

## COPTIC CROSS MINISTRIES

*Restoring Hope for Coptic Families Facing Disability and Illness in Egypt*

2024

# ANNUAL REPORT

*Growing in Compassion and Impact*



*"Whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers and sisters of mine, you did for me."*

**Matthew 25:40**

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A MESSAGE FROM THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

## Growth Rooted in Compassion



Dear Friends and Supporters,

In 2024, Coptic Cross Ministries experienced a year of meaningful growth—not growth measured only by numbers, but by stronger relationships, deeper understanding, and more opportunities to walk beside families facing disability and illness in Egypt.

The year began with our January Gala, where 219 guests gathered in gratitude and generosity. From May 8 through August 24, our extended mission trip to Egypt allowed us to meet families personally, strengthen cooperation with Coptic churches and volunteers, and expand outreach to people with disabilities, especially in Cairo.

Your support provided medical care, mobility equipment, monthly nourishment, educational resources for children, emergency financial relief, and tools that helped individuals pursue dependable income. Spiritual and emotional encouragement remained part of every case, because our calling is to care for the whole family—not only the immediate need.

We also remained attentive to long-term stability. Of the \$169,965 received during the year, \$134,579 was put to work through our programs and \$35,386 was retained to strengthen future service. We ended 2024 with total net assets of \$138,088.

Thank you for believing in this ministry and for helping compassion take practical form. We give thanks to God for every family served, every volunteer who carried the work forward, and every supporter who made this year possible.

One Family in Christ,

**Clerical Deacon. Roumany Soliman**

Founder and Executive Director

## WHO WE ARE

# Compassion Guided by Relationship

*Christ-centered service shaped by local knowledge, careful listening, and personal responsibility*

Coptic Cross Ministries is a Christian nonprofit founded in 2021 and based in the United States. In close partnership with Coptic churches of poor communities in Egypt, we serve vulnerable Coptic families affected by disability, chronic illness. Assistance is determined by need, and every person is approached with dignity, compassion, and respect.

*We do not begin with a program. We begin by listening to the family and understanding what will bring the greatest stability and hope.*

## OUR APPROACH

## How Support Reached Families in 2024

|   |                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
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| 1 | <b>Identify Through Trusted Local Partners</b><br>Church clergy and community leaders helped identify families facing disability and illness and referred cases for review.                      |
| 2 | <b>Listen and Assess the Full Need</b><br>Volunteers visited each home, learned the family's circumstances, and completed a detailed case study before assistance was approved.                  |
| 3 | <b>Assign Dedicated Case Support</b><br>A volunteer remained responsible for communication, delivery, follow-up, and the relationship with the family.                                           |
| 4 | <b>Provide Tailored Practical Help</b><br>Support was matched to the case and could include medical care, mobility equipment, food, school resources, household needs, and business development. |
| 5 | <b>Stay Connected and Re-evaluate</b><br>Families were followed over time, encouraged spiritually and emotionally, and reviewed as needs or progress changed.                                    |



2024 AT A GLANCE

## A Wider Circle of Care

These figures reflect Coptic Cross Ministries' reported program activity during 2024 for families facing disability and illness. A family or individual may have received more than one form of assistance according to need.

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| <p><b>494</b></p> <p><b>People receiving monthly food assistance</b></p> <p>Reliable nourishment delivered throughout the year</p> | <p><b>336</b></p> <p><b>Children receiving educational support</b></p> <p>School supplies, Bibles, and essential resources</p> | <p><b>31</b></p> <p><b>People receiving medical care and support</b></p> <p>Treatment, medication, and medical equipment</p>              |
| <p><b>44</b></p> <p><b>Family financial assistance cases</b></p> <p>Targeted relief for urgent household needs</p>                 | <p><b>5</b></p> <p><b>Small-business initiatives supported</b></p> <p>Tools and resources for sustainable income</p>           | <p><b>All Families</b></p> <p><b>Received spiritual and emotional care</b></p> <p>Prayer, encouragement, and ongoing human connection</p> |



