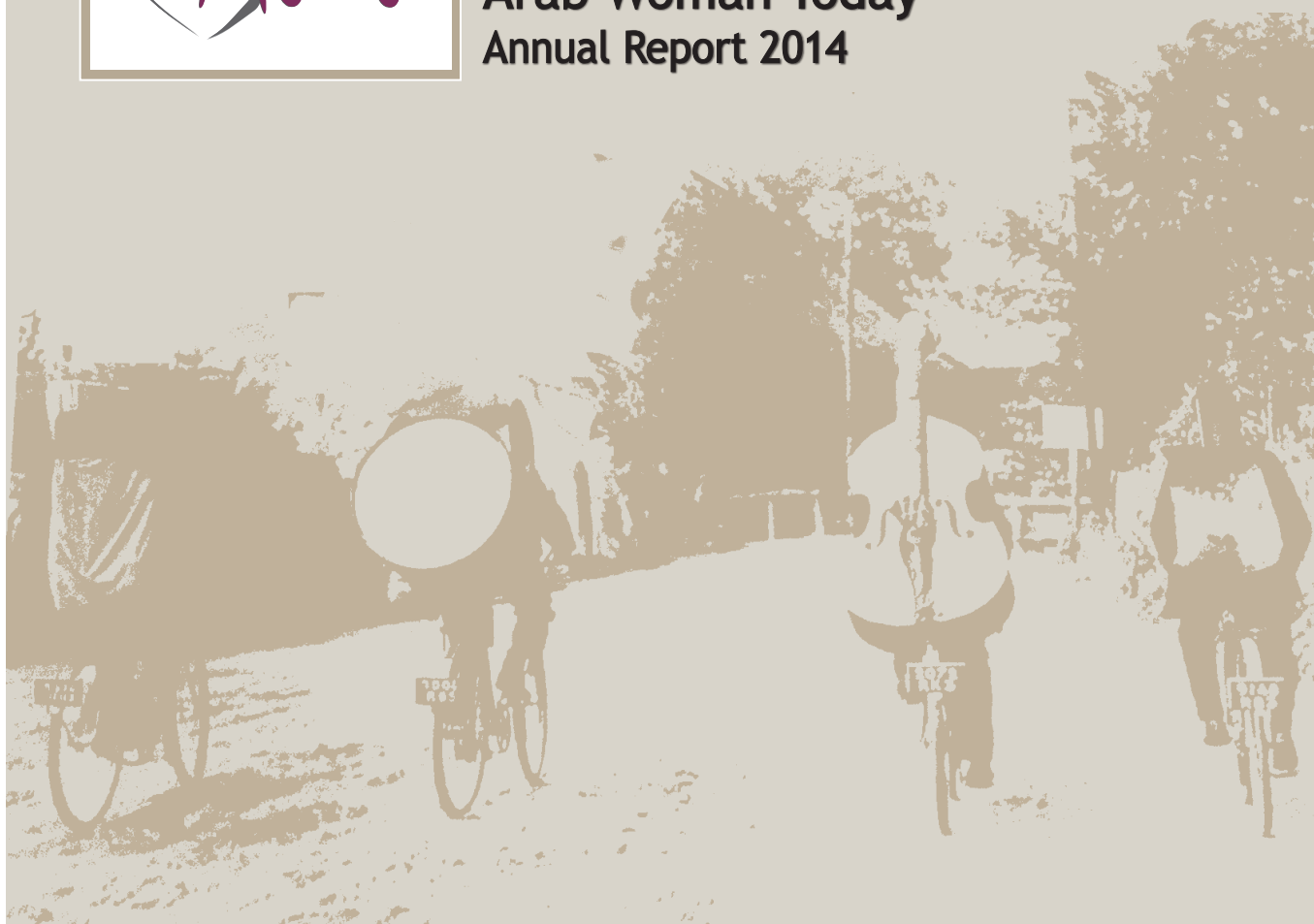




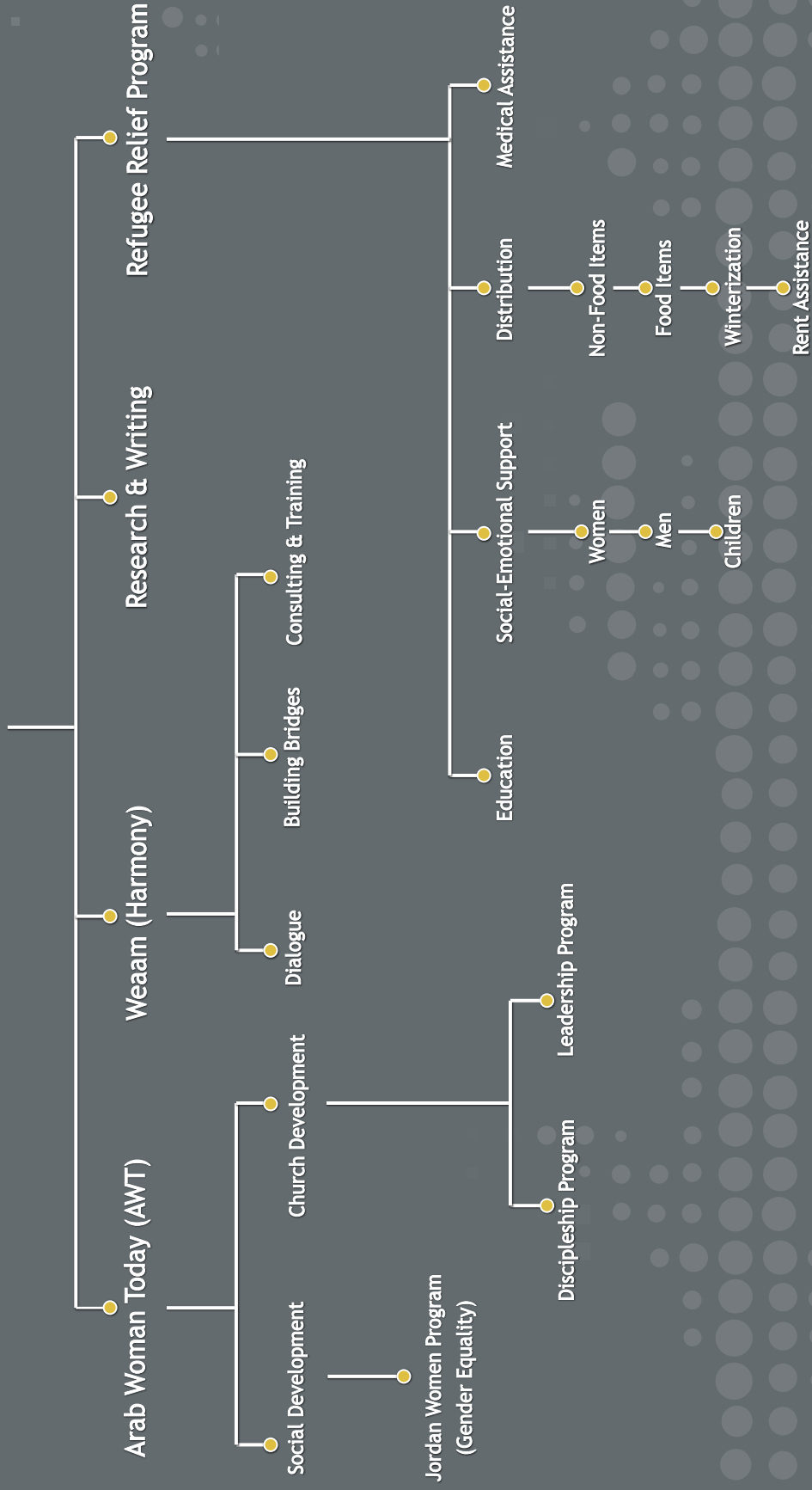
Arab Woman Today Annual Report 2014



Composing a melody of lasting change in the lives of Arab women

Arab Center for Consulting and Training Services (ACCTS)-
A registered association under the Ministry of Culture in Jordan
AWT is one of ACCTS' departments

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Together We Serve



Brothers and Sisters in Christ, consider this:

During 2014, in the middle of the region where we at ACCTS-AWT live and serve, the so-called “Arab Spring” ignited momentous change coupled with widespread troubles, death and destruction. The resulting radical Islamic groups have terrorized both Muslims and Christians, resulting in millions of refugees and internally displaced persons. The final chapter of 2014 revealed the evacuation of Mosul in northern Iraq by practically all Christians; over 250,000 of them left the city in order to seek refuge in the Kurdish regions of northern Iraq.

Still, despite this sad report, it is by God’s grace that ACCTS-AWT has continued to stand firm with the help of outstanding global partners like ZOA International (Netherlands); Tearfund (UK); and World Renew (Canada). Together, we served one-thousand Syrian refugee families (approximately 8000 persons) monthly by providing a variety of essentials, to include food packages, non-food items, and social-emotional support to both ease their sufferings and to act as God’s hands in caring for their needs. More details about our 2014 refugee relief efforts can be found in this annual report.

Finally, we believe that after one feeds the mouth, it is then necessary to feed the mind. A lack of education has often been cited as fuel for radical groups who often recruit fighters from among uneducated, unemployed teens and young adults. In 2015, we are seeking ways in which we can demonstrate the encouragement of Christ by addressing the educational needs of the people who we serve in this region. We covet your prayers and continued financial support as we follow God’s leading in this endeavor.

Dr. Nabeeh Abbassi
General Manager of ACCTS



About ACCTS

Vision:

To assist and encourage the healthy growth of the global Arab Christian Community, and to improve its position among its neighborhoods, nations and regions.

Mission:

To partner with Christian and Non-Christian Communities in Jordan and other Arab countries, as they build the holistic communities by bridging cultures and training future leaders.

Objectives:

1. Reinforcing religious coexistence concepts in the local community through awareness programs, courses, conferences and all activities and events.
