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Welcome to Majd AlAjji



We are delighted to welcome Majd AlAjji to the role of Regional Manager in Calgary. Majd will be focusing on partnerships with Ethnic Churches.

Majd has a Masters of Divinity degree from Beirut and an undergraduate in English Literature from Aleppo University. He comes to us with extensive Canadian federal government experience. Majd has spent several years working with and welcoming refugees to Canada, especially those escaping from the recent Syrian crisis. He also has spent time most recently working with the Canadian Baptists of Western Canada and with Westview Baptist Church in Calgary. We are extremely grateful for Majd's background in these areas, as he is primarily responsible for ministering to refugees settling into the Calgary region.

Welcome to the CBS family, Majd!

We welcome our New Director of National Programs to CBS

Duncan Campbell joins the Canadian Bible Society in the role of Director of National Programs January 2, 2019. With 30 years of program development and extensive International Relief and Development leadership, Duncan brings a wealth of knowledge and a passion for Christian ministry to the role. We welcome Duncan as brings his leadership and support to the Regional teams across Canada.



The Excitement of Receiving God's Word!

Do you remember the excitement you felt when you received your first Bible ever? If you can't remember, perhaps the following comments from our Christian Camping association partner's campers – who had just received a Bible of their very own – will spark some memories. Courtney Armstrong, Camp Director at Camp Evergreen said the Grade 5 and 6 campers were very excited. This quote was shared by one of the campers:



"Wow! It's super cool to have a Bible. I'll now be able to take the time to read it!"

Last October CBS regional Manager Majd AlAjji traveled to Edmonton to promote CBS at a conference and make some new CBS connections in the city. One evening he was there having his haircut by a Tunisian Muslim barber. When Majd mentioned that he worked for CBS and that he distributed Bibles "In Arabic", the Tunisian man was delighted.

He exclaimed, "Did God send you here? I have been waiting for many years to have my own copy of the Bible in Arabic!" Majd quickly went to his car to get him an Arabic copy of the Bible. When Majd returned, the man instantly grabbed it from his hand, sat down on a chair outside, opened it to Genesis 1 and started reading out loud. After finishing half of chapter one, he said: "I am so thankful - it was a dream to hold my very own Bible!"

Majd said he has given out many Bibles before, but never saw enthusiasm like this. He is indeed honoured to be working for CBS and is praying that the Holy Spirit would work in this man's life and guide him to know Jesus as his personal Saviour.

Distributing Bibles, Transforming Lives!

As CBS volunteers, we were delighted to provide “Word of Welcome” Bibles to English as a Second Language (ESL) students through the International Learning Centre in Calgary.

Nada, a teacher and coordinator at the Centre, wrote to tell us about the impact the Scriptures were having on some of those who had received them.

“In the spring, a woman from Mexico by the name of Lorena received a Bible,” Nada writes. “Several days later she told me she had not gone to church or read the Bible for many years. But since the day she received the “Word of Welcome” Bible we gave her at school, she has been reading it every day, and finding great comfort in its words.”

Nada shares about a young woman from Germany by the name of Stefani. After receiving her Bible, Stefani started attending a local church and was subsequently baptized. She also writes about Alyta, a young Brazilian woman, who told



Nada that after taking her English-language Bible home, her boyfriend had enthusiastically joined her in reading it.

And finally, Djon from Chad, was so impressed with his Bible (and with the many “helps” it contained) that he had asked for two additional copies to take back to his country in Africa to share with pastors there.

Nada concludes her letter by saying, that “even Muslim and Buddhist students have willingly taken the Bibles. May God continue to bless the great work that you are doing.”



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