

Hi everybody: As a result of an exponentially increasing flood of e-mails inspired by the sending of my mom's Nisyrian Memoirs and the poem it inspired, and as a result of the tears and joy and memories that it released upon us, I have decided to create a new group network dedicated to distant cousins and friends reacquainting so that we can exchange the old and beloved stories each of us has and to learn just how huge and enduring is the gigantic and many-branched tree planted by our immigrating ancestors.

I have only begun to add names to this group. There are many people I wish to include but I as yet do not know their e-mail address. The beauty of this is that each of you can add these addresses and grow the tree, (that is, if I've done this correctly). That way, anybody included can contact any individual or any subgroup and get reacquainted or discover the distant links that bind us (at least that is what I hope will happen...relative to most people, I am a technological dinosaur and have no idea if this will work).

So welcome to Nisyrians one and all. Let the flood of contacts begin.

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P.S. My brother Bill turned me on to a Nisyrian website called nisyros.net. It is managed by a man named Paul (I've forgotten his last name) and is dedicated (among other things) to documenting stories of Nisyrian families on a large scale, organizing their geneologies, stories, pictures??, etc. His contact info. can be found on the nisyros.net website

It is my intent to unload all the geneological information I have gathered over 30 years and create a tree on this site to which we can all add information, stories, pictures (who knows?...maybe even video and audio).

For those of you who do not know me: my parents were Alexander Zachary (or Zaxariades) and Irene (Yiannakos) . My grandparents were Vasilio Yiannakos and Maria (Rossetos) and Nikolaos Zachariades and Anna Saris. My great-grandparents (there were 4 pairs) were: Ioanni Rossetos and Irene (Chrissotimos), Manolis Yiannakos and Maria (Voyiatsi), Alexandros Saris and Maria (Papantoniou), Dimitrios Zaxariades and Anna (Evstratiou). There are 8 sets of great-great grandparents but I will only list the one pair I know the most about: Mixali Chrissotimos and Maria Pavlou. There are many clans which are mighty branches to the tree I have described: Scandalios, Kulakis, Sakelis, Georgiades, Frazi, Kloutsis, Pantelides, Mouras, Xenois, Striki, Plithides, Antyoniou, Asfendi, Hatgistavros (Hatgis), Triandafilo and many, many others. I would love it if someday I could learn more about my other 7 pairs of great-great grandparents, perhaps from you.