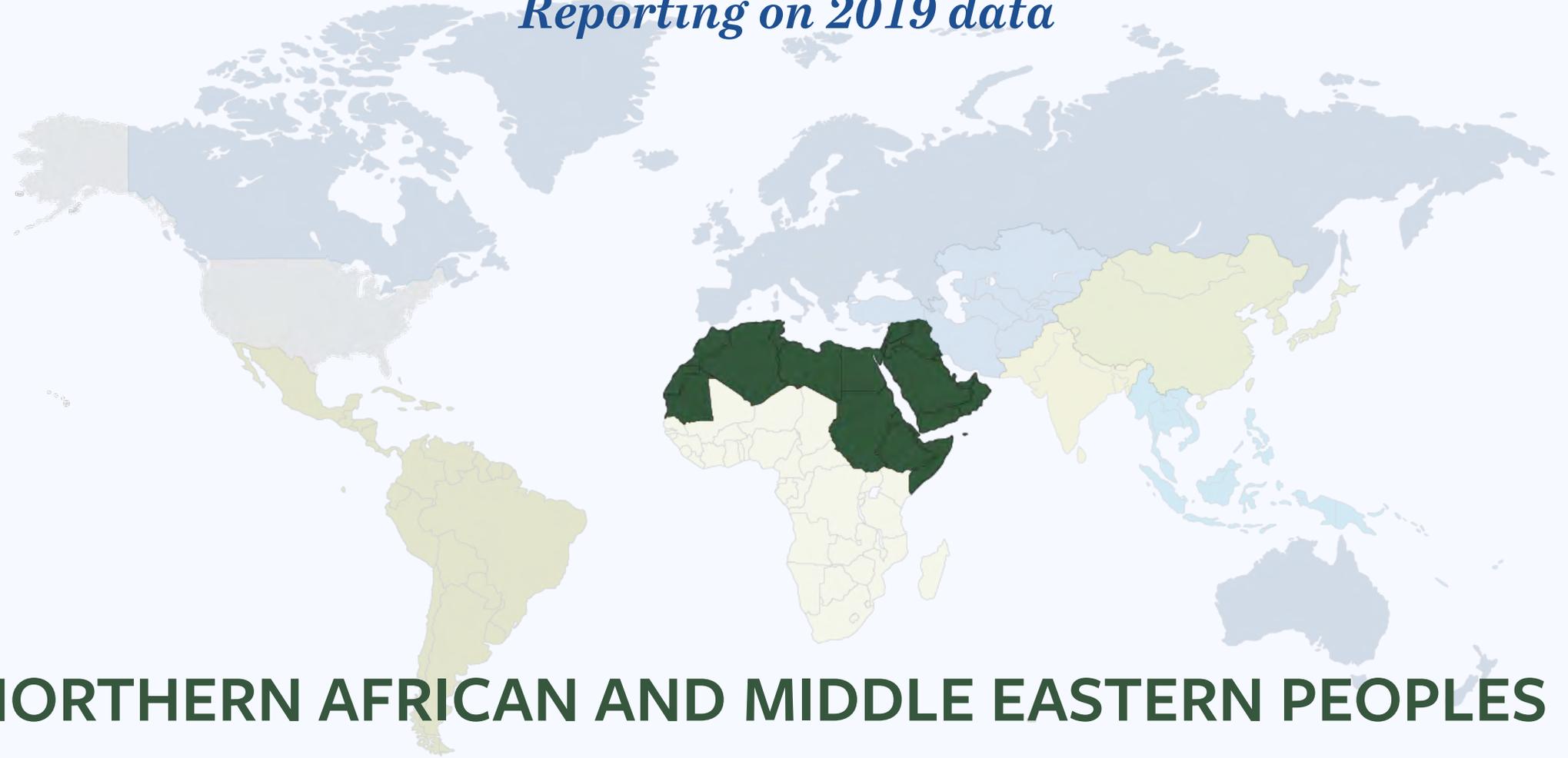




# ANNUAL STATISTICAL REPORT

*Reporting on 2019 data*



## NORTHERN AFRICAN AND MIDDLE EASTERN PEOPLES

OUR

*A multitude from every language, people, tribe and nation  
knowing and worshiping our Lord Jesus Christ*

