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MERF News

Middle East Reformed Fellowship—“Declaring the Whole Counsel of God”

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Praise & Prayer

New 3-minute Video

Overview of MERF’s 4-fold ministries of Evangelism, Church Extension, Biblical Training and Diaconal Aid is available at the bottom of the MERF News site:

www.powerofchristatwork.net

OR at the link:

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Optionally, this new presentation can be shown with the audio narration also printed at the bottom by clicking CC (closed captions) on the bottom right. The short video is good for both formal and informal gatherings. It is suitable for both large and small group and one-to-one presentations.

www.powerofchristatwork.net also provides the last 12 months of MERF News for download. *Please encourage prayer for MERF ministries by sharing the link with Christians.*



Christians are a significant minority in this Islamic country, especially in urban areas and the Nuba mountains. There is a small, but growing number of converts. Most churches are Arabic-speaking, but some are from southern tribes, such as Nuer and Dinka.

Christians are not party to the present hostilities. Yet, there are at least 12 evangelical congregations in the greater Khartoum area where street fighting has taken place. The security situation deteriorated quickly. Movement in the city is very risky. Food, water and medical supplies are scarce. *Please pray for Sudanese Christians, including MERF’s media team and especially*

for pastors and other spiritual leaders. Ask for the Lord’s protection and provision for their needs and that they are enabled to care for one another and for their Muslim neighbours.

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International Evangelical Church

Sundays 10:30 am & 6:00 pm
John Calvin Centre
57 Stylianou Lena St.,
Larnaca, Cyprus



Northern SYRIA

Praise God for the delivery of much needed basic supplies by Lebanese and Syrian church volunteers to earthquake-stricken families in Christ's name. *Pray for those who have lost loved ones, homes and are recovering from injuries to find direction for their lives and hope and peace in the Lord Jesus Christ.*

Sulawesi, INDONESIA

Praise God that the Indonesian translation of *The Old Testament Explained and Applied* by Pastor Gareth Crossley is serving

as a Bible study guide for seminars and training courses. *Pray for Indonesian churches to be encouraged and strengthened as they witness to their Muslim friends and neighbours.*



Lokichoggio, KENYA

Praise God for the safe arrival of a new group of students from tribal churches across South Sudan to MERF's ministry centre for 3 months of intensive biblical training. *Pray for the group as they settle in and receive an introductory course of intensive English.*



Arabic Media Ministry

Praise God for wide distribution of sound Christian literature in Arabic online and in print to hundreds of pastors, elders, teachers and other Arab Christians, including 200 copies of *Bondage of the Will* by Martin Luther on the anniversary of his trial at Worms. Pray for the ongoing Arabic translation of *Systematic Theology* by Louis Berkoff.

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Thank you for your partnership in gospel ministry to Arab and Muslim lands.



top-left: Volunteers prepared aid to Syrian earthquake victims. top-right: New Students at MERF Lokichoggio. middle: MERF-ArabicLibrary.com - to glorify God alone. bottom: MERF Sulawesi Youth Seminar.