OUR PROGRAMS IN ACTION

# Nourishing Health and Learning

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| <p>31</p>  | <p><b>Medical Care and Support</b></p> <p>Disability and illness can turn ordinary daily tasks into serious risks. In 2024, assistance helped individuals obtain medical treatment, medication, mobility devices, equipment, and other practical care intended to improve comfort, safety, and quality of life.</p>     |
| <p>494</p> | <p><b>Monthly Food Assistance</b></p> <p>Consistent nutrition is essential for families already carrying the strain of disability, illness, or lost income. Through careful enrollment and direct delivery by church volunteers, families received dependable monthly food support suited to their household needs.</p> |
| <p>336</p> | <p><b>Children's Educational Support</b></p> <p>Educational help placed school supplies and age-appropriate Bibles in children's hands and addressed other barriers that could interrupt learning. The program sought to strengthen confidence, spiritual growth, and the possibility of a more hopeful future.</p>     |



OUR PROGRAMS IN ACTION

## Building Security and Independence

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| <p>44</p> | <p><b>Family Financial Assistance</b></p> <p>A sudden illness, disability, or loss of income can leave a family unable to meet basic obligations. Targeted financial assistance addressed urgent needs such as household necessities, appliances, repairs, clothing, debt relief, or other case-specific hardships.</p>      |
| <p>5</p>  | <p><b>Small Business Development</b></p> <p>Small-business assistance helped qualified individuals move toward self-sufficiency. Depending on the case, support could include equipment, inventory, setup assistance, training, or follow-up that enabled a family member to begin or strengthen income-generating work.</p> |

### Care That Reaches Beyond the Material Need

Every case included spiritual and emotional support. Volunteers listened, prayed, encouraged, and remained present as families faced fear, uncertainty, and difficult decisions. This relationship-centered care expressed a central conviction of the ministry: practical help is strongest when a family also knows it is seen, valued, and not alone.

*A family may need food, medicine, or financial relief. It also needs someone willing to remain close through the struggle.*

THE HEART OF OUR CARE



## 2024 MILESTONES

# Gathering, Going, and Growing

*Two important moments during the year strengthened both the community supporting the ministry in the United States and the relationships carrying out the work in Egypt.*

## Celebrating Our 2024 Gala

**January 21, 2024** | Washington Dulles Marriott Hotel | 219 guests

Church clergy, volunteers, sponsors, donors, and friends gathered for an evening of gratitude and generosity. With 219 guests, the night was a wonderful success. Thank you for your unwavering support. The Gala strengthened the community behind Coptic Cross Ministries and raised support directed to families served in Egypt.



## Our 2024 Mission Trip to Egypt

**May 8-August 24, 2024** | Serving alongside the Coptic Church and local volunteers

The extended mission trip created time for direct home visits, case review, volunteer coordination, and closer partnership with local churches. Outreach grew among families affected by disability, including work in Cairo, where the need for disability support is especially significant.



## FINANCIAL STEWARDSHIP

# Resources Put to Work

*A clear view of the support entrusted to Coptic Cross Ministries during 2024*

Financial stewardship means responding generously to present needs while preserving the strength required to continue serving. The amounts below show the resources received during the year, the amount used through our programs, and the funds retained for future ministry.

| 2024 Financial Summary           | Amount    |
|----------------------------------|-----------|
| Total support received           | \$169,965 |
| Total spent on programs          | \$134,579 |
| Set aside to strengthen our work | \$35,386  |
| Total net assets at year-end     | \$138,088 |

The \$134,579 spent on programs and the \$35,386 set aside reconcile exactly to the \$169,965 received during 2024. Total net assets was \$138,088 at the end of 2024, reflecting the same \$35,386 retained during the year.

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For additional financial information, visit [copticcross.org/financial-stewardship](https://copticcross.org/financial-stewardship).



## LOOKING AHEAD

# Carrying the Work Forward

The progress of 2024 strengthened Coptic Cross Ministries for the next chapter of service. The ministry entered 2025 with broader relationships, increased experience in direct case management, and the financial capacity to respond to new needs without losing sight of ongoing commitments.

The path forward remained grounded in the same priorities: identify families facing disability and illness through trusted church partnerships, understand each situation personally, direct resources where they can make the greatest difference, and combine practical support with the comfort and hope of Christ.

*Growth is meaningful when it helps us know families more personally, serve them more wisely, and remain beside them for the long journey.*

## OUR COMMITMENT

## With Gratitude

To our donors and sponsors: thank you for making reliable care possible and for trusting us to steward every gift responsibly.

To our volunteers, clergy, and church partners: thank you for identifying needs, visiting homes, carrying assistance, following each case, and offering spiritual encouragement.

To the families who opened their homes and shared their stories: thank you for your trust. Your resilience continues to guide and inspire this ministry.



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