2. Working to prevent malpractices in the society through awareness programs, courses, conferences and all activities and events.
3. Seeking to build bridges of cooperation with associations and organizations supporting women issues.
4. Organizing conferences and training courses.
5. Enhancing the status of Arab women in the society using all available means, such as scientific and cultural consulting and counseling services.
6. Building bridges of open dialogue and cultural exchange.
7. Working to raise community members’ awareness and culture, regarding all new or adjusted legislations.
8. Working alongside official and unofficial associations and organizations for the purpose of achieving mutual goals.

Values:

A: Acceptance
C: Compassion
C: Cooperation
T: Truth
S: Service

Starting from Here



Dear Partners and Friends,

Being on the front line is not an easy position; however, it is a privilege that is given to us to make God's love visible to people.

We give thanks to our Lord for a team who worked in perfect harmony to help women summon their courage to take action in order to correct lives that were out of balance. Through our Annual Network Conference and other activities, many Arab women have come to experience the joy of the Lord in the midst of crises and horrors surrounding them.

"For our light and momentary troubles are achieving for us an eternal glory that far outweighs them all." 2Cor 4:17

One thing that has made this past year 2014 truly remarkable was the addition of a satellite TV program to our outreach activities. This program targets Arab women and is called "Balshi Min Hon," which means "Start from Here". As an added blessing, we are privileged to be in partnership with the largest Christian satellite station in the Arab world, namely, SAT-7. Given that reaching across the Arab world through a satellite television broadcast has become a very pervasive means by which to engage people and to subsequently follow up with them via social media, we are excited to utilize this tool as an aid in touching the lives of more Arab women in the name of Jesus Christ. I encourage you to read more about it in this report.

Our hope for women in the Arab world is to see them enjoying their values as women, as well as seeing them safe. Unfortunately, the MENA region continues to face multiple and complex emergency situations; it remains extremely challenging for women. To learn more about the situation of women please view this link <http://www.unhcr.org/pages/4a02db416.html>.

We pray that this annual report blesses and inspires you as you read about God's work among women in Jordan and the Arab World.

Ruba Abbassi
AWT Founder & Manager



About AWT

Vision:

To see the Arab woman reconciled with God, herself and her society.

