



TRIUMPHANT MERCY ANNUAL REPORT | 2024

*Then I heard the voice of the Lord saying, "Whom shall I send?
And who will go for us?" And I said, "Here am I. Send me!"*

Isaiah 6:8



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A WORD FROM OUR DIRECTOR

So much can happen in a very short time. Just last month at the end of the year, the sky above Lebanon was covered with smoke and fire from missiles, people were living in fear, the future was at best uncertain, and the challenges we were facing were insurmountable.

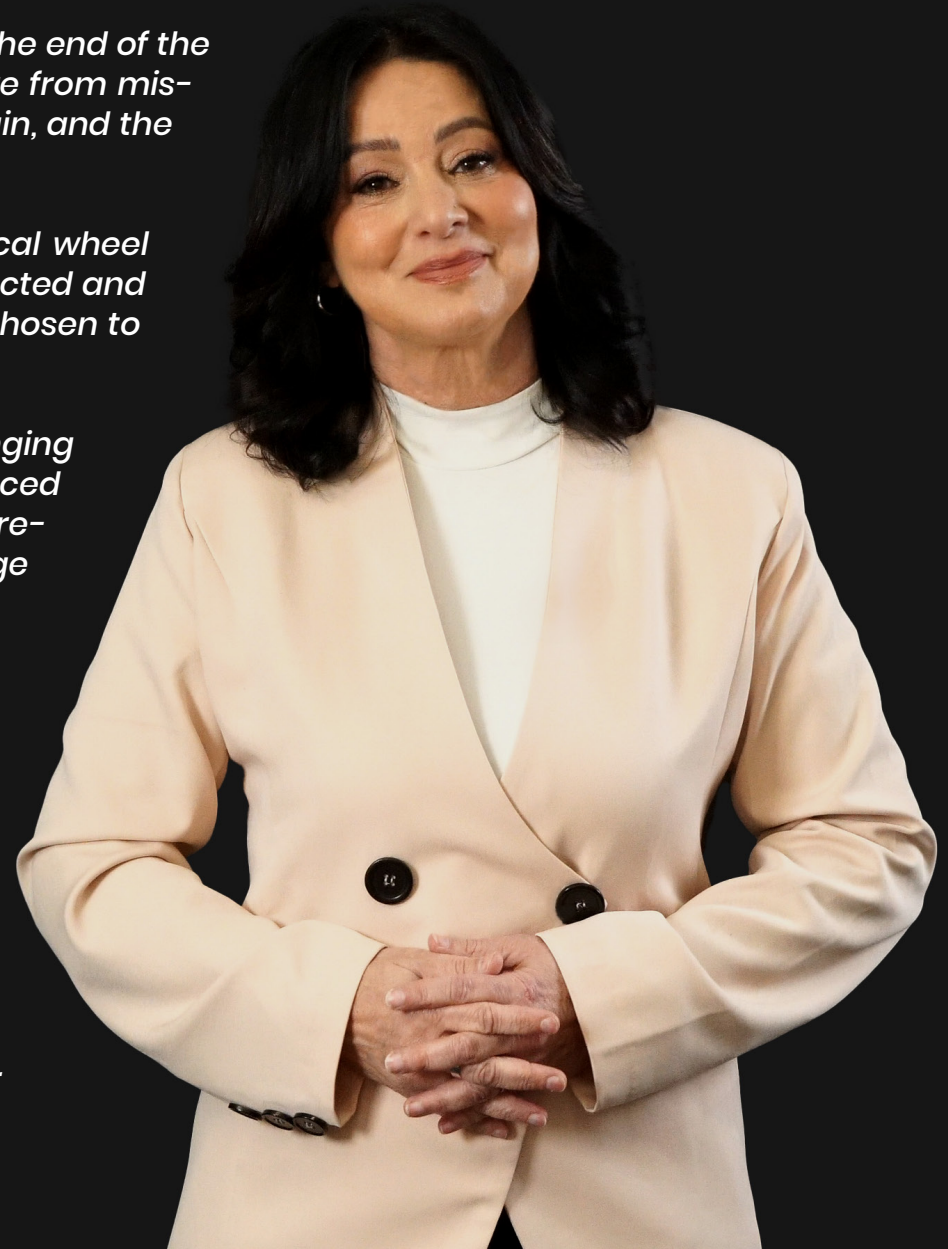
But now the country is experiencing a rebirth with the political wheel back in motion. A president, loved by the people, has been elected and a prime minister who has no corruption on his file has been chosen to move things forward.

