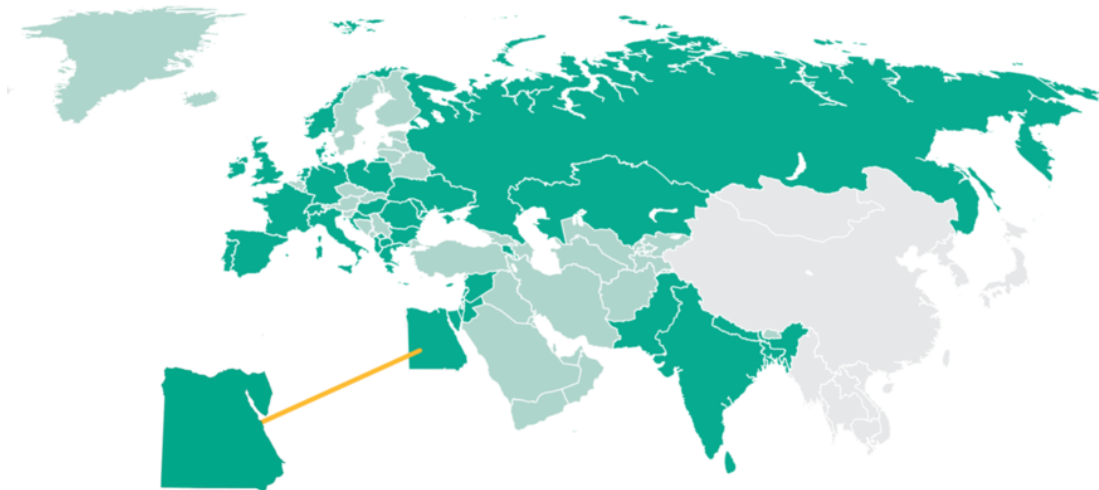


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Eurasia



Egypt

The work of the Church of the Nazarene began officially in Egypt in 1986. Located on the Eastern Mediterranean Field, the work in Egypt has presented some challenges to the establishment of stable churches. Egypt became one of the great ancient civilizations around 3200 B.C., in large measure made possible because of the Nile River, with its annual floods creating rich and fertile land to sustain that civilization. Surrounded by arid deserts, Egypt was unique and powerful in biblical times, ruled by a series of dynasties before being defeated by the Persians in 341 B.C., followed by the Greek, Roman, and Byzantine empires until Arabs conquered the country, introduced the Arabic language, and ruled for six centuries. Britain seized control to protect its investments in the rich land in 1882. Egypt acquired full sovereignty from Britain in 1952. The Suez Canal, completed in 1869, made Egypt one of the world's most important transportation hubs. Its government has passed through numerous unstable periods since its independence. As you will read in the story below, pastors and workers have shifted focus to the education and care of children in an effort to develop a new generation of Christlike disciples in their nation.



31 Members



2 Not Yet Organized Churches

PRAYER



- We pray for more opportunities to teach young girls important life skills as well as requested skills in areas like hairdressing.
- We pray for more opportunities to take the children on educational and fun trips outside the community.

PRAISE



- We thank God for the impact of God's Word on the boys and girls in our children's ministry programs.
- We praise God for the healthy and strong relationships between the children and their leaders and pastors.



Kids Kaleidoscope

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Located just a few hours outside of Cairo, Egypt, a Nazarene congregation that now meets in a rented apartment after operating out of the pastor's home for years has made it a priority to provide comprehensive care and teaching for the children in their church.



Some of the enthusiastic children involved in the new children's ministry Sunday school.

With a total of nine volunteers, this children's ministry has two main focuses. The first is a Sunday school that serves 75 children. The goal for the children's ministry is to raise up a generation that knows the Lord Jesus Christ as their Savior, that learns and memorizes the Word of God, and that testifies of the Lord's work in their lives through their actions. Ministry volunteers present the love of Jesus creatively and provide counsel to children through a program called "Fadfada," a chat that allows the child to write what makes them happy and what worries them. This tool helps to open them up to conversations and to overcome psychical barriers and deal with some of the difficult circumstances in their lives.

The children's ministry also guides kids in spiritual and academic growth by helping them to study subjects according to their age and works with them on etiquette and ways of behaving that communicate respect and kindness to those in their society and church.



Volunteers helping to lead the Children's Ministry in Egypt.

The second focus is a girl's ministry that serves 25 girls. The goal for this ministry is for the participating girls to know Jesus as a friend, Savior, and Redeemer and that they can rely on the Lord always. In this group setting, young girls are brought together and given space to just be themselves and to play. Unlike the boys in their community, they do not have a place in public where they are able to do this. This ministry also seeks to take the participants on short day trips and to do other fun activities with them as they also learn the Bible and skills such as cooking and handicrafts.

Through both of these programs, the church is raising up strong Christians and future leaders as well as caring for children through age-appropriate care and teaching

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