

Arabic Lutheran Ministries

Bringing Hope at Easter

There will be great earthquakes, famines, and pestilences in various places, and fearful events (Luke 21:10).

Dear Partners in Mission

The Lord Jesus spoke those words over 2000 years ago, just before His own arrest and death on the cross. We are in the season of Holy Week when we remember Jesus' suffering and His offering of Himself to take away our sins. After the death on the cross on Good Friday the Easter Sunday comes. In Easter we celebrate Jesus mighty resurrection, conquering death as He rose from the grave. Because of Easter, we have the sure and certain hope of eternal life.

Our suffering brothers and sisters share that ultimate hope, and we can have the privilege and joy of giving them hope for this life too.

When lives are shattered *Arabic Lutheran Ministries* can channel your gifts through our Christian partner ministries on the ground. Practical help not only changes the outward situation for our fellow-Christians, but also can heal their inner distress. Food, shelter, blanket, emotional, spiritual, and psychological support are tangible signs that God has not forgotten them in the midst of the catastrophe they are enduing.

The crises are increasing and multiplying in Syria. Civil unrest, economic and social crises; the high rate of poverty and unemployment, were exacerbated by the catastrophic and the devastating earthquakes that took place in Syria and turkey where more than 50,000 people died, and over 5 million were displaced.

Arabic Lutheran Ministries global outreach have launched a project called *Bring Hope at Easter*. The initiative includes offering food, shelter, and trauma counseling training materials for families affected by the earthquake in Aleppo, Latakia and Tartous.

Our goal is to distribute food boxes, energies supplies, build shelters and counseling centers to one thousand families in the coming three months.

Here are the detailed expenses for the services we are providing.

- \$15 will provide a family health kit.
- \$ 30 will provide a set of trauma counseling training material.
- \$ 50 will buy ten quality blankets.
- \$ 360 will repair a damaged home (thousands were damaged by the earthquake)
- \$ 30 will provide a box of food for a family. (We included the items in the letter).

With Easter approaching please consider whether you could make a special Easter gift to our Disaster Relief Fund, to provide aid for Christians in disaster situation- a gift that will bring not just help but also hope.

Yours, sincerely in our Risen Lord

Rev. Dr. Abjar Bahkou



Arabic Lutheran Ministries is the only RSO in LCMS, and 501-c 3 that is undertaking this mission to help the Syrian families who were affected by the earthquake.

Financial Donation may be sent to

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