

Rundbrief

Berichte und Austausch über Missionsarbeit (Apg. 14,27 / 2. Thess. 3,1)

"And he said, 'So is the kingdom of God, as when a man casts the seed on the land, and sleeps and rises, night and day, and the seed sprouts and grows, he himself knows not how. The earth produces fruit of its own accord, first grass, then an ear, then full wheat in the ear. But when the fruit presents itself, he immediately sends the sickle, for the harvest is there.

(Mk. 4:26-29)

Trier, March 2025

Dear newsletter readers,

I'm happy to give a quick update on the work we're doing. Isn't it wonderful that we often don't even know what our God is doing in secret? I look forward to the fruit that comes from our work (see above)

First of all, the following: Next week from March 14 to 17, Michael Krampulz, Brother Negib and I will travel to **Tunisia** for a long weekend to introduce the Emmaus work there to some new people. We hope that this will revive the work that has stalled. It is interesting that a brother Y. from **Mauritania**, whom we met through our brother Cheich, will also be there. Mauritania is a very closed Muslim country. Maybe that we can introduce our app through him in that country. Please pray for us.



Ethiopia

In the last newsletter I wrote to you about how in Ethiopia our office building with all the trimmings had to be demolished because the city government wanted to use this district as a parking lot. In the meantime, all the buildings around our office have been demolished - including our office!

Because Degefa and our staff went along with everything the authorities had said, they were allocated a new plot of land with the promise of getting a sum of money so that they could build something new. Others have come away empty-handed.

We are grateful that our employees have continued their work despite these circumstances. We have a really great team there. I just got the statistics about the Emmaus courses there. In 2024, they distributed and processed 150,000 courses there. Isn't that fantastic? We have over 200 Bible centers there that do a great job.

Ägypten und Sudan

I am grouping these countries here because Pastor Ayman is responsible for the Emmaus work for these countries. Again and again I get pictures of diploma awards. There are many *Egyptian*

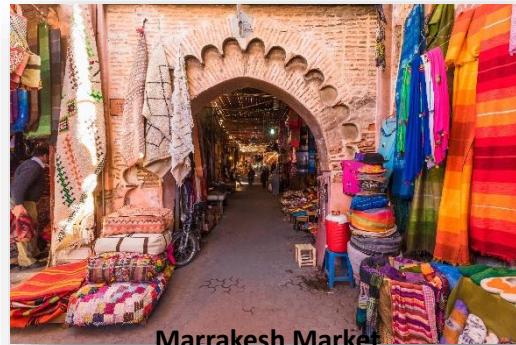
brothers and sisters who do our courses. But in between, I also get pictures of diploma awards that are made for *Sudanese* refugees. There are now many Sudanese in Egypt. We ran out of courses again and Ayman had new courses printed again. By the way, we are planning a trip to Egypt at the beginning of May.

Ayman is planning a trip to North and South Sudan to encourage the students there. There are now many Emmaus students in these countries as well. Please pray that these courses will have a lasting impact on the lives of these brothers and sisters and that the Christians there will be strengthened. In Sudan, Christian witness is so weak, as Hosea says in chapter 4:6: "*My people are perishing for lack of knowledge.*" We are so grateful that our courses have found their way there.

Morocco

After our visit there at the end of last year, not much has changed yet. Our brother Mohammed continues diligently. It's not a big job, but we have the impression that he does it well. Therefore, we are curious to see what happens *under the surface* (see above). God works.

Another brother named Zakaria is working through all the app courses and hopes to start doing so in his church when he finishes. We are waiting to see what comes our way.



Algeria

The day before yesterday I had a long phone call with Brother Kamal from Akbou. His father had recently died. That's why he hadn't yet been able to implement his good intentions for this year, but he now wants to get to work with 15 students and also include advertising for the Emmaus app in his work program. We are curious.

Dear ones, I am always happy to hear that brothers and sisters pray for us and ask about our work with interest.

Thank you very much!

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