

The Moshe Family And Their Jewish Friends On Vacation In Aidipsos



This photo was taken in 1935 in Aidipsos.

Mr. Noah is standing in the upper row, second from left. His wife is sitting in the second row, third from left.

I am sitting on the ground, third from left. Fifth from left in the same row is my sister Nina Frances, nee Molho.

My grandfather Leon Moshe is standing second from right.

My grandmother Bienvenida Moshe, nee Florentin, is in the second row, third from right. To her right is my mother Erietta Molho, nee Moshe.

The others are Jewish families not only from Thessaloniki but also from Egypt. I remember that we communicated with them in French.

The Jews of Thessaloniki covered all possible professions. Many were merchants, others tanners. They were so honest among themselves that it was said they were not asking for receipts.

Their word was the receipt. This was said to me by an acquaintance, Mr. Noah, who was a merchant of cotton and wool.

Until once arrived someone who cheated him a big sum, and following this negative experience, he started asking for receipts. He said, 'I didn't want to take receipts, it was the others that forced me to.'

As a child I remember that my family and others Jewish families from Thessaloniki and Egypt, were frequently going to Aidipsos for baths, since the hot springs there were considered very healthy.

We would first go by boat to Volos. The boat would stop at the Volos port for loading and we would go for a walk, using a small train, and then we would return to the boat, when it was loaded, and it would then take us to Aidipsos.

There was no other way of going there at that time. Upon arrival there, the porter would come to carry our belongings and we would walk to the hotel.