(Rev. 7:9-10)

# VISION MISSION

*To serve Southern Baptists in carrying out the  
Great Commission to make disciples of all nations*

STRATEGIC

ANCHORS

*Advance the missionary  
task among unreached  
peoples and places*

*Advance relationships  
with Southern Baptists  
and global partners*

*Advance efficiency  
and effectiveness of  
global operations*

# Six Components of the Missionary Task

*In light of the full testimony of Scripture, we believe the core missionary task has six components.*



# NORTHERN AFRICAN AND MIDDLE EASTERN PEOPLES



8,165

DYING DAILY WITHOUT CHRIST

POPULATION 552,784,375

Approximate numbers calculated using IMB global population and evangelical Christian estimates.

*But I do not account my life of any value nor as precious to myself, if only I may finish my course and the ministry that I received from the Lord Jesus, to testify to the gospel of the grace of God. — ACTS 20:24 (ESV)*

# NORTHERN AFRICAN AND MIDDLE EASTERN PEOPLES



**162**

**NEW CHURCHES  
PLANTED**



**31,460**

**HEARD GOSPEL  
WITNESS**



**19,325**

**OPPORTUNITY TO  
RESPOND**



**4,686**

**NEW BELIEVERS**



**1,394**

**BAPTISMS**



**1,706**

**LEADERSHIP  
TRAININGS**



**1**

**NEW ENGAGEMENT**

All data, except for active field personnel and unreached people group counts, reflects information from the 2019 Data-Year Annual Statistical Report (IMB).



# STORIES FROM THE FIELD

## *Northern African and Middle Eastern Peoples*



### Entry

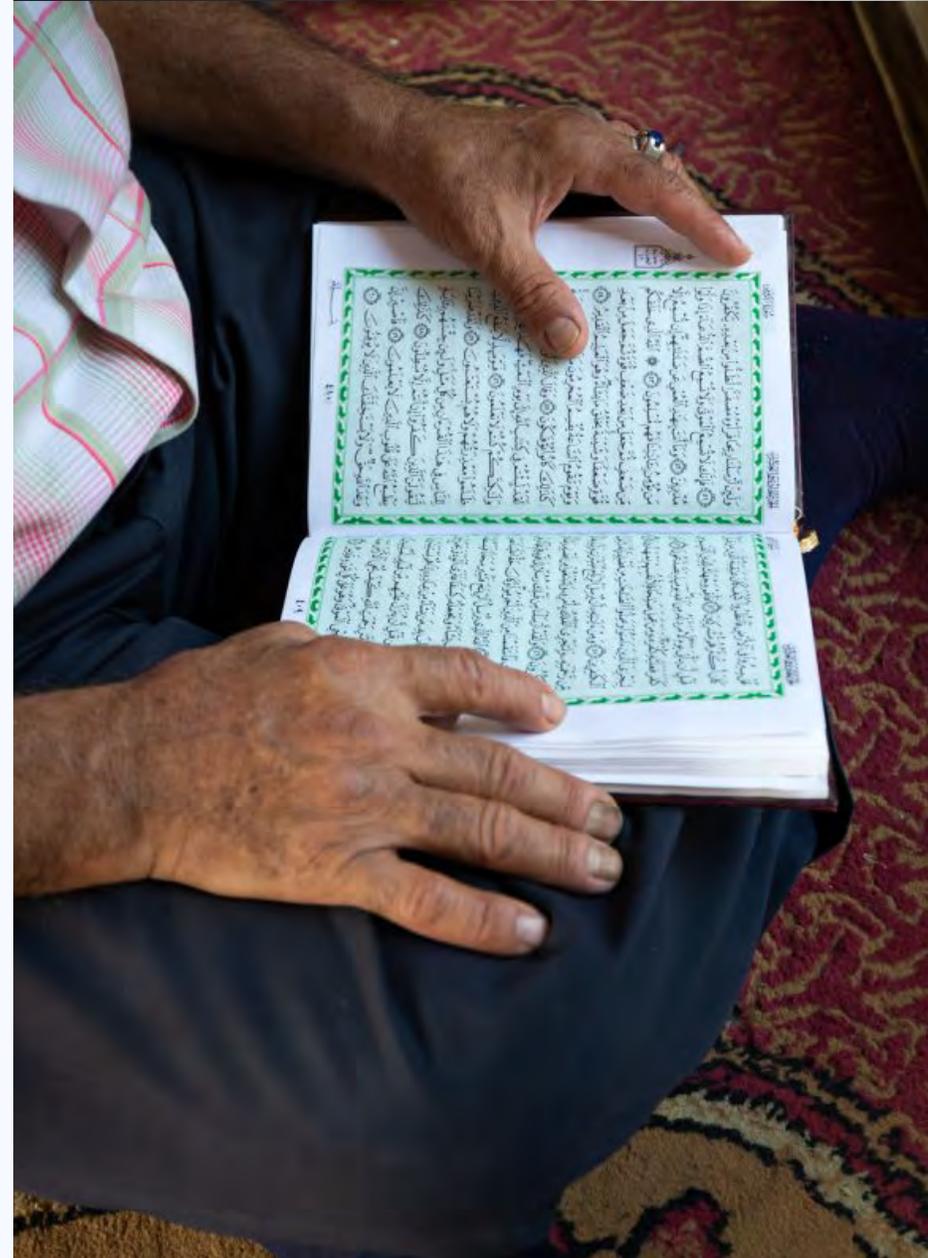
A few months ago, three workers went out to share with people in the park. They met Amina\* and shared the gospel with her. Amina said she's wanted to know more about Jesus for some time now, because once while getting on the ferry to North Africa she got a packet with a New Testament and the Jesus film in it. Since that time, they have been meeting together. Even last week, she said she believes that only Jesus can forgive sins and that he died and rose again.



