



Arab Vision project update October 2018

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Dear friends,

Peace and war begin at home...

Mother Theresa once said, “*Peace and war begin at home. If we truly want peace in the world, let us begin by loving one another in our own families.*”



When we were in the process of producing the second season of *Hope for tomorrow* we had no idea that the response would be so overwhelming. The stories of 6-year-old Manal, who was sexually abused by her cousin, Najla who is cruelly beaten by her own mother, Sahar who was married off to a rich man who sent her back to her family after several months of sexual pleasure, Samira who is married to a man who has an incestuous affair with his mother and many other heartbreakingly tragic stories,

have all but overwhelmed our follow-up team. Many of our callers were grateful that they could finally share their own story with someone who listened.

The second season of *Hope for tomorrow* will soon be available with English subtitles. If you are interested in receiving this series on USB, please send a mail to contact@arabvision.org. By talking about these sensitive issues, a door is often opened to find peace again, even though the road may be long and difficult.

Light for North Africa

It is hard to say exactly how many Christians there are in North Africa because the numbers usually only include members of registered churches. Abdel, a pastor from a Kabyle area in Algeria, sheds

some light on the situation in his country: “*Local pastors give an estimate of 30,000, others 100,000, but it could be that there are more than 500,000 Christians. Even in our village there are more than 40 ‘unknown’ Christians, mainly women. The number of unknown believers is at least four to six times higher than the registered number.*”

Nour, a 23-year-old Muslim woman from North Africa writes to us on one of our Facebook pages that she feels hurt by the way society treats her and she hates the way she looks. We explained to her that she is accepted and loved by God and that she can develop a relationship with Him. She responded very positive: *“You changed many strange ideas I had. Talking with you has relieved me a lot. I will talk with our Lord every day like you taught me.”*

Laila, also living in a North African country, says, *“Your page is wonderful and useful.”*

The Heritage Project

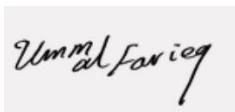


This docudrama series portrays eight Christians, some of whom were martyred, from the early history of the church in North Africa. The first episode, which has now been completed, looks at the theologian and teacher Tertullian. Further episodes focussing on Bishop Victor, Perpetua and the Scillitan Martyrs are close to completion. In the coming months our production team will be filming on location in Egypt and Tunisia, and also outside of North Africa, where the drama parts will be filmed. The first versions will be in three different Arabic dialects for each of Morocco, Algeria and Tunisia. Later versions will be in other North African languages. Watch the [trailer of the Heritage project](#) on our YouTube channel.

Read more enthusiastic responses from visitors of our Facebook pages and viewers of our programs in the September newsletter. If you have not received it by post, [read it online!](#)

Thank you for your involvement and prayers for the Arab World and our ministry.

On behalf of the Arab Vision team,



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