

NEWS FROM ALLEN AND DEEDEE

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Dear friends and partners in the Gospel,
Happy Spring!

Thank you for praying for us, for our family, and for all of our work.

This month has begun a season of change for us; we are looking forward to seeing what the Lord will do next, as we continue to trust Him in all things.

Changes for our Ministry's Leadership

This month, Henri and Ruthie Aoun, who have been leading our global ministry's North Africa/Middle East Area for the past 30 years, have stepped aside. Henri has handed off his overall leadership position to Aziz, who had been leading our area's campus ministries. Rather than retiring, Henri and Ruthie are taking over our area's work with community leaders. We are happy that they will still be involved in the ministry they have guided so well for so long. We are especially glad that Henri will continue to serve on Operation Transit's Steering Committee.

Henri shared the following encouraging report about this last year of ministry in our area:

We saw more than 40,000 come to faith in Jesus. We now have more than 5,000 trained staff and volunteers. We are seeing doors opened wide before us, especially through social media, radio, and satellite television. Millions of people are hearing a clear presentation of the gospel. Last year more than 17 million were exposed to the gospel through our various internet ministries. More than 70,000 logged into our Arabic Church Online where they are able, in the security of their own homes, to join other seekers and believers and worship Jesus as Savior and Lord.

Jesus said to His disciples (Matthew 9:37-38): **"The harvest is plentiful but the workers are few. Ask the Lord of the harvest, therefore, to send out workers into His harvest field."** This is an imperative: Jesus tells us to pray for workers.

Thank you for praying for us in the work here: please join us in praying for more workers! Please pray, specifically, for God to send enough distributors and evangelists to each of Operation Transit's ministry locations, as needed. Pray that, as a result, whole families will come to trust in Jesus Christ.

Changes for our Family

As of this month, Josiah has withdrawn from academics for now. He is staying with family and doing volunteer work while looking for a new direction. Please pray for him to find a job, as well as for clear guidance for his next steps.

Meanwhile, both Phoebe and Thomas have committed to attending Michigan State University this Fall. Thomas plans on studying Linguistics, while Phoebe will be in the Residential College of Arts and Humanities. But first, they both have to complete the final term of their Spanish Baccalaureate studies. Please pray for each of them to stay strong and finish well!



Serving with you,

Allen and Deedee