Mission:

1. AWT exists to equip Christian Arab women in leading roles through discipleship and training, to impact other women in their sphere of influence
2. AWT exists to equip the Jordanian woman to pursue change in her personal, spiritual and social life

Goals:

1. To provide Christian women in all Arab countries with the skills, knowledge and motivation they need to become tomorrow's leaders
2. To build the Jordanian woman's self-confidence and self-respect.
3. To eliminate abuse against young Jordanian women
4. To motivate Jordanian women to work together to break the cycle of destructive social practices

Values:

A: Ability
W: Well-being
T: Teamwork
M: Motivation



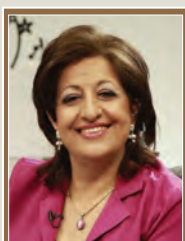
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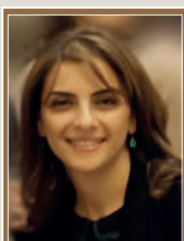
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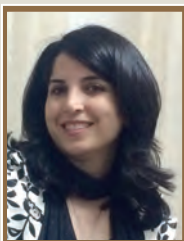
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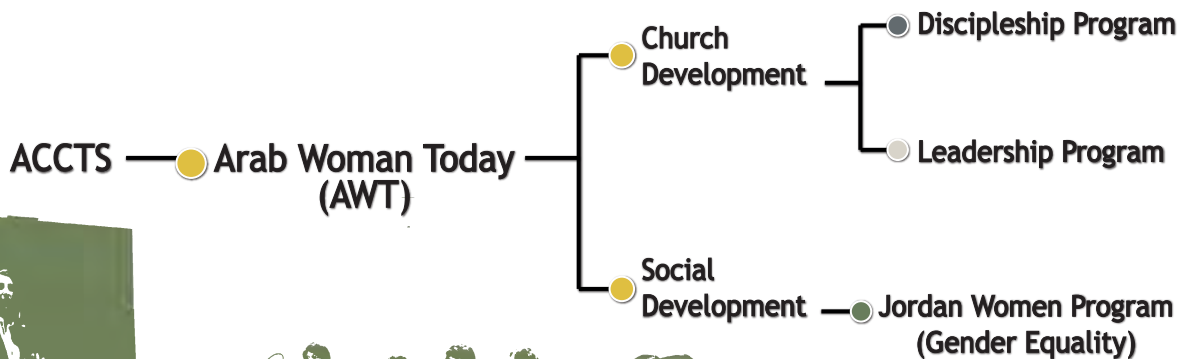
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“Sharing the sacrificial work of Jesus and explaining that there should be a punishment to sin left non-believing women with a new revelation. A lady called later with the desire to know more. This is when we shared our faith and the redeeming work of Jesus. She listened attentively and eagerly. Praying to the Lord to grow the seed instilled in her life.”

Feedback

- “Things need to change now. I will not permit this mistake to be repeated in my daughter’s life.”
- “I should dig into the roots. It’s not the surface issue that needs to be resolved.”
- “I no longer force my example on others, especially my daughter-in-law.”
- “I have learned a strategy to gain influence in the use of financial resources that I have invested in support of my family.”

Jordan Women Workshops

Women possess an inalienable right to experience love and happiness in their relationships. The gap that exists between the textbook knowledge learned in universities and the skill-sets that are actually needed in the marketplace, along with the fact that we reside in a shame culture, explains the existence of high unemployment rates among women and widespread inequality in pay between men and women in our society. The economic disempowerment of the Arab woman has historically played a significant part in her acceptance of violence within her home.

Jordan Women Workshops (JW) are aimed at raising awareness, embracing positive attitudes and acting decisively.

During 2014, AWT held 7 workshops for 31 women from the society on:

1. Gender Equity
2. Kinds of violence
3. How to have a balanced life
4. How to adopt some freeing life-changing values, such as Dealing with Hurt and Forgiveness



Only 20% of public sector and 17% of private sector workforces are women; only 5% of women own their own businesses; and only 8% of women own property due to inequitable, Islamic inheritance laws.



“Balance in Health and Nutrition” Nutritionist Sara AlKurdi



Healthy roles grow out of the soil of diligent spiritual, physical, mental and emotional care

“Violence & Gender Equity” was the topic of our first two workshops that took place in February and March. Ladies were prompted to reflect on their upbringing in early childhood, also basic healthy foundations were discussed. Besides, a holistic picture of the concept of violence within the family and the community was given to include how it is impacted by local laws.

Attorney at Law, Legal Advisor, and Arbitrator Mrs. Lubna Dawany spoke in our May and June workshops. She shared many little-known facts with the attendees based on their rights in the Jordanian law, also discussed a pervasive type of violence “Financial Violence”. Eventually, women were given guidance on how to develop a personal financial strategy in order to gain influence in decision-making.

Jordan Women Workshops encouraged the women to...

1. Break the silence in regard to violence through both peaceful means and the use of professional organizations
2. Start training their kids to be aware of sexual boundaries
3. Benefit from the mistakes of other women
4. Consider acquiring their own source of income and discussing with their husbands beforehand their basic need for greater personal resources
5. Seek a more balanced healthy life in their roles, self care and lifestyle
6. Examine values and experience life-changing truths
7. Request private, on-site consultation

Ladies seeking help and advice are followed up through counseling, either directly after the sessions, or via phone calls and planned meetings. Moreover, the warm and friendly atmosphere helps ladies open up and support each other. Two women requested bibles through our workshops this year.

... In 2015

We expect that unbelieving Arab young women from Non-Christian Backgrounds who attend our Jordan Women Workshops will have increased knowledge and awareness about themselves and different life issues, which will help them make better decisions in regard to their lives and motivate them to break the cycle of destructive social practices.

Nouara Discipleship Program ... Equipping Potential Leaders



“That person is like a tree planted by streams of water, which yields its fruit in season and whose leaf does not wither—whatever they do prospers.” Psalm 1: 3



Nouara Program participants

Some encouraging decisions made by the ladies

- “I will take care of my husband. I will give him time.”
- “I will dedicate two days a month to visit my sisters and friends.”
- “I will work on improving my relationship with my daughter.”
- “I will allocate at least quarter of an hour daily for reading spiritual books.”
- “I will work on developing my gift of mercy... I'll be more involved in evangelism.”



Women are provoked to examine their roles in life

We have seen the completion of our second year in the journey with our potential leaders. These ladies are either untrained women who already occupy leading positions in churches or ones who show potential to take active roles in churches, but lack the needed competencies.

The visual representation of the Nouara Program is a tree shaped like a female. In 2013, upbringing and integrity were the topics to prepare the soil and help nourish the trunk of the tree. As for 2014, we touched the need to tackle the tangled branches, that is, the issues that women must understand about themselves in order to be productive parts of the body of Christ.

