

The Mission

Pastor Gus has a Board of Directors consisting of pastors and lay people who are active in the ministry. People from more than 30 different bible believing churches and organizations in the Lehigh Valley, participate with him.

Gus believes that the Lord sent him to the United States to grant faith and strength to believers in the West. He carries the Holy message in his heart for the people of this age. He does not compromise, but preaches the Word and reaches out to every soul that is open to the Gospel.

Personal

In 1987, Gus met a Christian girl who became his wife a year later. Michele, an elementary school teacher, loves the Lord and her desire is to serve him in whatever capacity needed.

God has granted them three sons: Adam, Jonathan, and Michael, three daughters-in-law: Ellie, Chandler, and Sabrina and three grandchildren: Laine, Lydia, Gabriel and an expected blessing due in February of 2024. Their ministry as a family begins with prayer and seeking, and ends with obedience.



“... I heard the voice of the Lord, saying, Whom shall I send, and who will go for us. then said I,

*“Here am I,
Send Me.”*

Isaiah 6:8

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Life Ministries



Gus Al-Khal
A Syrian With a
Message
about
Jesus

History

Gus was born in the country of Syria into a Presbyterian home. Until he was 13 years of age, the church that was established in the 19th century by American missionaries was closed.

Gus attended the government sponsored Muslim school the last three years of his high school education. In that time, Gus was fascinated with the teachings of Islam that put in him a lot of questions which led him to search for God. He learned Islamic traditions and studied the Quran (Islamic Holy Book). At the age of 15, he was preparing for military training with the goal of becoming an Air Force Pilot following his high school education.

In 1976, an Armenian Presbyterian minister came and introduced Gus to a saving knowledge of Jesus Christ, and he was disciplined for two years under this Holy man of God.

The Call of God

With a miracle of God in 1978, Gus left the country of Syria to come to America. Moving to Detroit, Michigan, Gus began to look for a spiritual home. He attended Bethel Baptist Temple and was baptized in water on the 24th of August, 1980.

Gus described a moving experience with the Lord which brought him to a fuller commitment to Christ. He clearly felt God's direction, anointing, a cleansing came over him and above all, obedience to the word of God. Immediately after this spiritual experience, Gus felt a burden for his people. With his knowledge of Islam, experience with nominal Christianity and Middle Eastern tradition he became a worker among the Arabs and Muslims in Detroit, Michigan.

The Commitment

In 1982, Gus moved from Detroit to Allentown, Pennsylvania to work among the Arab community in the area. Three years later, a ministry among the Arabs was birthed from his home, and Gus began to reach hundreds of Arab speaking people in America by publishing a magazine in the Arabic language called "The Light and the Truth." Through the magazine, he was able to send Arabic and English Bibles free of charge to families who lived and immigrated to America

God expanded the work from not only his nationality but toward the desire for every soul with which he came into contact with. Gus began preaching on the street corners and in local city parks. The Lord moved in people's lives and thousands have been saved; so God fulfilled his word to Gus revealing that God cannot be limited to any color or nationality.

In 1998, Gus was introduced to the Evangelical Congregational Church. He joined the denomination and began to plant a church in Bethlehem for Arabic speaking people. The Arabic Living E.C. Church was established and Gus became a licensed minister in the Congregational Church. After 16 years of employment with M.A. Hanna Engineering he resigned to give his full time and attention to the ministry.

Pastor Gus also planted New Bethany E.C. Church in Allentown in 2002. New Bethany is a multicultural church with a vision to reach the hurting in the Lehigh Valley and surrounding areas and bring them to Christ.

At present, Everlasting Life Ministries which was established in 1985, includes extensive and intensive work with the Arabic speaking people around the United States and includes holiday dinners as well as a weekly Senior Luncheon that feeds over 1700 homeless and low-income people yearly. E.L.M. also serves food and groceries for over 120 families weekly, as well as a clothing bank that assists over 100 families per week. E.L.M. was founded by Pastor Gus in 1982 with a vision for reaching the inner cities of the Lehigh Valley. He continues to participate in the planting of churches in Syria and throughout the Middle East and assists with Christian missionary work to this day. At present, Pastor Gus serves as the President of E.L.M. and lead Pastor at Arabic Living E.C. Church and New Bethany E.C. Church.