighbors and that the Jewish people has nothing to do with what the official Israeli with the Palestinians and we became very good friends, I still had an excellent relationship with them and now I work with more than common feminist association between Palestinian women like such as Women brave hearts, Beyond the words, and Peace threw commerce

this is my brief history about me, kindly read it and formulate as you see it's appropriate

my best regards

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