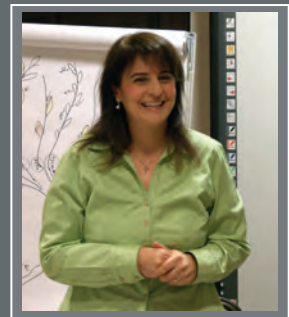
We were privileged to watch 15 ladies representing 5 cities in Amman blossom in front of our eyes through the discipleship and personal care demonstrated by the AWT staff.

The third phase of the Nouara Program, occurring in April, addressed relational needs. The guest speaker, Dr. Amani Albert from Egypt, Lecturer of Public Relations and Advertising conducted this highly impactful training. The training offered practical applications that can easily be shared and applied by the ladies in their respective spheres of influence. It covered the following topics:

1. Personal image
2. Motivations and the needs behind them
3. Inner needs
4. Art of communication with others
5. Types of characters
6. Art of listening
7. Body Language



Amani Albert



Randa Halaseh



The wheel of life workshop

Feedback

- “I’ve been healed from all the past! Now, I can recruit the words right to express myself as I should. I don’t have to tolerate people’s pressure that pushes me to be what I am not.”
- “I used to be extremely nervous and short tempered, but now the dominant characteristics in me are: patience, long suffering, quietness and ability to understand and be in harmony.”
- “Nouara is a remedy for my life. I am now a full-time servant of Christ.”



A fun way to teach leadership skills



A quiet time to hear from the Lord



The fourth phase of the Program took place in October and was entitled, “Today Matters.” Our team imparted wisdom on how to maintain a balanced life, while our speaker Randa Halaseh helped the ladies with the following concepts/topics:

- 1. “Today can be wonderful!”
- 2. Managing my heart-attitude, my priorities and my health
- 3. Managing my family and thinking
- 4. Managing my relationships
- 5. Managing my personal growth

A special group has been created on Facebook to follow up with these ladies and hold them accountable for the decisions they pledged to pursue. Materials are also being provided for the purpose of empowering them in various aspects of their personal, professional and spiritual lives.

Two special cases are now being given counsel on a private personal level through phone calls and a closed group on WhatsApp.

In 2015

1. The untrained, Arab women church leaders from within and outside Amman who are potential church leaders but lack needed competencies for ministry would be disciplined through AWT’s Nouara Discipleship Program in a way that would empower them to be more proficient and efficient in their homes, societies, and churches
2. At least half of these women will grow spiritually, lead other women in community outreach activities, participate in other AWT events, be trained on discipleship topics through AWT radio broadcasts

Annual Network Conference

“Dear friend, I pray that you may enjoy good health and that all may go well with you, even as your soul is getting along well.” 3 John 1:2

57 Arab women leaders from 12 different Arab countries attended our tenth Network Conference entitled “A More Balanced Life”, which was held in November 2014.

AWT sought to give an opportunity for burdened, consumed servants of God to dig deeper into their inner selves, thereby allowing them to uncover practical ways to achieve more balanced lives.

Our main speaker was Laila Faraj from Egypt, who is a specialist in Human and Social Relations.

The Lord used her to set a plumb line among the servants, by which they were able to test the balance level in their lives from the inside out. To heighten the challenge, financier Odeh Habash, Nutritionist Ruba Musharbash, along with the AWT team addressed other segments in the “Wheel of Life” in order to make the quest for balance even more comprehensive and enjoyable.

Main topics discussed:

1. Can you help me change?
2. Helpful tips to counseling
3. Dependency types
4. How to deal with hurt?
5. Anger management
6. Art of quarreling
7. In-law relationships after marriage
8. Limits in our lives
9. Knowing and prioritizing values
10. Balance in health
11. Balance in finances



Network 2014 Participants



Laila Faraj



Anointed worship with
Ereni Abujaber



Our partners from Hillcrest Baptist Church blessed us
with their presence and support



Motivating the leaders



Ruba Musharbash

● The Partner vs. the Beneficiary Perspectives



● Helping You Make a World of Difference

The WMU Foundation is so proud to partner with ACCTS/AWT. You are reaching Arab men, women & children in creative, loving, and innovative ways, and we are excited to help through the ACCTS/AWT Fund. I've known Nabeeh and Ruba for ten years, and their love for Christ and passion for reaching others for Christ has always been evident. The WMU Foundation looks forward to many more years of partnership as we seek to fulfill the Great Commission. May God bless you in your efforts.

David George,
WMU Foundation

● Serving a Common Mission

The work of AWT, when launched was pioneer. It touched a raw nerve in the Arab mentality of disregard to women. The long term strategy of training women leaders in different Arab countries was not only a testimony to the fact that women can be leaders, but also to the desire that AWT has to furnish the church community with sharpened tools who can work for the kingdom. Our common vision, LivingWord Society and ACCTS, has proven that local entities can work selflessly in supporting one another rather than pursuing selfish agendas. As we look at the accomplished tasks in 2014, whether in the area of women concerns or relief, we can only give glory to God for the vision of Ruba and Nabeeh that has proven to be very timely in the tumultuous Middle East.

Rev. Charles Costa
Director of LivingWord Society
Middle East Coordinator - BMA of America Missions Dept.



● An Ever-Present Support for Women's Ministry

Our partnership with AWT goes back to the early years of this ministry. We feel, since we are ministries targeting women, that we complement each other in different areas. It is an honor to serve alongside these genuine Christians who have a deep passion to work for His glory.

Nada Safi Haddad
Director of I AM A WOMAN Center - Beirut, Lebanon



Satellite Television Outreach



Feedback

- "Proud to know you, you always motivate me and inspire me with creative ways to start."
- "I started applying the idea of self-reward and I saw a difference in my life."
- "The material presented is important and should be a university syllabus. It will create a healthier more peaceful community."
- "Enjoyable episodes; great ideas, nice presentation and creative choice of guests! I dreamt of a program for women, which is not only spiritual, but one that teaches new life skills."
- "When I had seen the magnet card of "Balshi min hon" on my fridge, I left all my busy work at home, made a cup of coffee and sat by myself. I was reminded of the challenge to take care of my health and soul. Your program encouraged me to seek a more balanced life."



On the 1st of September, the first season of AWT's new TV program "Balshi min hon" which means, "Start from here" began to be broadcasted on three TV stations: Sat-7 Arabic, Sat-7 Plus and Sat-7 North America. It aims to empower women through biblical leadership skills based on the word of God. Viewers were motivated to start a change in patterns of thinking, habits and ways of communication, and above all to start a change in their life journey by following Jesus.