This does not negate the fact that the trauma of war is still hanging in the hearts and minds of people. The people who were displaced in the last trimester of 2024 are still facing the challenge of rebuilding their lives and their homes and we count it as a privilege to be the hands and feet of God for their restoration.

But in the midst of all this, the general atmosphere of joyous expectation for change is in the air and though the work is humongous, we commit to be a safe place for people where they could find rest for their souls, be revived in their spirit but also where they would be equipped to navigate the future.



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OUR MISSION

Transforming families through the message and mission of Jesus focusing mainly on children, youths and women.

OUR STRATEGY

TM works by investing in the person holistically. Believing that each person was created by God with a mind, body and soul and all need care.

TM works by investing intergenerationally. Believing that families and legacy are as important as pouring into the next generation

TM works to offer a place of safety that allows people to grow, change and learn together creating a community that pushes people to become who they were designed to be.



WOMEN'S GROUPS

Smiling faces, bright despite the early Monday morning the ladies make their way in with warm greetings.

Every morning at 7:00am the bible reading goes out to over 110 women. Many are listening and reacting in the whats app group. These women also join for a weekly time together to discuss the bible and get renewed and strengthened in their faith. This class is a place of rest for them, a place of peace and a place where they experience God, many for the first time.

“The word of God through bible study meetings is bringing joy to my heart. I didn't know anything about Jesus, I was so far from Him. Now I'm alive.” – Aida

“I feel I want to know Him more. I'm reading my bible more and asking Him to reveal Himself through the word as I was taught during these sessions. I used to know Him as God now He is my Father. I can rely on Him” – Samira



A HEART FOR THE WIDOWS

God has a special place in His heart for widows and orphans. This is why we have a special ministry with TM for widows. We work to create a safe space, reminding them that they are not alone and we are with them in their time of need.

*Over \$10,000 were given
to support widows*



YOUTH AND CHILDREN'S WORK

A key to TM 's work is investing in the next generation. This generation in Lebanon is overwhelmed by the multiple years of chaos and change, followed by war. Hopes and dreams are shattered as they change schools because they are unable to pay the fees. They spend their time, especially since covid staring at screens, being influenced by ideas when their parents are completely oblivious to what their children are taking in . TM is actively investing in these youth believing that they are the future of Lebanon and that if we can give them the tools and teach them to dream, Lebanon will be different because of it. Here are a few of their stories or quotations in the kids or youth's own words from the different programs.



SPORTS

“It is more than a group because it creates a strong feeling of commitment and by commitments you can have more productivity from each member. We should all be one hand and respect the desires of each member.”

“All for one and one for all. If one falls the other pulls him up. We share the burdens.”

“In each group if we don't have teamwork, we should call it a bunch of people, a group but NOT a team. Because a team is a second family, one spirit. The most important thing is that they take care of each other.”

“Teamwork is achieved when team members understand each other and put their differences asides for the benefit of all”

TESTIMONY

“In the past few weeks that I have been on the Basketball team I’ve learned to be a bit calmer and take things a bit less seriously. This place feels like home, before coming here I had anger issues and I was always angry when I started coming.

It was so easy to be a bit calmer and not angry at everything. Everyone here is so kind beside some fights or misunderstanding the coaches are so kind.”

