

PROJECTS OCTOBER 31, 2017

Middle East and North Africa – Enduring Love



GOAL

International Ministries is seeking to raise \$180,800 per year for 5 years

SUMMARY

The Middle East and North Africa (MENA) region is ready to receive God's message of hope and love, but the workers are very few. That's why IM partner Enduring Love is raising up Arab leaders that minister through a variety of community-based programs.

DESCRIPTION

In the MENA region, for centuries there has been a void in compassionate mission. Western mission societies and global workers have avoided this area in spite of its increasing openness to God's message of hope and love.

Global servants from the West play an important role; however, experience has shown that the most fruitful work in the Arab world is being done by the Arab people themselves in partnership with groups like Enduring Love, an official partner of IM.

While the Arab world is consumed with the chaos and violence that we see highlighted in the media, IM and Enduring Love believe that it is precisely in times like these that the message of God's hope and enduring love is most needed and welcomed.

We are eager to embark upon an unprecedented journey in the MENA region with the message of hope and transformation. We are also seeking others like you who agree that true transformation begins with the transformation of the heart. As we are reminded in Leviticus 19:34, "The foreigner residing among you must be treated as your native-born. Love them as yourself, for you were foreigners in Egypt."

Enduring Love's global servants are already engaged in the MENA region...

- growing the church community
- supporting displaced refugees
- building and growing home groups and mentorships
- establishing relationships with university students
- teaching and translation

Those whom Enduring Love is mentoring are growing in their knowledge of the truth. They are able to apply their theological understanding in developing businesses and microenterprises. Their community involvement allows them to influence perceptions as well as provide practical help and services such as learning support and transportation services.

In order to build a self-sustaining model, we want to train local leaders to multiply the work already begun. To do this, we also need infusions of financial support to grow business-asmission projects and develop microenterprises. By offering opportunities to improve economic conditions and contributing to the good of society, we will be imparting hope, which is the first step toward positive change.

This project is managed by IM global servant Dan Chetti, an adjunct professor at the Arab Baptist Theological Seminary and director of Enduring Love.

SUGGESTED GIFTS

\$100,000 provides seed money for microenterprises and some operational costs for 10 partner servants in the MENA region. Their businesses create economic opportunities and allow them to share God's message of hope and love.

\$50,000 provides ongoing discipleship and training by Enduring Love and the Arab Baptist Theological Seminary for the 10 partner servants. Each will receive ongoing mentoring, oversight and encouragement through conferences and workshops in seven countries for the year.

\$17,000 provides local administrative and accounting support and meet technology needs in the seven countries we serve.

\$1,000 supports one month's salary and expense for an in country partner servant