

Jordan



Bibles and Bread for Refugees

Project: 79733
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1.3m

refugees hosted by Jordan (mainly Syrians, Iraqis, Yemenis and other nationalities)

80%+

refugees live among Jordanians in the community

Overview

Bible Society Jordan is reaching out to refugee families and underprivileged Jordanian families with practical support, basic needs, and the word of God in partnership with local churches.

The Need

Over the years, Jordan has been known to be a land of refuge for many Arab and Non-Arab populations. Since 2011, millions of Syrian refugees have fled to safety in Jordan, residing inside camps and the outside. As wars continue, many refugees have had to prolong their stay in Jordan with minimal living situations, and furthermore, were followed by hundreds of thousands of persecuted Iraqis. These Iraqi refugees in Jordan have fled persecution in defence of their Christian faith and have sacrificed everything they own for their faith.

Yet Jordan continues to be an economically challenged country, with limited resources and high unemployment rates. Many families live in extreme poverty and lack basic living necessities. The post-COVID-19 financial situation means that there is a heightened demand for assistance and an increased burden on both local communities and refugee families.

The needs of these families have urged Bible Society Jordan to take a step forward and extend help to those in need.

The Spirit of the Lord is on me, because he has anointed me to proclaim good news to the poor. He has sent me to proclaim freedom for the prisoners and recovery of sight for the blind, to set the oppressed free, - Luke 4:18, NIV

Goals

This project seeks to ease both the emotional and physical suffering of families by providing basic necessities, food and any urgent special items, demonstrating the love of Jesus to refugees.

Additionally, this project empowers local churches with resources and Scripture to serve their communities, with the aim to provide 1,000 Bibles, 2,000 New Testaments, and 5,000 Scripture portions each year for distribution. The project primarily supports Jordanian, Syrian, and Iraqi families through the distribution of emergency supplies such as food packages, mattresses, baby essentials, and medical aid like oxygen and wheelchairs.

Volunteers from local churches partner to deliver these supplies through home distribution and church visits, ensuring families in need are reached. Additionally, the project supports students with school and university tuition assistance, further enhancing their opportunities.

Impact

This project aims to impact the lives of 50,000 people yearly as it aims to serve 10,000 refugee and underprivileged Jordanian families (with each family consisting of 4 to 5 members).

This project has a crucial impact on refugee families. Many families have gone from being without very basic needs for their families, to seeking the word of God and finding their hope again.

Through partnering with Bible Society in this project, the Jordanian church's role in the community has also been strengthened as churches actively provide aid to underprivileged families, meeting their basic needs. Thousands of families have experienced tangible care and God's provision in their time of need through the support of the church. This has empowered the church to serve more effectively, addressing both spiritual and physical needs, and leading to an increase in church attendance as families recognise its vital role in their lives.

Testimony

"The impact of this relief was immense, both spiritually and materially. Our faith was strengthened, and our physical needs were met. The love and support we received from our church community allowed us to start rebuilding our lives after the trauma we endured. Today, our family is doing much better ... We will always be grateful for the love and kindness that has been shown to us during our darkest days." — Youssef, a Syrian refugee and project beneficiary*

**Name changed to protect privacy.*

Prayer Points

- Pray for the stability and safety of Jordan despite the continuously rising conflicts surrounding it.
- Pray that each and every refugee will find and get to know Jesus, their 'Rock of Salvation' and source of real strength amidst the hardship they are undergoing.
- Pray for the volunteers who are in direct contact with suffering families, for their emotional and physical protection, and for strength as they offer helping hands and listening ears.
- Pray that the Lord will console the hurt and wounded.