

# Newsletter

December 2016



## A promising launch for ACCTS creates hope of more support for Arab women

Finally we launched our first book entitled *The Arab Woman: Embracing Her Potential* in a special ceremony held under the auspices of her Excellency Mrs. Asma Khader last October. Ruba Rihani Abbassi, head of The Arab Woman Today Department, is the author of the book published by "Ophir Printers and Publishers." The purpose is to address the problem that the Arab Women face as a result of the unrest in the region, also focusing on the struggles which Christian women face in the Arab culture. The book will be translated into English by the middle of next year.

## Discipleship News

### 1. North Africa

It has been our first work since the Tunisian revolution, and it is our first training that includes young men. This experience helped us learn more about the need of the new generation in Tunisia and Morocco. Consequently, we composed two groups; one of girls and the other of men lead separately by our team. 17 young women went on a journey to discover the roots of their early upbringing. 12 men acquired some effective leadership skills and insights through some interactive sessions.

### 2. Amman

We hosted a relational needs training workshop for a group of 15 young women. Many women were influenced positively by the training given, and affirmed that it gave them the opportunity to learn and grow more.

"Before you came I was dead from the inside. I have been rejected by my family. I am now able to comprehend why I used to behave in a certain way, adhering to the cry of the little girl in me who needed care but couldn't find it in her childhood." Morocco

### 3. Aqaba

Training was administered to a group in Aqaba, one of the least fortunate areas with a conservative environment, where non-Christian mindsets dramatically prevail. 18 Women became aware of their basic needs, how to meet them and the consequences of having them unmet.



"It was a life changing course for me. Thus, I thank you for this opportunity."



Our partners Scottsdale Bible Church gave a lecture on the top three emotional needs for 50 Syrian and Jordanian women at our cultural center in Al-Husn. The interaction and feedback were outstanding, whereas women made immediate behavior changes.

Part of our community service is to touch people in practical ways. This is what happened indeed through our ministry friend Ms. Sheryl Belson, who taught 34 Syrian women in two cities; Al-Husn and Zarqa how to make a tot bag and coasters. It was a meaningful way of showing love to refugee women.



## Relief Efforts

As the humanitarian work with Syrian refugees continues for the fourth consecutive year, ACCTS-AWT achieved the following during the last quarter of 2016:

- Reached 190 Syrian refugee women through Psychosocial Workshops
- Provided cash assistance for 125 Syrian refugee families and another 250 chaste Jordanian families
- Provided fuel coupons for 500 Syrian refugee families and another 500 chaste Jordanian families
- Provided winterization kits for 500 Syrian refugee families

## We praise the Lord for:

- Answering our hearts' prayers to reach North Africa with our discipleship program
- Increasing our involvement in the community, thereby broadening the reach to diverse segments and achieving greater impact
- His faithfulness and provision in our ministry

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## Please pray for:

- Careful design and effective implementation to the current organizational structure and management systems
- A new level of creativity and a fresh zeal for the team in performing their jobs as unto the Lord
- Meeting our 2017 budget

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