– Rita Khoury

OUTING TO OIKOS

We took some of the youth to a cafe to have a time of rest and conversation together. For some it was their first time like the story below:

We showed them the menu so they could see what they were going to order the next week. One of the displaced teens stared at it in confusion. He started to say, "I'm going to start school.. I don't know if I'll be able to come.." We tried to assure him it's okay, and told him to tell us just in case he made it. We want to get it for you. He looked up and told us he couldn't afford it. We continued to assure him it was okay, we are paying.

He looked shocked as if no one had ever done this before.

One of the younger kids sat with him and explained the menu to him and which things were good and what wasn't to help him pick. He finally relented and took his pick and expressed how grateful he was for our invitation to join.

The next week he enjoyed and relaxed taking it all in as they ate their sweets and had their drinks together.





PERSONAL STORY

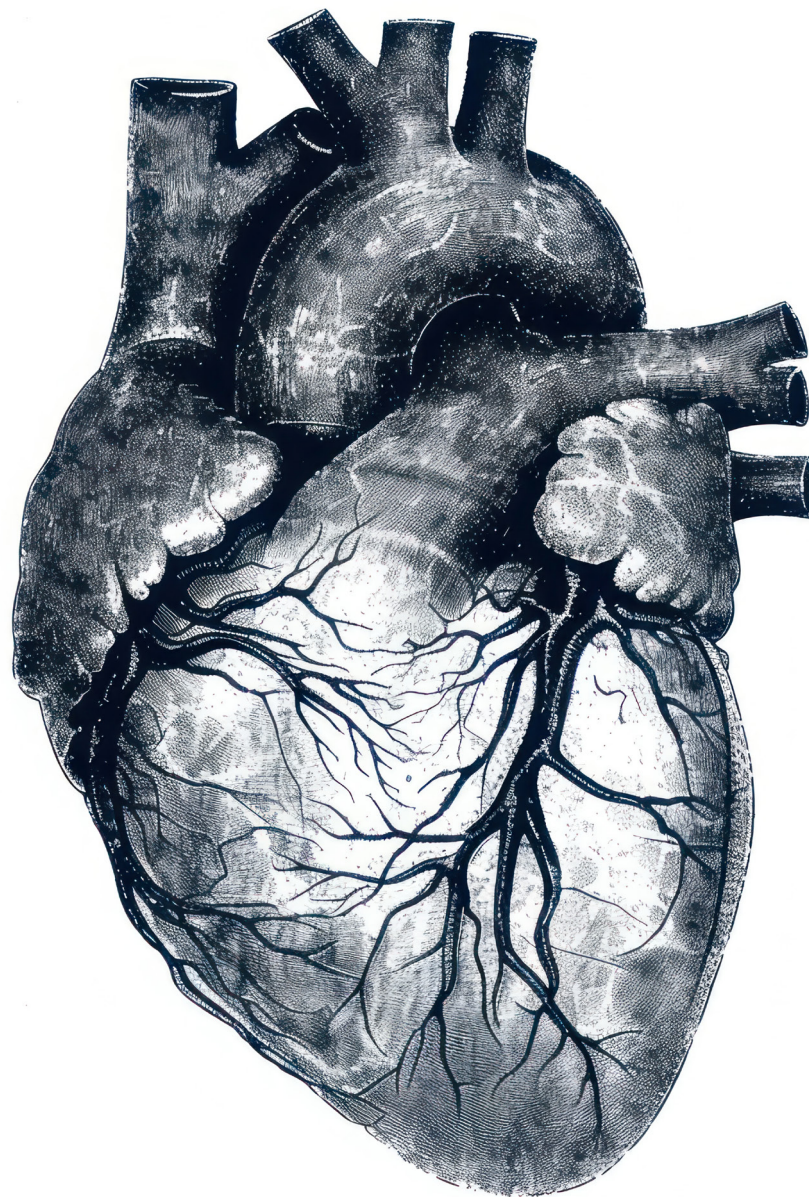
“A NEW HEART”

Elsy and her two boys are regulars at our center. From volunteering herself to her two teen boys participating in many of our programs, we see them a few times a week.

