

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

"Though I walk in the midst of trouble, thou wilt revive me: Thou shalt stretch forth thine hand against the wrath of mine enemies, and thy right hand shall save me." Psalm 138:7

Dear Beloved Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Grace and peace to you in the name of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. With hearts full of gratitude, we extend our deepest appreciation for your unwavering support, prayers, and encouragement for our family and ministry in Lebanon.

This past year has been one of immense challenges for Lebanon, including two of the most difficult months in the nation's history. Over 12,000 airstrikes shook our country—an average of 207 each day and night—resulting in the tragic loss of 4,000 lives, 16,000 injuries, and 1.6 million displaced individuals. Entire villages and towns have been reduced to rubble. Our church and home are just two minutes away from many airstrikes.

Despite these hardships, we have witnessed God's grace and provision in incredible ways. Amid the turmoil and suffering, countless souls have been turning to Christ. Through our visitation ministry, we have seen lives changed and hearts opened to the Gospel. We also provided immediate relief to displaced families, distributing blankets, mattresses, canned goods, hygiene kits, and organizing special programs for children. Praise the Lord, on Tuesday, the 26th, a ceasefire was announced for two months.

Our ministry continues to thrive as we prioritize discipleship and spiritual growth. Weekly Bible studies remain a cornerstone of our work, and we have begun a new series on Christian evangelism. We are also excited to share our plans for the Christmas season. Our children's program will be on December 20, followed by our adult program on December 22.

Looking ahead, we are prayerfully planning a visit to the U.S. in the summer of 2025, hoping to connect with you all and share the amazing testimonies of God's work in Lebanon. We are especially grateful to the churches that sent funds to aid Lebanon during this crisis. Your generosity has enabled us to provide essential food supplies, medical assistance, and financial aid to those most in need.

On a personal note, I am deeply thankful for my wife, Denise, and our daughters, Abigail and Annabell. Denise's dedication to serving women and refugees is truly inspiring, and our daughters remain a source of joy and strength in our ministry.

As we continue forward, we humbly ask for your prayers and support. Please join us in seeking God's guidance as we work toward purchasing property and remodeling our church building, which are vital

for the expansion of our ministry. Additionally, we ask for prayers for our financial needs, as we strive to fulfill God's calling with integrity.

Thank you for your partnership in the Gospel and your steadfast commitment to advancing His kingdom. May the Lord bless and keep you, and may His grace and peace abound in your lives. Wishing you blessed and holy days. Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!

With love and gratitude in Christ,

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