



60509 - Lebanon
Project Fact Sheet 2022

Lebanon: Ministry to Refugee Children

Overview

Through partnering with humanitarian aid agencies, Bible Society Lebanon's program, "Reconcile!" aims at offering hope to refugee children through an interactive drama presentation about reconciliation and forgiveness, based on Bible stories. The presentation is accompanied by the distribution of literature which paraphrases Bible stories about reconciliation.

The Need

Lebanon is hosting over 1.5 million registered Syrian refugees, along with Palestinian refugees. Hundreds of aid and humanitarian agencies are struggling to keep up with the refugees' basic needs. Entire generations are being born and brought up in confined camp facilities with very low hygiene and an absence of social and educational platforms. Children are being brought up amid hate, despair and vengeance. There is little to no focus on this negative atmosphere or on helping children to overcome their trauma.

Bible Society has been approached by several humanitarian agencies to provide assistance in entertaining children in the camps, using hopeful and positive strategies as well as appropriate trauma healing techniques. The Bible, the book of hope, will be the source of these presentations in the camps.



Project Goals

The goal of this project is to create a positive atmosphere of reconciliation among refugee children based on the creative presentation of Bible Stories. In addition to this, Bible literature on reconciliation and forgiveness will be distributed in parallel with the performances.

The program also distributes the Arabic Peace & Justice Bible to refugee camp leaders and family heads. The objective is to lessen the negative atmosphere that refugee children and families are currently experiencing.

Impact

This project aims to impact 16,000 people. This will include 15,000 children who will be 'entertained' with the creative program on reconciliation and forgiveness, as well as receive Scripture portions with Bible stories on the same topic. In addition, 1,000 camp leaders and heads of families will receive copies of the Arabic Peace & Justice Bible.

It is hoped that this outreach will result in a more positive atmosphere and further 'entertainment' opportunities in the camps, and in changed behaviour among the children. Furthermore, it is hoped that the camp leaders and heads of families would come to understand the Christian and biblical values of peace and social justice.

Prayer Needs

- Pray for the children growing up in the unacceptable conditions of these camps.
- Pray for the leaders, that they would facilitate this program and willingly receive the Arabic Peace & Justice Bible.
- Pray that Bible Society's program will help heal the children's wounds of trauma.