



# THE GATES FAMILY EGYPT

"AND THE LORD SHALL BE KNOWN TO EGYPT, AND THE EGYPTIANS SHALL KNOW THE LORD." -ISAIAH 19:21



Dear Pastor and Praying Friends,

Wow! What an amazing last couple of months! God has used you all to make a difference in our lives and the lives of our friends in Egypt. Our God is faithful to bless us on the road and in Egypt. Thanks again and I pray for the Lord to bless your work as you lift up His name.

### **God's Blessings Here, There and Everywhere!**

"Brother David! We are going to take you all on for prayer and financial support!" I excitedly heard. As you know, we have been running from place to place updating churches and raising support for a new building. Several churches committed to taking us on for support and we have had many give to the building fund. We thank all of you that gave. If you would like to help with the building fund, please send that to MWBM and the address below marked GATES: Egypt Building Fund.

"I just want you to come to church with me Mahroos." I praise the Lord for letting me meet Mahroos, an Egyptian Muslim, while at a mission conference in PA. I stopped by an Arabic restaurant owned by him. I helped him clean his restaurant after eating. Then he asked me to help pack the food, so I did. Then he asked, "Do you have a car?" I answered, Yes. Next thing you know I'm delivering shawarma and kabobs! Mahroos then visited the church and had great fellowship with us. I will be in PA this week and will follow up with him. I also met Mostafa, an Egyptian young man, at a hotel on the way to another conference in PA and was able to witness to him and answer many questions. He promised to read the NT and then we will discuss this from time to time. Tonight, I plan to visit another Egyptian man while here at another Mission Conference. It blesses me to see God bringing the people I love in front of me so His name can be manifest to them through the glorious gospel.

"Love Christ through obedience to His word!" Gergis adamantly preached. What an amazing time I had in Egypt for a short visit this past month. I flew back to encourage the believers and hold revival services. I preached on the theme, For the Gospel's Sake from I Cor 9. The last night of the conference I surprised everyone and let Gergis preach. Many came to see and hear me. I knew I wouldn't be there the following week so I wanted the people to hear Gergis. Plus, I wanted to see how he had grown. He did an amazing job! I also visited others in the church and encouraged them in the Lord. The kids and youth ministry thrive while the ladies' ministry grows. More and more visitors come while the faithful step up. God is moving. It was such a blessed time. God used this time to help me and to strengthen the church. Please pray.

God moves in our hearts and the hearts of the Egyptians. We have much going on. Gergis disciples the pre-teens and teens while teaching other adults. Ladies are stepping up to help Amany and other men do the same. Gergis will take a short trip to Lebanon for training for our new internet radio program. We pray to start this vital ministry this upcoming month. If you would like to donate to this for reaching ministry please send finances to our Mission Board and Label it GATES Egypt: Radio Ministry.

### **Think On These Things...**

As Samman Shehata entered his church in Beni Suf Egypt, he was stabbed continually until he died. This Coptic Priest was killed by a Muslim thinking he was doing God's will. The Light of Jesus infiltrates the darkness. For some it is too late, but pray as we herald His name into the darkness.

For Jesus

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