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Thanks once again for taking the time to read our letter, and also for allowing us to share our excitement with you as it continues to grow with each passing day. Our sincerest desire remains to help and show the Muslim people that there is hope, a future, and a way away from Islam for their families. In order to help them, we need to be there. To be there, we need to be able to effectually communicate with them and, to the best of our ability, understand the entirety of their culture – the social organization of families and friends, their religion, and their customs and traditions. Together, we are effective in this endeavor and able to do this with your generous support.



In order to keep you well informed of our plans and preparations, we want to share our goals for financial support for language school with you. Calculated for a one-year time frame, these amounts are separated into two categories: **one-time** expenses and **monthly** expenses. For travel to and arrival at Arabic language school, the **initial up-front expenses** include tuition/fees/books, travel/visa, and rent. Rent in many countries overseas is paid for the entire year in one lump sum up front. Starting now, with 10 months before our departure, this total amount of **\$14,884 comes to a very achievable goal of \$1,489 per month to raise!**



Once in country and enrolled in school, **monthly living expenses**, which include food/household, utilities, cell/internet service, and ministry needs (books/literature for distribution), total \$1,300 a month. These are bottom-line figures we want you to know in order to maintain the transparency we desire in our ministry.

All of the amounts are based off of cost-of-living research and contact with our school director within the country we will be residing. Instead of enrolling at the main campus in the major metropolitan city, we have chosen to enroll in the smaller extension school located in a smaller, more conservative area. This offers us many benefits, two of them being lower tuition rates and an all-around lower cost of living; but more importantly, closer interaction with the local people and their culture.

Our primary focus will always remain the study of the spoken and written Arabic language in the most economical way we can do it. We are very thankful for you and want to be good stewards of the financial support you provide, and as always, we will be happy to answer any questions you may have regarding our ministry.

Sincerely,

Patrick and Teresa Houghteling