The first season consists of 13 episodes which were aired and are still being repeated on the above mentioned Sat-7 channels.

Episodes titles are as follows:

1. Thinking types
2. Self-motivation
3. Goal-setting
4. Decision-making
5. Effective communication skills
6. Understanding personality types
7. Confrontation and giving feedback
8. Conflict resolution skills
9. Working within a team
10. Effective negotiation skills
11. Time-management skills
12. Me and technology
13. Forming and changing habits

Every episode includes some motivational questions, quotes and statements for discussions. The purpose is to motivate the Arab woman to start a change. She needs this since she is living in a culture that mistreats her. In every episode, the viewer has the chance to hear the gospel message and a word of encouragement from the bible, as well as the biblical perspective on each topic.

All episodes of "Balshi min hon" are now on YouTube. Facebook, Twitter and Gmail are the three platforms by which we interact with the viewers.



"SAT-7 is the pioneer of Arabic satellite broadcast stations in the world. It filled the Middle East with the gospel message when the area lacked any TV ministry. Sat-7 Network broadcasts across 22 countries in the Middle East and North Africa, along with 50 countries in Europe. In 2014, the overall viewing audience of all channels is estimated at over 15 million. It reaches into the homes of a potential audience of 4 million Arab viewers across the USA and Canada."



- 6147 likes on FB page in the first 3 months
- 57% of fans are women, 43% are men

In 2015...

- Views will be recorded for each of the broadcast's episodes via the AWT and/or SAT7 YouTube channels
- Women will seek face-to-face meetings with AWT staff/volunteers after watching the TV broadcasts, in order to develop a closer relationship and to obtain guidance for dealing with personal needs
- Women will seek to engage in private social media conversations after watching the program
- Women in the MENA region who frequent routine, secular locations such as gyms, bookstores, coffee shops and business centers would become aware of AWT's satellite broadcast
- Women groups within churches outside Amman would become aware of the program and become advocates for it

ACCTS Website www.accts-awt.com

We invite you to visit our new ACCTS English website which was launched in January 2014. There you can learn more about our mission, goals and values, and also get a glimpse into our future department structure. For those donors and partners seeking newsletters and annual reports, these items are also available to you on our website for your review.

In 2015, we aspire to integrate the first version of Arab Woman Today's English language website www.awtministries.com with this new one for ACCTS www.accts-awt.com. The resulting site will be much richer and more informative. After completion of these changes, you will see a more robust website that includes carefully selected and updated articles from our AWT archives. Of course, you can still visit our Arabic Magazine by simply going to www.arabwomantoday.com.

Hope for the Heart



Hope for the Heart is a radio ministry in Texas that publishes biblical counseling materials. As a result of a three-year partnership between ACCTS-AWT and HFTH ministry, along with Ophir publications, the following outcomes were achieved:

- Six volumes from the "Biblical Counseling Keys" series by June Hunt were translated into Arabic and published
- An orientation for pastors from different ministries was conducted by Phillip Prather, former Director of International Ministry- HFTH
- Training for around 50 church leaders was administered by Haley Scully from HFTH
- A total of 124 counseling books were sold



Most photo posts are originally created by AWT

Feedback

- “Thanks for helping me trust in Jesus through His words: ‘seek first His kingdom and His righteousness, and all these things will be given to you as well.’”
- “I felt a good heart behind this page, and I would like to become like this.”
- “All that I used to know about the character of Christ is that He was a prophet. This is the first time I know such information about Jesus!”

In 2015...

1. More fans of the AWT Facebook page will be more interested in discussing their life issues, and especially their spiritual needs, with us
2. Women who demonstrate interest in discussing spiritual matters through face-to-face or private social media conversations with AWT staff/volunteers would be given the following: a full Gospel presentation; an opportunity to make a decision to trust in Christ; and an opportunity to obtain a bible or other biblically-based reading materials

Facebook Page

Arab Woman Today is a mission to equip Arab women with skills to pursue change in their personal, spiritual and social lives by using media and training.

Social media, especially Facebook, is so important for increasing website traffic, developing loyal followers, generating leads, reducing media expenses, and increasing opportunities for reaching out and communicating on a personal level. As a tool in support of outreach ministry, social media offers the potential for touching lives, that has never been available through traditional means, especially with respect to Middle Eastern and North African countries that are closed to the Gospel message.

Through our Facebook page, we aspire to spread female awareness on the physical, psychological and spiritual levels so that a woman can...

1. Know herself, that is, what is of benefit for her and what is not
2. Break some barriers forming strongholds in her mind, such as feeling inferior or remaining silent about abuse or violence
3. Know her value in God's eyes
4. Hear a clear presentation of the Gospel of Jesus Christ

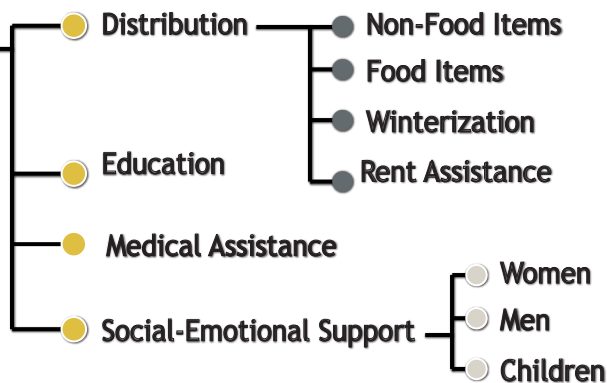
During 2014, our Facebook page succeeded in enlightening Arab women about their rights in a balanced way, as it relates to freedoms, faith, and many other aspects of life. Three to four posts were made daily, in addition to the sharing of a piece of biblical wisdom. People's language, concepts and real-life challenges based on Christian values were used to empower Arab women. New media materials were collected, customized and filtered (such as videos, pictures, stories and articles).

In 2014, our Facebook page attracted a good number of fans, exceeding the expectations in the last quarter of the year.

Four people clearly received the salvation message and are now being followed up on a personal level.

A weekly average of 200 likes... 50 comments... 20 shares

ACCTS — Refugee Relief Program



Refugee Relief Program

During the year 2014, the Relief Department at ACCTS celebrated its achievements with the help of our donors (World Renew, ZOA and TearFund).

