



Arab Vision project update December 2018

- Unique Christmas concert – **fantastic opportunity to share the Gospel!**
- Rekindling the faith – **series of celebrations for the Coptic community**
- Christmas Greeting – **good tidings**

Dear friends,



This year we have the unique possibility to film our Christmas program in the open air, in the heart of Cairo. Together with an Arab music group we will organize a Christmas concert in one of the most public places of the city, near the Cairo Tower. This way we can share the Christmas message by singing carols and by telling the story of Christ's coming to this world as Savior, in a way that can be understood by many.

There is room for 1200 people who can attend this concert. We are looking at possibilities to broadcast live as well; if that is not possible we will film it and it will be broadcast later by various channels and online. Arab Vision is contributing to the costs of renting the premises, plus we have costs of filming, editing and broadcasting the concert.

Will you help us make this unique concert possible? **We still need about US\$4000 (€3500)**. You can [donate online](#) or send your donations to one of our bank accounts in various countries.

Rekindling the faith

The Coptic community in Egypt has suffered much violence and although it may look as if every attack makes them stronger and more resilient in their faith, in reality many of them also get tired of always being the target of violence and persecution. With many the fervor of their faith has become a tiny flame.

Arab Vision is working with Bishop Thomas of the Coptic Church to encourage the Coptic Christians in Egypt to rekindle their faith. Bishop Thomas, whose diocese is in the south in one of the poorest parts of Egypt, will provide



the teaching in a series of seven videos. The purpose of the course is to invite people to return to the community of faith and the heart of the Christian experience.

Actually, we would rather not call it a course, but a celebration, as celebrating the Christian community is at the heart of the series. People are invited to share a meal, to watch the video and to discuss things together. Does that sound familiar? The difference is that we would like to support the Coptic Church in a country where, for centuries, it has not easy to persevere as a Christian minority.

Would you pray with us for this project, that this course will indeed be a celebration for many Coptic Christians so they will find new courage to participate in and contribute to the Christian community, including reaching out to non-believers?

Read more about this exciting project and other programs in our [December newsletter](#).

Christmas greeting

How beautiful on the mountains are the feet of those who bring good news, who proclaim peace, who bring good tidings. (Isaiah 52:7)

مَا أَجْمَلَ عَلَى الْجِبَالِ قَدَمِي الْمُبَشِّرِ، الْمُخْبِرِ بِالسَّلَامِ، الْمُبَشِّرِ بِالْخَيْرِ،
الْمُخْبِرِ بِالْخَلَاصِ، الْقَائِلِ لِصِهْيُونَ: «قَدْ مَلَكَ إِلَهُكَ!». إشعياء ٥٢: ٧



We feel privileged that we can bring good tidings to the people who live in the Arab World. The picture shows an isolated mountain village in Yemen. Almost every house has a satellite dish on its roof. Through our programs on satellite TV peace is proclaimed in their living rooms; peace with God. Please pray that peace between people will also be restored to Yemen and other countries of the Middle East where violent conflicts still occur.

Wishing you a joyful Christmas,

On behalf of the Arab Vision team,

Umm al Farieq

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