

Bridges of Hope



VISION

We share God's heart to see all people of the Arab World saved and growing in the knowledge of the truth. (1 Timothy 2:4)



MISSION

We are committed to teaching, training, and mobilizing church leaders and local believers in our region to love and evangelize their majority-faith neighbours.

Bridges of Hope desires to see a strong, healthy, and growing Church in the Middle East North Africa (MENA) region. Our heart goes out to reaching the unreached with the gospel message and seeing church plants form and grow in their midst. We train, equip, and mobilize church leaders and local believers to be light and salt in these majority-faith communities.

MINISTRY

Our ministry focuses on three main approaches:

1. Mission Engagement & Mobilization
2. Church Planting
3. Empowering the Local Church

Bridges of Hope mobilizes the churches in Egypt to be sending churches, and to be well prepared to do so, by equipping and training them to reach the unreached in communities throughout the Arab world. Our ministry directions include:

- Mission Mobilization
- Majority Faith Outreach
- Unreached People Groups

ARAB WORLD

The crises in different parts of the Arab world are preparing the majority-faith people to be receptive and more open to hearing the gospel message than ever before. The crises are creating opportunities and a strategic time for the Church to reach the unreached. We encourage church planting in places that do not have churches. There is also a need to disciple new believers so that they would be established in their faith and able to grow in their relationship with the Lord.

SYRIA

The crisis in Syria has had a devastating impact on the people, which has caused the displacement of 10-12 million Syrian people. On the other side of this crisis, many have been exposed to the gospel message and have accepted the Lord. The church continues to grow significantly with believers from different backgrounds and ages.

Y

Several leaders in our ministry have been called to serve in Y. From the beginning, they had a vision of seeing the church in Y established and growing in faith. Over the years we have seen significant change and growth in the church, from a couple of believers to multiple groups of believers throughout 6-7 cities. The dream and vision remain the same – seeing a growing local body with indigenous leadership of the church. Our main passion is to empower the local church and to disciple new believers.

To preserve the work of the Lord and the initial breakthrough in the young and growing church of Y, we have developed different strategies and approaches to sustain the believers and equip the leadership while addressing everyday survival needs during the crisis in the country. Today, by the grace of God, we are in close contact with the leaders and their groups in different cities. As we follow-up with them, we see the local body growing and rooted in God's Word.

The ministry in Y continues to grow as we reach people and communities in a comprehensive and integrated approach. We want to make sure we are empowering the local body and encouraging them to expand and reach out to others in their community. Our ministry in Y includes discipleship, training, and evangelism.

NORTH IRAQ

The crises in this region and the large numbers of refugees left behind, opened the door and increased opportunities to fulfill the dream of seeing disciples from majority-faith people. We are striving to fulfill this dream through missionary families, church planters and an outreach approach in this region.

A small team is serving among the Kurdish Syrian refugees in Northern Iraq through evangelism and discipleship for the growing number of believers. They also serve in discipleship and leadership for the growing Iraqi Kurdish church. The women on the team are serving the young women who have survived horrific experiences with ISIS. We have a community center to help these young women recover and deal with post-traumatic pains. The team shares with them the love and healing power of God.

NORTH AFRICA

In order to see strong and healthy churches in North Africa, the leaders need to be equipped. Training leaders and preparing ministers is a strategic decision to serve the local churches, especially because of the presence of local churches and leaders who deserve to be invested in. Investing in this group will build leaders whose hearts, skills, and experiences are like Jesus. There is also a great need to develop and train youth leaders who will become the future leaders of North Africa.

REFUGEES IN LEBANON & SYRIA

Due to the on-going war and unrest in the Middle East, millions of people have had to relocate to different lands. In our mission experience we have witnessed firsthand, evidence of breakthrough to different people groups while they are living outside of their natural communities - they were unreached, and now are within the reach of the body of Christ. This has encouraged us to reach out to different groups across the region. The atrocities of war and conflict also provide an opportunity for reaching out with the message of life, hope, healing, and forgiveness.

Our strategy has three main elements that are tailored to every community and their needs:

1. Direct Evangelism
2. Relief and Mercy
3. Discipleship and Training

LEBANON

We have a small team working with Syrian refugees in evangelism, discipleship, and relief support. We established a community center for Syrian women to help them through their difficult and challenging situation in Lebanon.

JORDAN

We have a family serving the Syrian refugees through relief and evangelism. They are serving as a teacher in a school for Syrian children, as well as teaching in a center for autistic Syrian children. Their loving and practical service to the community opened great doors to share the good news with many Syrian families.

MAURITANIA

Our vision in Mauritania is reaching out to the majority-faith community and delivering the Good News as well as discipling new believers so that they can grow in their faith and reach others in their community.

Our main objective is to develop relationships with the majority-faith community, and the long-term goal is to see a local church established here.

To accomplish this goal, we started a cultural center called El Karma (The Vine) for language and marriage courses. Through our courses and one-on-one meetings, we are making connections and building relationship as we share the Good News.

CHAD

Our ministry in Chad serves and empowers the local church by building up disciples and training leaders who can empower the youth and next generation. We have church leaders and teachers leading Sunday school services. We also reach out to the community through a well-developed primary Christian school built by one of our missionaries that serves three villages.

SCOPE

Bridges of Hope supports believers in over 12 countries in the MENA region. Due to the sensitive nature of their ministry, their names and ministry details cannot be shared.

MISSION STRATEGY

Our strategy is to work in partnership with local believers to spread the gospel effectively among their people. We work together with Christian individuals, organizations, and churches around the world who have a heart for the Arab world. We encourage an integrated ministry approach of compassion and evangelism as shown in the life and ministry of Jesus.

We believe that training, equipping, and mobilizing missionaries in the Arab world will result in the Church growing, deepening, and becoming a light for the MENA region, and the world. We provide leadership workshops, discipleship training, evangelical outreach support, and host local and regional prayer conferences. These activities provide care and nourishment to the believers as well as growth opportunities for the leaders.

SUMMARY

- We work in partnership with like-minded organizations, ministries, and churches.
- We impact the local church through an integrated ministry approach with a strong mission orientation including discipleship, leadership training, evangelism, and relief.
- We equip and send missionaries to different fields in the MENA region with a focus on unreached areas.

PARTNERSHIP

We work with local believers in ministry, and we also connect these local leaders with like-minded believers throughout the world who have a heart for Arab ministry. International partners are invited to share in ministry through:

- Earnest intercessory prayer for the countries of the MENA region and the believers who are God's missionaries to their people.
- Sharing ministry principles that can be contextualized in the specific cultures of each people group in the MENA region.
- Providing financial resources for vital ministries that cannot depend on local sustainability.
- Supplying compassionate aid as requested by local believers for distribution to their people in the name of Jesus.
- Sending missionaries to support the ministry of local leaders.

IMPACT

God is at work in the Arab world! People are seeking Him like never before in history. Seekers must not only be told the gospel, but disciplined faithfully in their new life in Christ when they believe. We are looking for long-term partnerships in this vital work.