

## The Seed

The seed was sown long ago

Long before we existed

Though it may seem quite impossible

It has survived for many ages

And in our darkest hour

Its history is not lost

This is the seed that grew in many -

The heroes of the Holocaust

Nazi Officer Schindler's list

Employed Jews to safety

Archbishop Papandreou

Protested against persecution

Visas were issued by Ho Feng Shan

To freedom for Jews to emigrate

Carl Lutz, Giorgio Perlasca,

Irena Sandler, Raoul Wallenberg

The list goes on and on -

Brave souls who risked everything

Helped thousands of Jews to escape.

Take heed these lessons

ISIS and Boko Haram

And all with creeds of hate -

Your history's are written

See the cracks in your foundation

As inside the tide is turning

Because somewhere beneath the snow and ash

Beneath the fire and twisted steel

Under the heat of the desert sun - the seed is germinating.

This vision becoming real.