

Egypt

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In some ways our workshop in Egypt was like a class reunion. In other ways it was a fresh experience. We renewed some old acquaintances and made many new ones. I may go as far as to say it was the best workshop and my favorite trip in my ten years with DM2. We last went to Egypt in August of 2012 (my first teaching trip), but because of the so-called "Arab Spring" as well as other factors, we were unable to return. Now, over ten years later, our reunion in Egypt was both nostalgic and memorable.

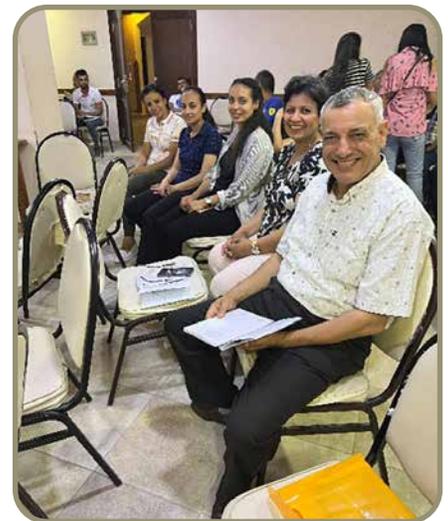
Our translators, Rajae and Amira (with Joy, Joshua and Jacob on the right), were like old friends. We delivered the message of Romans 1-5 as well as "What the Gospel is and What the Gospel is Not" to nearly 30 men and women. To my great surprise and delight, the message was received with overwhelming gratitude.

Two of the best comments came between the sessions. One man confided in me that he had been giving a wrong gospel and that this teaching had changed his thinking. Another lady, after understanding the difference between justification and sanctification, recognized that many of their songs were "all wrong." More attendees' comments are included below.

Craig Northcott and I are most thankful for your support and your prayers. The people welcome a return trip soon. To God be the glory!

More comments from Egypt workshop attendees:

- » The training awakened us from what we are taught in our churches. God bless you for his glory.
- » It's my first time to attend such a wonderful Bible study session.
- » We learned how God justifies us. We learned God's love for us doesn't change.
- » The training was wonderful. We want to finish the entire book of Romans. It was great because the Word of God is the only resource.
- » You changed my understanding of justification and faith. The Bible is the only resource, not what people say or practice. I learned how to distinguish between justification, sanctification, and glorification. Go and teach others; it is important.
- » This was wonderful training because of the importance of the book of Romans. We need to finish it. There was some misunderstanding, but we learned what the Bible says.
- » I thank God for this training. I thank my brothers for their time and effort to teach us the Word of God. You changed a lot of concepts I used to teach. I thank my brothers the interpreters. I would love to continue our study.



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3D Training Center

DM2 is very happy to report to you the great things God has done. About two and a half months ago we asked prayer for a property we hoped to purchase for our students in the 3D training center. Well, we can heartily say thank-you and to God be the glory! On the 28th of July we signed the papers, having received a final donation toward the purchase of the property. Just at the very last minute, God provided, showing that He is fully in control.

Now we have the challenge of setting up the facilities for our upcoming school year. It's a big challenge but God is providing willing laborers. Our brothers and sisters at Beaumont Bible Church are graciously teaming together with us to get the job done. We could not be more blessed and overflowing with appreciation towards God's people.

We are so grateful for the prayers, financial gifts, moral support, and physical labor you all have provided on behalf of this project. We are believing God to raise up a raft a young people who will bless the church for many generations to come.

Would you continue to faithfully uphold us as we move forward by faith day by day? Along with great blessings we continually face many obstacles. We understand we are in a spiritual battle, and we hold on to Jesus' words, "I will build My church; and the gates of Hades will not overpower it (Matt. 16:18)." Thank you all for your many prayers.



Prayer Items:

- Pray for those who were touched by grace in Egypt.
- Pray for the start of the 3D program this fall.
- Pray for our program in Bolivia which is currently on hold until God gives the green light to resume training there.
- Pray for the fields of Brazil and Zambia that would also like to have 3D training centers. These require massive amounts of translation work and a strong vision for the future.
- Pray for God's continued provisions for all who are involved in disciple-making around the globe.