She had taken her mother to the doctor for her general check up and the doctor after knowing about a hereditary heart issue advised her also to get checked, only to find out she had an irregular heart rate beat and was given a halter to wear for 48 hours to monitor. After 48 hours the monitor revealed that she had a serious irregular heartbeat and her heart had actually stopped five times in that 48 hour period. She came to our center worried and scared having been referred to a specialist. One of our team members prayed for her and asked God for a “new heart.”

The next day she went to her appointment with a specialist where they continued with other tests. After all the tests in consultation with the specialist the doctor when comparing her old tests to her new tests declared, “It looks like you took out the old heart and put in a new heart” using the same words that our staff member had used in her prayer.

Elsy had a safe place to come ask for prayer and the Lord used that safety to show her what He can do.



VISITS: TWO BY TWO

Visits allow us to see homes and situations in a new way.

One visit hit our team pretty hard.

“We’ve known This family for seven years. They are one of the poorest families. They have moved several times to several different areas because they were unable to pay rent. They are now living in Nabaa, a dangerous area for three children under 15. The room they are renting should not have someone living there. The parents count on dumpster diving for food and all their necessities. Last visit in the summer we found the girl’s head had been shaved because of lice. They have never been in school, they have no electricity or even a proper meal. We invited them for our Christmas event. They were happy, clapping along to the songs and hearing the message of the new born baby Jesus. The mother cried when we hugged her. The kids laid on the floor and ate the “Buche De Noel” (Christmas cake). It was the first time they had had the Christmas cake.”

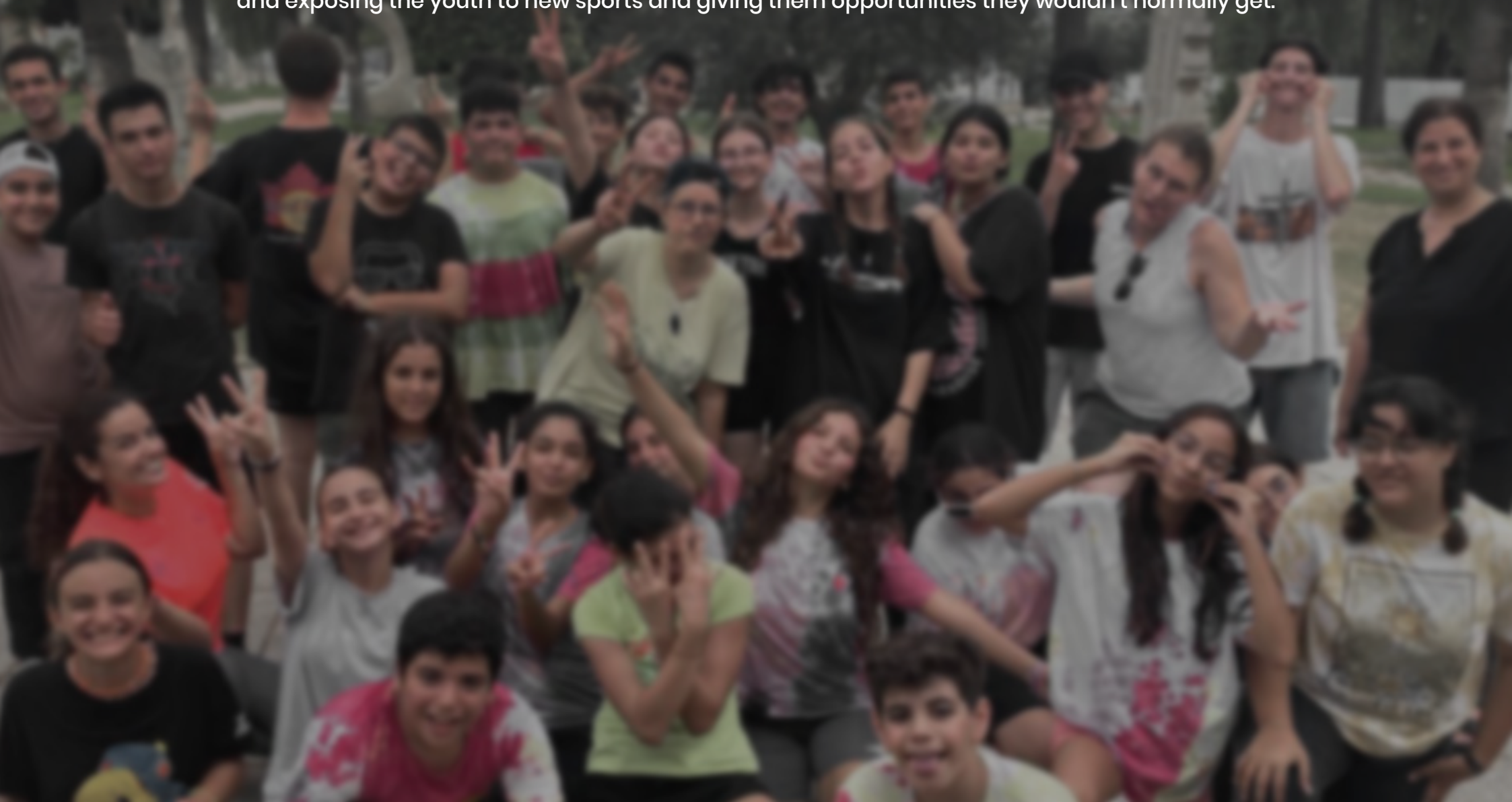
“when you guys come to visit and pray with us it feels like something has lifted and there is something new in our home”