Achievements include:

- 1. Food Distributions (World Renew)
Over the course of twelve months, ACCTS managed to distribute 12,000 food packages (1000 per month), and from this total number, 1800 Packages were given to poor Jordanian families with the help of church leaders. These distributions were done over a period of one year with an average of 1000 food packages per month.
 - 2. Non-Food Item Distribution (ZOA)
ZOA's support consisted of non-food item provisions for 2000 families per year (1700 NFI packages for Syrian Refugee families and 300 for poor Jordanians in the form of food coupons). Distributions were also done with the help of church leaders.
 - 3. SEW- Psychosocial Workshops (TearFund)
These sessions took place with the help of coaches and trainers. They targeted 900 traumatized Syrian women, where each woman attended 6 sessions over three days.
- Besides the above main three categories which the Relief Department worked on, some small projects took place alongside them such as the following:
- 4. ZOA Winterization Program
Heaters, jerrycans and fuel coupons were distributed to 300 Syrian Refugee families.

5. TearFund Winterization

TearFund distributed 350 heaters, jerrycans, fuel coupons and blankets for the 2014 winter.

6. TearFund 200 NFI

TearFund, during their visit to our office in Jordan, decided to provide an extra 200 NFI Packages for the Syrian refugee families, and to copy the work we are already doing with ZOA.

7. Six (6) training sessions were conducted for the volunteers and church members working with our program.

8. Special training for online registration among all our distribution points was done, in order to minimize double work and effort, and improve work efficiency.

9. Nine (9) coaches attended AWT's Annual Network Conference training in November, besides another special training for 2 coaches that took place in December. Such trainings aimed at enhancing the quality of work the coaches are performing in psychosocial workshops.

... In 2015

1. Through our partnership with ZOA, TearFund and World Renew, food distributions will be done over a period of 3 months with an average of 500 food packages per month. And non-Food distribution will be made over a period of 6 months
2. Syrians will benefit from our Medical Outreach to the Syrians with the help of our partners from New Life Providence Church, Virginia
3. The Syrian children will be blessed through our "Back to School Project"



Distribution of food and non-food items



Distribution of heaters



Supplications for peace, love, protection of homelands and end of war



A Syrian woman sharing personal stories and experiences

SEW - Psychosocial Workshops

The majority of Syrian refugees in Jordan are mothers with kids; most of their spouses were either killed or are still fighting in Syria. Mothers are struggling with raising their children and being single parents, sometimes with as many as 5-10 children in one family. Through our ministry, women shared their heart cry regarding the change they have been witnessing in their children's characters after war. Evident increases in violence were tangible among family members, especially between brothers-sisters and mothers-children. Being motivated by the need and for the purpose of continual improvement of our support process, an assessment has been completed on previous SEW sessions. Consequently, a focus on topics relating to children and war was emphasized during 2014, in order to answer the growing concerns of women and children who suffer daily as a result of the Syrian crisis.

Communicated teaching through the sessions:

1. Dealing with Grief
 - The grief cycle
 - The emotional cup
2. Health Awareness
 - Woman body cycle and diseases
 - Pregnancy
 - Mid age problem
 - Breast cancer
 - Osteoporosis
 - Hygiene
 - Breast feeding
3. Children and armed conflicts
 - Sexual abuse
 - Child labor
 - Rules for Parenting
 - Why shouldn't you hit your child?
 - Conflict resolution in the family
 - Child marriage
4. Character types
5. The road to healing

An evaluation has been made to identify the most critical cases and provide help, whether through the care and visits of our team, or transferring them to organizations than can offer further support.



Table discussions after psychosocial group counseling sessions



A gynecologist providing examinations and answering questions about the Syrian women's medical concerns

Feedback

- "After attending your session on "Grief Cycle", I forbade my children from watching news at home, as I realized the impact of TV and watching violence."
- "Because of the change that our acquaintances and neighbours have seen in our behaviors, they now want to join the sessions themselves."
- "You gave me hope and turned my eyes toward God who has everything under control."
- A young Syrian lady who has been coached through our sessions decided to move on after having undergone a painful past. She declared that she wants to continue her studies in the Jordanian schools, in order to achieve her life-long dream of becoming a pharmacist.

In 2015...

Traumatized Syrian women will still be targeted through our Psychosocial Workshops. Aiming at a more specialized team, coaches will undergo training on how to handle Post-Traumatic Stress Release Sessions.

Staff is Worth the Investment

"To equip His people for works of service, so that the body of Christ may be built up." Ephesians 4:12

At ACCTS-AWT, we believe in the value of our employees and the necessity of equipping them for the work of the ministry. In 2014, The ACCTS-AWT staff had the opportunity to be developed spiritually, personally and professionally through different activities. Reverend Charlie Costa, Pastor of Ras Beirut Baptist Church in Beirut, Lebanon, lead our team in a series of nourishing devotions that built us up and increased our effectiveness in the workplace. He has also extended unique and comprehensive pastoral care to each individual team member.

Main topics communicated through the sessions:

1. Our relationship with God
2. The Christian within the Workplace
3. Practical techniques to starting a home group (Lectured by Nadim Costa)
4. Conflict Resolution

Media is a powerful tool to expand God's Kingdom in the Arab World. For this purpose, two trainings on media took place:

1. Social Media Training

The AWT team, along with a team from "Radio Alive" Lebanon and a team from Zarqa Baptist Church, received high standard training on social media. The training was held in March and conducted by Mr. Khaled El-Ahmad, Social Media Manager at @ZainJO | Founder of @DigiArabs.

2. Transformational Media Program

In July, one staff member and a volunteer were trained on shooting films and film-making through participating in the Transformational Media Program (TMP) training. The Program took place in Jordan and was administered by Regent University.



Quality time with Rev. Charlie Costa



Transformational Media Program

Partnership

Having strong, committed relationships is essential for accomplishing any worthwhile endeavor. We at ACCTS-AWT know that we experienced the power of relationship in 2014, because it allowed us to share the love of Jesus Christ with both Arab women in over 15 countries and with thousands of needy Syrian refugee families right here in our home country of Jordan. The Bible speaks often of the importance of having unity of minds and hearts relative to how the Christian community carries out God's will. Well, without the generous support - financial, physical, and spiritual - from our local, national, and international partners, we could not have had a successful 2014. So, to you, our committed friends, thank you for uniting with us in 2014 in order to make Jordan and the entire Arab-speaking world a better place for the glory of God!

