

COPTIC CROSS MINISTRIES

Restoring Hope for Coptic Families Facing Disability and Illness in Egypt

2023

ANNUAL REPORT

Building a Foundation of Hope



“Be joyful in hope, patient in affliction, faithful in prayer.”

Romans 12:12

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A MESSAGE FROM THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

Faithfulness in Every Act of Service



Dear Friends and Supporters,

In 2023, Coptic Cross Ministries continued building a foundation of hope for Coptic families in Egypt whose lives had been deeply affected by disability, serious illness, and financial hardship. Every family came to us with a different story, but each was met with the same commitment: to listen carefully, understand the true need, and serve with the love and compassion of Christ.

Through your generosity, families received nutritious food, medical care, educational support for children, practical financial relief, and opportunities to earn a dependable income. Just as importantly, spiritual and emotional care accompanied every case. Our goal was never simply to deliver assistance; it was to walk alongside each family so they would know they were seen, valued, and not alone.

The financial strength gained during the year also allowed us to prepare responsibly for future needs. While \$81,834 supported the programs, \$50,202 was retained to strengthen the ministry's ability to respond, grow, and continue serving with stability.

Thank you to every donor, volunteer, church, and partner who made this work possible. Your trust helped turn compassion into practical action. We give thanks to God for what was accomplished in 2023 and for every life touched through your faithful support.

One Family in Christ,

Clerical Deacon. Roumany Soliman

Founder and Executive Director



WHO WE ARE

A Christ-Centered Ministry of Mercy

Serving according to need, with dignity and personal care

Founded in 2021 and based in the United States, Coptic Cross Ministries works hand in hand with Coptic churches in Egypt's poorest communities. The word Coptic simply means Christian Egyptian. We serve Coptic families of all Christian denominations, and assistance is provided on the basis of need rather than church affiliation.

We believe every person bears the image of God and deserves dignity, hope, and the opportunity to move toward greater stability.

OUR MISSION IN PRACTICE

How We Served Families in 2023

1	Local Church Referral Local churches and trusted clergy helped identify families facing disability and illness who are facing medical needs, food insecurity, educational barriers, or urgent financial hardship.
2	Home Visit and Case Study Volunteers met families in their homes, listened to their circumstances, and assessed their actual needs before assistance was approved.
3	Personalized Support Help was tailored to the family and could include food, medical equipment or care, school supplies, financial relief, or small-business resources.
4	Ongoing Relationship A church volunteer remained connected to the family, delivered support, followed progress, and offered spiritual and emotional encouragement throughout the case.

2023 AT A GLANCE

Compassion Made Visible

The figures below reflect Coptic Cross Ministries' reported 2023 program activity for families facing disability and illness.

412 People receiving monthly food assistance Reliable nourishment throughout the year	280 Children receiving educational support School supplies, Bibles, and other essential help	65 People receiving medical care and support Care, mobility equipment, medications, or treatment
91 Family financial assistance cases Practical relief restoring safety and dignity	11 Small-business initiatives supported A pathway toward income and self-sufficiency	All Families Received spiritual and emotional care Care woven into every family's support



OUR PROGRAMS IN ACTION

Meeting Immediate Needs

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Medical Care and Support

For people living with disability or illness, the absence of basic treatment or equipment can make everyday life unsafe. In 2023, support helped address medical needs through care, medications, treatment, mobility assistance, and other practical interventions intended to restore health, safety, and dignity.

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Monthly Food Assistance

Families already carrying the burden of disability and illness often struggle to provide enough nutritious food. Through church partnerships, careful case review, and regular delivery, enrolled families received dependable monthly assistance that helped protect children and adults from the effects of hunger and poor nutrition.

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Children's Educational Support

Children in families facing disability and illness can be pulled away from school by costs their parents cannot meet. Educational assistance helped children receive school supplies and Bibles, while other essential support helped them learn with greater confidence, nurture their faith, and look toward a more hopeful future.



OUR PROGRAMS IN ACTION

Restoring Stability and Opportunity

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Family Financial Assistance

When disability or illness removes a family's income, even basic household needs can become impossible. Financial assistance addressed urgent hardships with practical help such as essential household items, home needs, debt relief, or other support designed to restore safety, stability, and dignity.

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Small Business Development

Lasting change becomes possible when a family can earn a dependable income. Small-business support provided tools, equipment, or resources that helped individuals begin or strengthen income-generating work, moving families from continued dependence toward greater self-sufficiency.



Care for the Whole Family

Every practical response in 2023 was accompanied by human connection. Volunteers listened, prayed, encouraged, and stayed close to families as they faced illness, disability, fear, and uncertainty. This integrated spiritual and emotional support reflected the ministry's conviction that service should care for the whole person—not only the immediate material need.

A family may first come to us because it needs food, medical care, or financial help. Our calling is also to make sure that family does not carry its struggle alone.

THE HEART OF OUR CARE





FINANCIAL STEWARDSHIP

Faithful Care of Every Gift

A clear view of the resources entrusted to Coptic Cross Ministries in 2023

Every donation is a sacred trust. In 2023, Coptic Cross Ministries sought to balance immediate ministry needs with the responsibility to preserve financial strength for future service. The figures below show how the year's support was used and retained.

2023 Financial Summary	Amount
Total support received	\$132,036
Total spent on programs	\$81,834
Set aside to strengthen our work	\$50,202
Total net assets at year-end	\$102,702

The amount spent and the amount retained reconcile exactly to total support received for the year. The year-end net asset balance includes resources accumulated over time and is therefore different from the amount retained from 2023 support alone.

Coptic Cross Ministries is a registered 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization. Contributions are tax-deductible to the extent permitted by law. EIN: 86-1845487.

For additional financial information, visit copticcross.org/financial-stewardship.





LOOKING AHEAD

Strengthening the Work Beyond 2023

The foundation built in 2023 positioned Coptic Cross Ministries to deepen its care for families facing disability and illness. The resources retained at year-end strengthened the ministry's ability to respond to urgent needs, sustain ongoing commitments, and prepare for responsible growth.

As the ministry moved forward, the priorities remained clear: reach families through trusted church partnerships, understand each case personally, direct help where it is most needed, and continue combining practical assistance with spiritual and emotional care.

Building a strong ministry is not only about reaching more people. It is about serving each family faithfully, responsibly, and with lasting compassion.

OUR COMMITMENT

With Gratitude

To our donors: thank you for turning generosity into food, care, education, stability, and opportunity.

To our volunteers and church partners: thank you for visiting homes, listening carefully, delivering assistance, following each case, and sharing the comfort of Christ.

To the families who welcomed us into their lives: thank you for your trust. Your courage continues to shape this ministry and its calling.



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