

The righeous shall flourish like the palm tree: He shall grow like a cedar in Lebanon (ps 92:12)

"He that dwelleth in the secret place of the most High shall abide under the shadow of the Almighty". Psalm 91:1

Grace and peace to you in the name of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ.

With hearts full of gratitude, we extend our sincere appreciation for your unwavering support, faithful prayers, and ongoing encouragement for our family and ministry in Lebanon. Your partnership is a vital source of strength as we continue to serve in these challenging times.

We praise the Lord that the war ceased in November; however, the situation remains fragile. Israel continues to carry out intermittent airstrikes in various areas, including one just two weeks ago near our home. We kindly ask that you continue to pray for peace and safety across Lebanon, and for protection over the communities affected by ongoing tensions.

Our Christmas programs brought great joy and were a testament to God's love. Many children attended, receiving gifts and participating in a time of celebration and hope. The adult program was also a success, with many joining in worship and fellowship, reflecting on the true meaning of Christmas. In March, we held a special event for Mother's Day. Many mothers gathered for a time of encouragement, followed by a warm and joyful meal together at a nearby restaurant.

We have continued distributing Christian tracts and literature in our village, sharing the message of salvation. I remain actively involved in our prison ministry, which has been both challenging and deeply rewarding. By God's grace, we have witnessed many inmates come to faith in Christ, a powerful reminder of His redemptive power.

Our discipleship programs are flourishing. Several individuals are currently preparing for baptism, Lord willing. Every first Sunday of the month, we hold an evangelistic service, welcoming non-believers to hear the Gospel. These services have been fruitful in sowing seeds of faith and opening hearts to Christ.

As we approach Passover, we are planning a special Sunday morning celebration that will include choir worship and a message centered on the resurrection of our Lord. We continue to provide urgent relief to displaced families, distributing essential items such as blankets, mattresses, canned food, and hygiene kits. Additionally, we are organizing special activities for children to bring moments of joy and comfort during these trying times.

Our weekly Bible studies remain central to our ministry. We have recently begun a new series on Christian doctrine to help believers grow in their understanding of the faith and be equipped for service.

Looking ahead, we are prayerfully considering a visit to the United States in the summer of 2025 to reconnect with our ministry partners and share testimonies of God's work in Lebanon. However, the timing is still uncertain due to the upcoming graduation of our two daughters from university. We will update you as soon as our plans become clearer.

We are deeply grateful to the churches and individuals who have generously supported our ministry. Your contributions have enabled us to offer food assistance, medical aid, and financial relief to many in desperate need. Your generosity is making a tangible difference in countless lives.

On a personal note, I thank God for my wife, Denise, whose dedication to serving women and refugees continues to be a source of inspiration. Our daughters, Abigail and Annabell, are a joy and remain pillars of strength in our lives and ministry.

As we continue this journey of faith, we humbly ask for your continued prayers and support. Please join us in seeking God's provision as we pursue the purchase and renovation of a church property, an essential step in expanding our ministry and outreach. We also ask for your prayers regarding our financial needs, as we strive to carry out God's mission with integrity and excellence. If you feel led to support our ministry, you may send your support and donations through our mission board, **BEMA**.

Thank you for your faithful partnership in the Gospel. May the Lord bless you abundantly and may His grace and peace continue to guide and uphold you.

In Christ's love,

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