### Evangelism

A clinic, a gym, a coffee shop, a living room, the barbershop, the park, a classroom — these are places where evangelism is happening as people are asked, “You are different from other foreigners we know. Why?” or “I am [another faith], and you are Christian. We are all the same, right?” Praise God for the life-on-life evangelism.

\*Name changed



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### Discipleship

Amal\* came to faith from conversations she had online with someone in North America, but she wanted to study face-to-face with other believers. She met with two workers, and the fellowship was sweet as they opened the Word together. When they came to the lesson on prayer, Amal was afraid to pray out loud. “It’s a conversation with Jesus. You can do it.” And she did.



### Healthy Church Formation

A small group of men sit together in a simple apartment. They have fellowship, study the Word and pray together. They are not a church, but they are the ‘beginnings’ of what will become a church one day. Praise God for the many small groups who are meeting. Praise God with faith, each will grow to become church.

\*Name changed





# STORIES FROM THE FIELD

## *Northern African and Middle Eastern Peoples*



### Leadership Development

A seasoned worker in North Africa with a passion for training leaders began to devote most of his time to training local and foreign believers in evangelism, discipleship, church planting, and leadership. During this year, he was able to train national leaders across North Africa as well as many new foreign leaders.



### Exit to Partnership

Many national leaders from Asia and NAME met to get to know each other, share stories and discuss what God is doing in their lives. Workers from each country explained their own strategies, translating and explaining culture in the process. Together they began to formulate strategies for sending and receiving workers to take the gospel throughout NAME. What a picture of the Body of Christ, working together as partnerships are formed with people from all over the globe.





# 2025 TARGETS

*to engage unreached peoples and places*

Mobilize 75% of Southern Baptist churches prayerfully  
and financially supporting LMCO

—  
Send an additional 500 fully funded missionaries

—  
Mobilize 500 global missionary partners on IMB teams

—  
Engage 75 global cities in comprehensive strategies

—  
Increase LMCO receipts 6% annually





## *Please Pray*

*Give thanks for the 9% increase in those who have heard the gospel, but also pray fervently for all believers to share their faith more consistently.*

*Intercede for believers who live where access is limited and persecution poses a threat as they seek to meet for Bible study and worship.*



## *Please Pray*

*Ask God to guide the mobilization of 500 global missionary partners to join IMB teams in reaching the nations.*

*Pray that the Lord will inspire missionaries with creative and productive strategies to engage 75 global cities with the Good News.*

*Ask the Lord to send an additional 500 missionaries and ask Him to show you what role He has for you.*



*Every church. Every nation.*



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