

## **Heartsong @ 1917 This Week – “The Falling of a Giant Tree”**

Wednesday, July 06, 2016, 10:45 a.m. – 12:00 noon

UAB 1917 Clinic, 1st Floor Library, Room 151

Facilitator: Joe Elmore and Shirley Selvage

Heartsong @ 1917 is a weekly, open discussion about spirituality and finding meaning and purpose in life. Everyone is welcome to attend who is interested in connecting to the spiritual side of life. 1917 Staff are welcome. If you do not want to receive this weekly email, just reply with “unsubscribe” in the subject line.

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### **Special Note**

When a mighty tree falls, we must take notice of it. This week, we take notice of the life of Elie Wiesel (1928-2016) - a holocaust survivor, humanitarian, journalist, storyteller, truth-seeker, activist.



### **Video:**

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=lgjj870VMts>

“Auschwitz with Nobel Laureate and Holocaust Survivor Elie Wiesel | The Oprah Winfrey Show | OWN” – May 24, 2006

### **Quotes by Elie Wiesel**

Without memory, there is no culture. Without memory, there would be no civilization, no society, no future.

When a person doesn't have gratitude, something is missing in his or her humanity. A person can almost be defined by his or her attitude toward gratitude.

Once you bring life into the world, you must protect it. We must protect it by changing the world.

We must take sides. Neutrality helps the oppressor, never the victim. Silence encourages the tormentor, never the tormented.

There may be times when we are powerless to prevent injustice, but there must never be a time when we fail to protest.

I decided to devote my life to telling the story because I felt that having survived I owe something to the dead, and anyone who does not remember betrays them again.

Wherever men and women are persecuted because of their race, religion, or political views, that place must - at that moment - become the center of the universe.

Someone who hates one group will end up hating everyone - and, ultimately, hating himself or herself.

We have to go into the despair and go beyond it, by working and doing for somebody else, by using it for something else.

**Reference:**

[http://www.brainyquote.com/quotes/authors/e/elie\\_wiesel.html](http://www.brainyquote.com/quotes/authors/e/elie_wiesel.html)



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