Below are some of the partners with whom ACCTS-AWT had the opportunity to cooperate:

Relief Partners

International:

- 1. The United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNCHR)
- 2. ZOA International - Netherlands
- 3. World Renew (WR) - Canada
- 4. Canadian Foodgrains Bank (CFGB) - Canada
- 5. Tearfund - UK
- 6. New Life Providence Church - USA
- 7. Lebanese Society for Educational and Social Development (LSESD) - Lebanon

Local:

- 1. Husn Baptist Church
- 2. Irbid Baptist Church
- 3. Nazarene Church, Irbid
- 4. Assemblies of God Church, Irbid
- 5. Al-Fayhaa Mosque, Irbid



Ministry and Development Partners

International:

- 1. New Vision Media Center (NVMC) - Bethlehem
- 2. Evangelical Alliance Church - Jerusalem
- 3. "I am a woman" Center - Lebanon
- 4. Sat-7 Christian Satellite Television - Lebanon
- 5. Ibrahimia Media Center (IMC) - Egypt
- 6. Delta Ministries - Egypt
- 7. Pentecostal Mission Union (PMU) - Sweden
- 8. Höör Church - Sweden
- 9. Hope for the Heart (HFTH) - USA
- 10. Interstate Battery - USA
- 11. Strategic Resource Group (SRG) - USA
- 12. Woman's Missionary Union (WMU) - USA
- 13. Bent Tree Bible Church - USA
- 14. Scottsdale Bible Church - USA
- 15. Hillcrest Baptist Church - USA
- 16. First Baptist Church of Midland - USA
- 17. Shades Crest Baptist Church - USA
- 18. First Baptist Church of Rockville - USA
- 19. Grace Baptist Church - USA
- 20. Mountain Brook Baptist Church - Birmingham, Alabama
- 21. European Baptist Women Federation (EBWF) - Germany
- 22. Women of Global Action (WOGA) - Korea
- 23. Anonymous partners

Local:

- 1. Turra Secondary School
- 2. Turra Cultural Center
- 3. Family Protection Center - Amman
- 4. Korean Baptist Church - Amman
- 5. Ophir Printers and Publishers (Ophir)
- 6. Al-khansa Charitable Association
- 7. Women Police Department
- 8. Better Business (BB)
- 9. Media Plus
- 11. Agape 4 Media
- 12. Arab World Follow-Up Mission (AWFM)
- 13. Jordanian Evangelical Committee for Relief and Development (JECRaD)

The Partner vs. the Beneficiary Perspectives



Helping You Make a World of Difference

The WMU Foundation is so proud to partner with ACCTS/AWT. You are reaching Arab men, women & children in creative, loving, and innovative ways, and we are excited to help through the ACCTS/AWT Fund. I've known Nabeeh and Ruba for ten years, and their love for Christ and passion for reaching others for Christ has always been evident. The WMU Foundation looks forward to many more years of partnership as we seek to fulfill the Great Commission. May God bless you in your efforts.

David George,
WMU Foundation

Serving a Common Mission

The work of AWT, when launched was pioneer. It touched a raw nerve in the Arab mentality of disregard to women. The long term strategy of training women leaders in different Arab countries was not only a testimony to the fact that women can be leaders, but also to the desire that AWT has to furnish the church community with sharpened tools who can work for the kingdom. Our common vision, LivingWord Society and ACCTS, has proven that local entities can work selflessly in supporting one another rather than pursuing selfish agendas. As we look at the accomplished tasks in 2014, whether in the area of women concerns or relief, we can only give glory to God for the vision of Ruba and Nabeeh that has proven to be very timely in the tumultuous Middle East.

Rev. Charles Costa
Director of LivingWord Society
Middle East Coordinator - BMA of America Missions Dept.



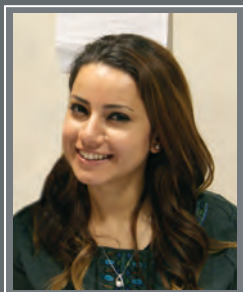
An Ever-Present Support for Women's Ministry

Our partnership with AWT goes back to the early years of this ministry. We feel, since we are ministries targeting women, that we complement each other in different areas. It is an honor to serve alongside these genuine Christians who have a deep passion to work for His glory.

Nada Safi Haddad
Director of I AM A WOMAN Center - Beirut, Lebanon



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I Am Who I Am Because of You

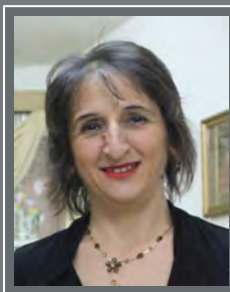
You loved me, cared about me and encouraged me. Because of you I know my value in Christ. You haven't only worked on one life, but have rather reached hundreds of sisters because you worked on my character through your trainings and media. You had my life and ministry change overall.

I shared all what I learned from you with my church through the meetings and groups I lead; even profited from the funny incidents and the lovely games we shared together. The impact was phenomenal!

What you built in me continues today with the Syrian Refugees I serve in Mafraq. I now acquire the experience, knowledge and method to reach the heart of a Syrian woman or a young lady, because simply I can understand her. I can relate to the reason behind the havoc and hurt she feels inside. I am now equipped to share the love of Christ that changes and heals. I can convey to a marginalized woman, whom the world, the society, the man and the religion describe as worthless, that Christ sees her precious and valuable. I am able to talk about the love, joy and peace that Jesus gives to the one who is ready to accept Him. And yes Lots of them do accept and change. The Lord is working wonders in the midst of those people, and the prayers are working miracles.

AWT, I can't thank you enough. May the Lord extend your borders and empower you with His strength. You are a genuine source of inspiration and blessing to Arab women.

Rawan Haddad



"Doors to the world opened in front of me!"

This is a quote from Blenda; a Networker from Iraq. And here is the story behind it.

Through AWT's 2013 Annual Network Conference, Blenda seized the opportunity and connected with Haggai Institute Regional Representative in the Middle East, who happened to be our main speaker at that year's Network Conference.

As a result of this networking, she arranged for him to visit Iraq and a great revival took place, one which saw its climax in the establishment of a branch of Haggai Institute in Iraq.

Blenda, who is now the Institute's coordinator in Iraq, didn't stop here. In our 2014 Network, she walked the extra mile by linking the AWT ministry with the Institute that she now represents, offering a chance for some of her fellow Networkers to be trained through Haggai Institute. Blenda who has been equipped for four years through AWT is now equipping servants on her own!

