

JORDAN WOMEN WORKSHOP

The third Jordan Women Workshop of 2014 was a great success! Our speaker, Mrs. Lubna Idawany, who is a lawyer and human rights consultant, shared both her expertise and personal experience regarding the God-given human rights of women. She emphasized to the attendees that they possess an inalienable right to experience love and happiness in their relationships. She then addressed the gap that exists between the textbook knowledge learned in universities and the skill-sets that are actually needed in the marketplace. From her perspective, this gap, along with the fact that they reside in a shame culture, explains the existence of high unemployment rates among women and widespread inequality in pay between men and women in our society.

After she shared some facts with the attendees (e.g. only 20% of public sector and 17% of private sector workforces are women; only 5% of women own their own businesses; and only 8% of women own property due to inequitable, Islamic inheritance laws), she went on to encourage the women by...

1. Urging them to break the silence in regards to violence through both peaceful means and the use of professional organizations
2. Raising their awareness on how they should start training their kids to be aware of sexual boundaries
3. Sharing many true stories and advising them to benefit from the mistakes of others
4. Providing private, on-site consultation to those women who requested it



NOUARA DISCIPLESHIP PROGRAM

“ME and THOSE: Towards a Healthy Relationship with Self and Others”

Mirna mentioned, “It was a successful training by all means!” In this excerpt, Mirna excitedly refers to the third phase of the Nouara Discipleship Program that took place at ACCTS-AWT on April 4th and 5th. Ten ladies, along with AWT staff, attended this session, which addressed relational needs. Dr. Amani Albert from Egypt [Lecturer of Public Relations and Advertising and Faculty of Mass Communications] provided invaluable insights and expertise.

Key topics covered during the training include:

- (1) Personal image; (2) Motivations and the needs behind them; (3) Inner needs; (4) Art of communication with others; (5) Types of characters; (6) Art of listening; and (7) Body Language.

Group interaction was outstanding as the ladies shared what they profited from the program and the practical influence it left on their lives. They proceeded to offer multiple comments and suggestions relative to the future promotion of the program, with particular emphasis on their FaceBook group.



“Now, I can recruit the words right to express myself as I should.”

“I used to be extremely nervous and short-tempered, but now... patience, long suffering, quietness and an ability to understand and be in harmony.”

SOCIAL –EMOTIONAL AID

AWT continues to provide social-emotional support to Syrian women

“Why should we stay in conflict when there is a solution?” young, Syrian attendee

On March 22nd, 2014, sixty-two ladies gathered in our third Social-Emotional Aid Workshop at the Assemblies of God Church in Irbid.

The lecture, conducted by an Arab Woman Today trainee, addressed the topic “Conflicts within the Family.” Ladies interacted well with the material and engaged in discussions regarding:

1. Competition over resources and
2. How to deal with different personalities, especially as a result of the generation gap

As an added benefit, the ACCTS team seized the opportunity to celebrate Mother’s Day by cutting a cake and sharing gifts with the ladies.



ADVOCACY SEMINAR

AWT held a stakeholder seminar on April 16th. Mr. Bassem Maher (IMC/Egypt) presided over participating organizations. Other beneficiary organizations participated, to include: AWFM Jordan, New Vision Media Center and the Evangelical Alliance Church, Jerusalem. The seminar’s focus was capacity-building and partnership with other national and international organizations. A joint discussion session encompassed the following topics:

1. The conditions in our communities
2. Strengths and weaknesses of each organization
3. Advocacy from each organization’s point of view

We praise our Lord Jesus Christ:

- For a solid, recognized, and well-received platform for impacting our beloved Jordan and the entire Arab World
- For the continued participation and support that we are seeing among evangelical churches, especially near the Syrian border
- For our Refugee Relief team and the opportunity that God has provided during such a crucial time in the history of the Syrian people

Please pray:

- That AWT would be able to recruit 500 people to be committed to giving \$25 monthly for one year
- That AWT continues its positive impact on the lives of women through Media, Regional Network Training, Jordan Women Workshops, Social-Emotional Workshops, and the Discipleship Program
- That Jesus would use all of AWT’s activities to draw lost Arab women and their families to Himself

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