450 VISITS THIS YEAR



CAMPS

Another part of our children's and youth programs include camps. This year we had not only our regular summer camp but also a camp learning how to write scripts and create movies. We also had a week dedicated to sports and exposing the youth to new sports and giving them opportunities they wouldn't normally get.



TESTING PUSHING THROUGH

Each year as the tests approach for the ninth graders there is anxiety with crossing the border and the testing itself. This year that anxiety was through the roof. Due to political disruption, a kidnapping and assassination of a Lebanese political leader in Syria. Schooling went on-line for a few days in fear of a raid on the school and there was a greater apprehension with the crossing and returning for the teens who needed to test. Though with special permissions and guarantees parents were able to have enough relief to send their ninth grade students.





FIRE RESPONSE: SMALL HOPE TO ASHES

The smell of the burning spread across the area to other camps for a couple days after. It was a reminder that the camp just near by was gone. The whole thing in a matter of hours was completely gone. The next day a truck load of donated clothing from our main center in Beirut was on its way to Zahle. These families had lost everything. Their homes consisting of tents were burned to the ground, and they fled with nothing but what they were wearing. We were able to invite them to the school and mothers were able to choose for their families what they needed.

Over 1000 Pieces of Clothing were given to families after the fire

SHARING THE JOY

Another way we pour into our students is through different camps and events. This year included camps for Easter, Summer and a day of celebration for Christmas.

400 Students benefited from schooling or learning programs in Zahle this year.

250 Participated in events in Zahle.



MEDICATION: A DOSE OF HOPE

Since the financial Crisis medications have soared in prices and continue to climb higher and higher. At the end of the month many look at the salary coming into the home and it is the same price as their medications, leaving nothing for any other expense. There are many who rely on TM for the help with monthly medication that allows them to also pay for electricity and other necessities.

**250 PEOPLE COVERED
FOR MEDICATION
MONTHLY**



BBQ: HEAT AND HAPPINESS

The heat bore down and made those in charge of the BBQ melt as they made burger after burger. Water after water was handed out to smiling sweaty faces. The sound of chatter filled the park broken by the Children's screams and laughter as many ran by with painted faces.

About 1000 burgers were given out that day. Some hadn't been able to afford meat for months and so a burger was a welcome treat for them.