Secrets hidden in Syrian houses are different than what is being presented on the tables as problems:

Helpful Counseling, Life-Changing Impact

The Holy Spirit led one of the coaches to discover what was the reason behind a story that one of the Syrian ladies narrated. The coach said, “There is something obscure that I think is The THING that you need to share with me, not what you mentioned...” Here the whole story changed!

After following up through visits, the case that was first presented as a depression case that a Syrian lady’s son was passing through, was finally exposed to the light! It was an illegal affair between the son and his uncle’s wife.

The coach shared that this case is being followed up successfully, as a result of the great benefit she gained from the training she took with ACCTS on “Helpful Counseling Techniques”. The coach who expressed how she felt dealing with this situation said, “I was silent and waited, which is a technique I learned through the training... This training changed our lives 180° and this is how it’s impacting our Syrian sisters’ lives!”

From a Victim to a Victor

A Syrian lady was suffering from continuous grief and anger toward life, the matter that caused physical diseases, such as high blood pressure, a neurological disease and stomach pains. Such conditions continued for years. Most of the time she wasn’t able to get out of bed to perform her duties toward her family that consists of three girls and their father. She used to evade responsibility by staying asleep most of the time in order to hide her head in her bed and cry freely ... When she attended our first session she claimed that she is too hard on her daughters to a point of being unfair. After that she went back home, she embraced her three daughters who are 9, 7 and 5 years old.

At the second session, she shared how she feels toward her daughters and her husband. The coach talked to her about sadness and the existence of God and the importance of prayer and getting out of the grief cycle. When she learned about shock and grief, she promised that she would change all her behaviors.

In the last session she said, “I can now embrace my daughters, clean the house, talk with all my daughters and cook food.” She did almost all her duties and the greatest of all was that we heard her encouraging another Syrian lady to get out of the sadness and shock. Not to forget her healthy state of mind toward her daughters and her family.



Prayer Requests

The Bible clearly tells us, in James 5:16b, that “the prayer of a righteous person has great power as it is working.”

In light of the way that God responds to the prayer of those who are walking with Him, we believe that it is an essential factor in making our ministry useful to the Lord.

Won’t you please post the following prayer requests somewhere in your home and commit to lifting one of them before the Lord in prayer from time to time throughout 2015?

Please pray...

1. For ACCTS-AWT’s ability to contribute to the growth of God’s kingdom through our outreach activities in the Arab World
2. For the refugees that we serve to see, not only the physical items that we provide, but the love of Jesus in our giving
3. For the safety of the Jordanian people and the many foreigners that live in Jordan in light of recent terrorist threats
4. For the financial health of ACCTS-AWT in light of a mortgage that must be paid off and a number of 2015 operating costs that have not yet been met
5. For the increased effectiveness of our programs to evangelize and disciple Arab women, especially with regards to our endeavor to utilize various forms of social media

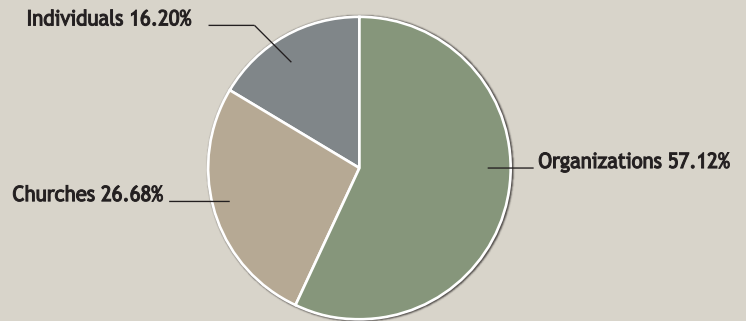
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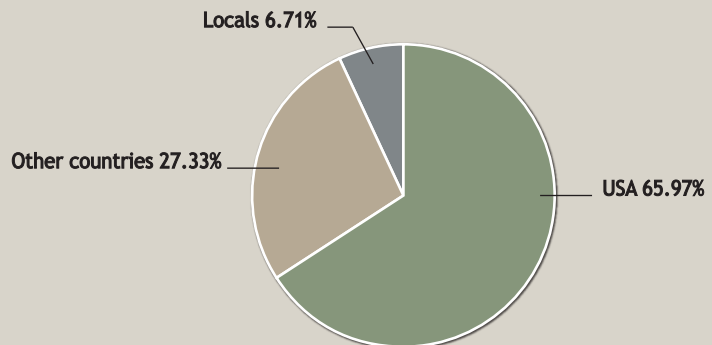
1. **CHRISTAR** is a mission organization that receives funds for ACCTS (AWT) projects and provides donors with receipts. To maintain the highest standard of financial accountability, Christar is a member of the Evangelical Council for Financial Accountability, CrossGlobal Link, The Mission Exchange and the Canadian Council of Christian Charities. They also have a yearly audit conducted by an independent accounting firm. The results of the audit are open and available to all who request them
2. ACCTS (AWT) has a third party, a certified auditor who examines the financial reports annually. The auditor insures that the bookkeeping, accounting system and internal controls are accurate. Copies of the report are available upon request
3. We feel it is very important to be transparent with our donors. All financial information is available upon request



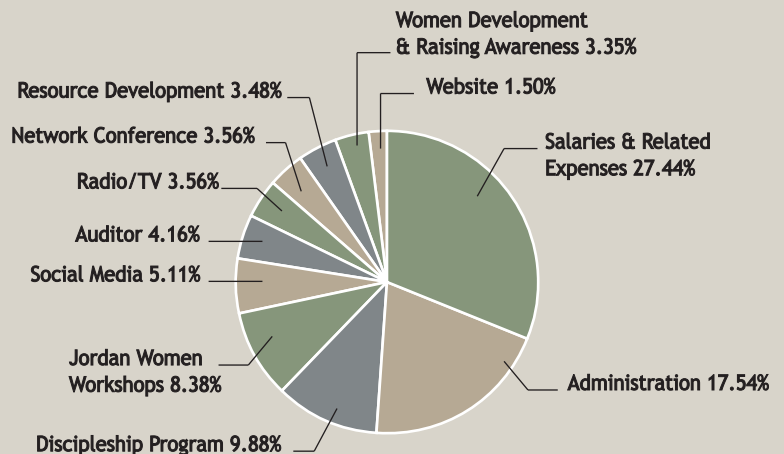
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