



Staff members pray for each other at the International Staff Summit in Beirut

## .....from georges' desk.....

Recently, many of our international staff met in Beirut for our Eastern Staff Summit - a time of fellowship, vision casting, and worship. Horizons President and Founder Georges Houssney shares with us about his summit experience.

What an unforgettable time with our staff from Jordan, Kosovo, Malaysia, North Africa, South Africa, Syria, Tunisia, Lebanon, and the US@ as we gathered to share stories, pray together, and renew vision. Everyone left refreshed, encouraged, and challenged to stay the course and continue to see God use us to bring glory to His name among the nations. I want to share with you some of the comments from our staff when asked what was most valuable to them and what God has shown them during the summit.

*"I took away the Importance of learning from each other; benefiting from the diversity of different countries and different ministry experiences."*

*"Knowing staff members in person and their individual situations helps us pray for them in a different way."*

## Reflections ON STAFF SUMMIT

*"It was so encouraging learning from each other and getting to know everyone; sometimes we can feel alone in ministry and it is good to know that we have colleagues who understand."*

*"It was wonderful to better know Horizons' vision and calling; to see what other staff are doing just highlighted the richness and diversity in Horizons."*

Our staff are full of renewed passion and dedication to our mission to: Proclaim the Gospel, Disciple the Nations, and Equip the Church. We are excited to see what God will do this year through Horizons, and we thank you for partnering with us to fulfill the Great Commission.

Georges Houssney



### featured QUOTE

The summit reminded us to keep our eyes on the Lord and that we need continual discipleship for ourselves as we commit to discipling others.

Center Director Charbel, Beirut Lebanon, on the 2014 Horizons Staff Summit



# The gospel goes high-tech and reaches new heights for Christ

special report  
FROM N. AFRICA

Horizons missionary S\* knows the importance of getting the Gospel into as many hands as possible in North Africa. To accomplish his goal, he's taking the Gospel to new high-tech heights!

The problem S faces is that in North Africa, printed Bibles are often unavailable and difficult to distribute due to the risk of them being discovered. And believers risk being rejected, harrassed, and persecuted by their families and communities.

So what's the solution?

It's important to note, nearly everyone in this region has a cell phone with a micro SD card slot. (SD Cards are usually used for storing photos, music, files, etc)

S's idea was to put the entire Bible and everything else a believer might want on a SD card for their phone. This way believers will have access to the Word of God, hymns, devotionals, lessons, and more at their fingertips all the time - giving them access they could only dream of before!

To make this happen, S needed 200 micro SD cards (which would last him through the end of the year) and would cost approximately \$850.

*\*name withheld for security*

God has provided mightily and at the time of printing S has received the \$850 he needed to purchase 200 SD cards! We ask you to pray for the distribution of these cards, that God will use them in a powerful way.

Along with SD cards, S is also developing social media ads to reach others with the Gospel. S is working with a believer living outside of the region who buys weekly Facebook and Google ads. The ad simply asks local Christians to call.

This believer reported to S that from this one simple ad he receives:

- **650** calls each week
- **400+** SMS messages
- **300+** Facebook messages
- **40+** new open seekers found
- **five to seven** new believers located
- face-to-face meetings with **20-30** seeking Muslims, atheists, or agnostics.

He receives these responses **Every. Single. Week.** If S can get the funds to take out another weekly ad (around \$300), these responses will be even greater!

We applaud S's desire to reach his mission field for Christ in any way possible. What an amazing example of faithfulness, ingenuity and a heart to serve and reach the world for Christ.

## THE NEED

**PRAY:** for the distribution of SD Bibles  
**GIVE:** weekly social ads: **\$300**

Want to help? Call 303.442.3333 to give!

## we are horizons

Accountant April Robbins joined the Horizons family, appropriately, in April. She does accounting as well as work on annual reviews and budget analysis. When she is not working at Horizons, she homeschools her kids and enjoys jogging. Her favorite thing about working at Horizons is "knowing that all the number crunching I do is helping to support missionaries who are spreading the good news of Jesus Christ in everything that they do."

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more?

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**GO:** Register for training, internships, and conferences, and get equipped! **engagingislam.org**