CHRISTMAS PARTY

The crinkling of the paper from the stacking of the gifts was interrupted by the testing of a guitar from inside the auditorium. The set up was almost done for those coming to the Christmas celebration. There was laughter and joy as the puppets made their jokes and the children responded. There was a sense of peace as the presentation of the meaning of Christmas was given and there was a rush to the gifts and cake on their way out the door.

That next day when we came to the center the hotline was filled with thank yous and those who were wishing they had been able to come! The joy of the reason for the season was spread and many were able to take hope in what had come and what was coming for Lebanon.

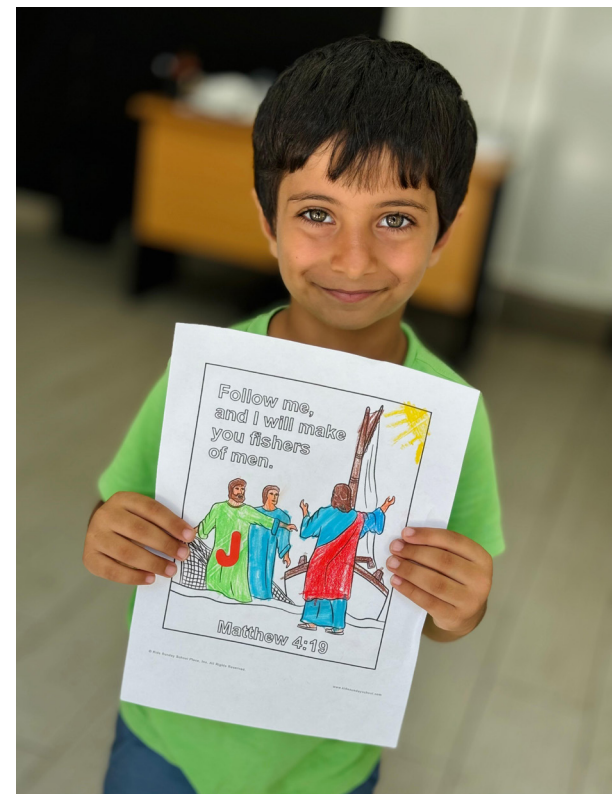
**600 PEOPLE HEARD THE
CHRISTMAS STORY**



ASHRAFIEH

Our center in Ashrafieh feels like a place of rest and release. Many come by through the day just to sit and enjoy the peaceful atmosphere. A coffee here and a few tears there and add to that bursts of laughter and joy from classes is a normal day in Ashrafieh.

Things are also beginning to grow. With new music classes for children and different awareness events through the year helping to connect with the community and camps and events for the children also. The number of beneficiaries taking classes or participating in programs has tripled since last year making it more and more an active place.





WAR AND DISPLACEMENT

September 17th was the beginning of a new war in Lebanon. Over the next week, over one million people had fled either Dahieh or the increasingly intense air-strikes in South Lebanon. This created a massive influx in different areas as public schools filled with families, empty homes were filled and Non-Governmental Organizations like Triumphant Mercy jumped into action.

Within two days Triumphant Mercy had made connections with the displacement centers and were cooking around 500 hot meals per day from one location and providing the necessities for the displacement shelters to cook in their locations. We were also giving mattresses, blankets, and pillows for those still sleeping on the cold floor in centers. Schools moved online and so our center became a place where those in the neighborhood, and the displaced from the south could come to study.

Those months were chaotic. But deep inside, we knew there is a new Lebanon being formed. We are seeing prayers answered and things that haven't changed for 50 years beginning to move.



**20,000 HOT MEALS
PROVIDED**

**1,000 FOOD AND HYGIENE
PACKS DISTRIBUTED**

**450 MATTRESSES AND
BLANKETS PROVIDED**

**250 HEATERS
DISTRIBUTED**

**5 SHELTERS EQUIPPED FOR
COOKING**



A COMMUNITY OF FAMILY

We work to create a safe place, a community that feels like home, that feels like family. We want those who come through the door of whichever center to exhale as if they can finally put their burdens down and remember that they are not alone. They belong to a community and a family.

May 2025 bring a greater deeper community and a new Lebanon.



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