What is **Engaging Islam?**

Engaging Islam is a two-week course on evangelism and discipleship. Perfect for local workers, missionaries, or anyone who wants to effectively engage Muslims with the gospel.





"I came away from Horizons' Engaging Islam Intensive training feeling prepared, confident, and excited to share the good news with Muslims! Since I attended this training, I have greatly deepened friendships with my Muslim friends and been having great discussions about Jesus! I also started visiting Iraqi refugees in my town with Heidi, an Engaging Islam Intensive classmate and friend. This year Heidi and I began hosting a study group based on the Engaging Islam curriculum. Our desire is to equip others and to invite them into ministry with us.

In 2014, I interned with Horizons International in Beirut, Lebanon to serve among the Syrian refugees. I was so impacted by my work there that I am preparing to go back to Lebanon, long term! I highly recommend Georges Houssney's Engaging Islam Intensive training program to everyone! With the growing number of refugees coming to our countries, it is vital that the church be equipped to show the love of Christ to them. So what are you waiting for? Sign up for the training, and tell your friends!"

-Annie

Boulder, CO July 11th-22nd

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We are Horizons

Meet new Horizons International staff member Patil Kazanjian, serving in Beirut, Lebanon. Patil began serving as an intern with the MENA team in the summer of 2015, while juggling several jobs in order to serve with Horizons. After praying for God to provide a way to be with Horizons full time, MENA Director Pierre Houssney called her the very next day with a job offer! She was able to join Horizons full time in February and has already been an incredible asset and encouragement to the team! She is involved in many areas of ministry, including helping plan the next Engaging Islam Intensive in Beirut. She also leads worship, teaches, and disciples women at the center! When asked about what she wants to do long term she says, "My calling is to be a missionary, especially to the homeless and the poor."



Want to do more?

PRAY: sign up for daily or weekly prayer updates! main@horizonsinternational.org

GIVE: help Horizons proclaim, disciple, and equip! horizonsinternational.org/give

GO: attend or host a training event! **Engagingislam.org**







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Morocco Update: 3 Baptisms

Horizons International Asia

Base Established in Hong Kong!



orizons International Asia had a very productive first year! Our staff in Hong Kong officially joined Horizons on January 1, 2015 and got to work immediately! Forming a board, they began the process of applying for nonprofit status. We praise God that they received approval in February 2016!

In the past year, ministry staff and volunteers established HorizonsInternationalAsia.org and have been discipling nearly 2000 followers, including students and ministry leaders, through a private Facebook group. Through blog postings, videos, and discussion questions, they are encouraging Christians to engage with Muslims.

The Hong Kong staff is involved in training, seminars, and sermons in several churches in the area. Also, Georges Houssney visited in 2014 and 2016 to lead additional training events throughout the region.

Churches were filled and the team was greatly encouraged to see Hong Kong Churches' desire to reach the growing numbers of Muslims living there and begin to understand the great challenges ahead. Horizons International Asia is actively reaching out to Muslims locally and sending missionaries to other areas in Asia. As the ministry has grown, Horizons has taken on a Bible-school intern to be discipled while helping manage the rapid growth.

This summer, Hong Kong staff will return to Beirut with a team to take part in our Engaging Islam training at the Hope of the Nations Center and be involved in evangelistic outreaches. We look forward with great anticipation to what the Lord will do through our new team!

-Linda Raymond, Marketing Specialist



Beirut Building Update

Beirut Center Purchased!

At long last we have finally signed the papers and paid for the building of which we have been renting two floors, which is the main Beirut center (Hope of the Nations). We now own all four floors, and will be expanding our activities!! Join us in praising God for providing almost the whole purchase price of \$500,000 through generous giving by the Horizons family over the past three years!! We now have only about \$15k of debt on the property, and will need to raise an additional \$65k for retroactive permits and property tax. This is a huge milestone for Horizons' growth and long-term establishment in Lebanon!



Photo: Horizons' Beirut team in front of the newly purchased ministry center



"Three nationals from our city were baptized - 2 men and I woman. The 2 men were led to the Lord by other nationals. We had the opportunity to be a part of 2 out of the 3 baptisms."

MOrocco Update Fired for His Faith

A dear friend of our workers in Morocco, John* is a local believer. John worked at a café, but was recently fired for sharing his faith with others. Despite this hardship, John continues to serve the Lord and share the good news of the gospel! John's wife also has a severe mental illness, and he was advised by many people around him to divorce her because of it. However, John remains committed to his wife and family and continues to provide for them. Noticing John's gentle spirit and character, his daughter and her husband have started studying God's word. John has also faced pressure from his sons to leave the house because of his faith, so he recently moved out, but continues to support them. Regardless, John boldly and humbly serves the Lord and is an example of the work that the Lord is doing in North Africa! *name changed for security reasons*

"Indeed, all who desire to live a godly life in Christ Jesus will be persecuted." - 2 Timothy 3:12