

# EGYPT CONNECTIONS

December 2016

**TO ALL OUR PARTNER  
CHURCHES & FRIENDS:  
WE SEND OUR GREETINGS &  
BEST WISHES TO YOU ALL.  
MERRY CHRISTMAS  
&  
A HAPPY NEW YEAR**



We thank our God as we give Him all the glory and thanks. We thank you very much, our partner churches, pastors and all members in all different churches in the USA, for your prayers and support for the work in Egypt.

In June 2016, all of my family came to our home in Giza to say goodbye to my daughter Lillian, her husband Emil and their children. They were leaving to stay in the USA for immigration.



In September of 2016, we had a great celebration for the children in Sunday School, lead by Sister Mona and other ladies, to celebrate the beginning of the new school year. The children sang good songs in that meeting. It was a great time at the church in Faisal, Giza. The church distributed school bags for each of the children.



On November 18, we were invited to a great celebration lead by Dr. Rev. Andrea Zaki, the president of the Evangelical Church in Egypt. It was located in El-Menia, in Upper Egypt. It was a great time, and more than 10 thousand Ministers and members from different area churches in Egypt attended that celebration.



We think that you have probably heard by now about the bad explosion that happened in the Orthodox Church on Sunday morning December 11th during a meeting in the church. It was a terrible event that occurred that day. About 23 people were killed and 49 were wounded.

The people in Egypt, Muslims and Christians alike, are very sad about what happened. The president of Egypt, Mister Abd Elfatah Elsi, visited with the multitude. Many of the high professional people in our nation were with him. He gave a special word to comfort to the people of the Orthodox Church, the Priests, and all the Christian people. He attended the official funeral for all the dead people.

We need your prayers in Egypt that the Lord will keep our Country in peace and destablize the unrest that is occurring.



**FINANCIAL NEEDS:**

- We have about 200 poor and needy families that need food and clothes. We distribute food and clothes during the Christmas and Easter holidays. We need more than \$2,000 for those needy families to supplement their needs every year.
- Also, we have many new ministers, about 30 ministers and workers. Most of them have big families and the churches do not always give them enough money to supports their needs. For this reason, we need some more financial help to support them. We need about \$3,000 every year.
- We are rebuilding 5 churches in different areas of Egypt. We need about \$50,000 to complete these projects.

As you can see, the Church of God of Prophecy in Egypt is growing. Every year, there are new churches, new ministers, and more members being added to the church. This will increase our responsibilities. We trust that you will continue your support and prayers for us.

The following columns refer to the major needs that we have. You can designate your donations to the exact need you want to support by sending your money through the Harvest Partners Project Giving (Lvl 2) with your monthly report to the International Church offices in Cleveland, TN.

<b>Training Center</b>	<b>New Fields</b>	<b>New Ministers</b>	<b>Biblical Teachings</b>	<b>Pastoral Assistance</b>	<b>Poor Families</b>	<b>Social Societies</b>
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We are very thankful to all of our Harvest Partners for all your efforts to support us financially and in prayers. We are very glad that you adopted us to be your partner in the harvest in working for the Lord Jesus Christ. We assure you of our continued prayers for your families and ministry as we labor together for Him.

Very truly yours in Christ,  
Samir & Mona Shehata,  
National Overseer  
Egypt



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