The National Evangelical Synod of Syria and Cebanon



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Dear M. Marilyn Borst

We at the Synod of Syria and Lebanon pray that this letter finds you well and surrounded by the peace of our Lord Jesus Christ. Recent events within Syria have prompted us to send this letter as a matter of concern for those Christians caught in the cross fire of the present Syrian conflict. The instability within Syria has created a growing number of Christians compelled to find refuge in other safer parts of the country and beyond Syrian boarders. The resulting need for assistance has become of great concern for the National Evangelical Synod of Syria and Lebanon.

Currently we are hosting or otherwise assisting several individuals who are seeking visas to travel to schools and/or homes beyond Syrian boarders. Because the conflict in Syria appears to have no end in sight, we feel the need for assistance will only grow larger. We of course are cognizant of the multitude of conflicts that churches around the world are currently addressing. That is why we are working to stay ahead of pending issues by laying the foundations for an effective, coordinated and sustainable effort for addressing the growing crisis in Syria. Consequently the Synod is urging you to circulate this letter as a call to interested and concerned churches around the world.

At present, we estimate about 250 families have been affected by the recent crises in Syria. Some have lost jobs, and some need to pay school tuition. All daily living costs, such as food, medicine, fuel.. etc, have increased up to 100 %. Thus, we are presently seeking available options of reimbursement for financial assistance we have provided. However, as the situation worsens, we anticipate additional need for assistance with housing, transportation and other logistical concerns. The Synod is committed to aiding those individuals seeking sanctuary outside or inside Syria. We pray that God will inspire others to join us so Syrian Christians will continue to have a safe and productive life in Christ.

The relief work will be supervised by the Committee of Social & Medical Services of the Synod. For further information, please contact Rev Fadi Dagher, General Secretary of the Synod, e-mail address fdgaher@synod-sl.org and NESSL@synod-sl.org, Telephone 009613722274.

Your prayers, consideration and assistance are greatly appreciated.

Yours In Christ,

Rev Fadi Dagher

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