

# THE HARVEST IS READY



“

The harvest is plentiful, but the workers are few. Ask the Lord to send out workers into his harvest field. Luke 10:2

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## MENA MINISTRY YTD REPORT

1000+

HEARD THE GOSPEL

200+

MADE DECISIONS

120

BEING DISCIPLED

## TRANSFORMATION OUT OF TURMOIL KIM PASSMORE

Try something for us: turn on your television, listen to the radio, open a newspaper...how long was it before you heard or saw something about the Middle East?

Chances are you didn't have to wait long. The conflict and turmoil of the Middle East have saturated our media, inundating us with stories of persecution, murder, hatred, and desperation. Incredible tragedy, strife, and need are often overwhelming and paralyzing, leaving us wondering if anything can be done. The truth of the matter is that in the midst of this tragedy, God is moving, calling more Muslims to him than ever before. These trying times are an opportunity for us—the global Church—to rise up and meet these needs.

The Hope of the Nations Center in Beirut, Lebanon is uniquely positioned to do just that (see map above). Surrounded by Syria, Iraq, Israel, and Egypt, we are seeing lives transformed as refugees flock into Beirut in unprecedented numbers. Remarkably, one out of every three people in Lebanon is a refugee, with over 1.2 million Syrian refugees alone.\* The need is great, but we serve an even greater God!

In this newsletter, we'll focus on three lives that have been transformed both through our Hope of the Nations Center in Beirut, and through the training and discipleship programs we offer converts from Islam here in the US. These lives would not have been changed and brought from **turmoil to transformation** without your support, your prayers, and your partnership.

\*Source UNHCR

...from the  
president's  
desk.....

Dear ones, welcome to autumn - a season of harvest! We rejoice to see more Muslims than ever before coming to the Lord.

The harvest is ready! I thank you for your role in helping reach the world for Christ.

*Georges Houssney*





## RIZAN'S STORY

16 Years Old  
From Syria  
Muslim Kurdish Family  
Being Discipled at the Center

"I became a believer through the Hope of the Nations Center and it has changed my life.

I heard about the center, and that it was a safe place to go. When I came I heard the gospel, the staff prayed with me and I gave my life to Jesus.

I'm so grateful to the men here who mentor me and help me to grow in my faith. I believe God has called me to serve Him and to reach others with the good news. I love telling everyone about all He's done for me!"



## SARAH'S STORY

Palestinian New Believer  
Muslim Family  
Attended Cubs to Lions Training  
in May 2014

"Cubs to Lions changed my life. Since converting to Christianity I've struggled with reading and understanding the Bible. I also felt rejected and persecuted from my family and friends.

Since CTL I've been witnessing to my parents and approaching the Bible without fear and confusion.

You've helped me break the chains of my past, and understand who God really is through his Word."

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## RANIA'S STORY

Syrian Refugee  
Muslim Family  
In Beirut since July 2014  
Received Healing and Salvation

"I left everything behind. My home was destroyed in Syria so we fled to Lebanon. I had a large tumor and swelling in my neck that was causing me great pain.

I heard about the Hope of the Nations Center from a neighbor. I came and received prayer and my tumor disappeared! I've become a Christian and with the help of those discipling me in the center, I am growing in my faith everyday and sharing the amazing things God is doing in my life!"

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Pauline Shamigan  
Beirut, Lebanon

## we are horizons

Meet Pauline Shamigan, Assistant to MENA Regional Director Pierre Houssney. Pauline has the crucial role of supporting the MENA team with scheduling, events, organization, and general office duties. Pauline studied Business Administration and Biblical studies in college and is fluent in English, Arabic, and Armenian. When Pauline is not working for Horizons, she serves in her church and loves sharing the Gospel with those around her. Her favorite thing about working at Horizons? "I love our vision, our focus on uniting the churches, and on reaching Muslims."

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