

THE MISSION

Gus has a Board of Directors consisting of pastors and lay people who are active in the ministry. People from 30 different Bible believing churches in the Lehigh Valley, participated 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. Michelle, who is an elementary school teacher, loves the Lord and her desire is to serve Him in whatever capacity is needed. God has presently granted them three sons; Adam, Jonathan, and Michael. Their ministry as a family begins with prayer and seeking, and ends with obedience.

If you feel the call to be involved with any part of the ministry please contact us at:

EVERLASTING LIFE MINISTRIES

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“Then said I, Woe is me! For I am undone; because I am a man of unclean lips, and I dwell in the midst of a people of unclean lips: for mine eyes have seen the Lord of Hosts.

Then flew one of the seraphims unto me having a live coal in his hand; which he had taken with the tongs from off the altar.

And he laid it upon my mouth, and said, Lo, this hath touched thy lips; and thine iniquity is taken away, and thy sin purged.

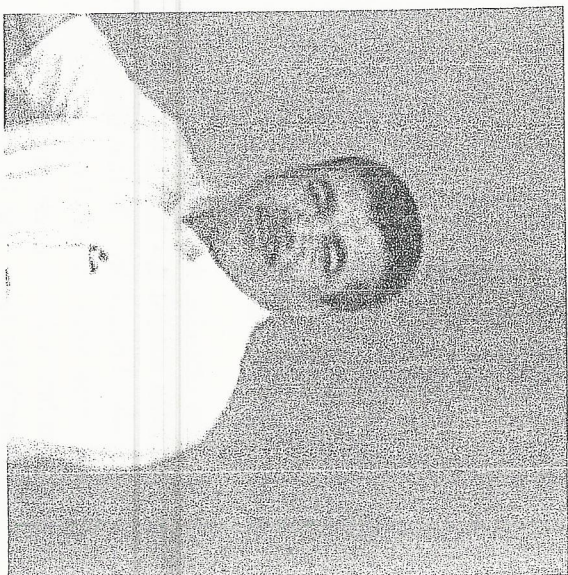
Also I heard the voice of the Lord, saying, Whom shall I send, and who will go for us?

Then said I,
Here am I; send me.

ISAIAH 6:5-8



“And you shall know the truth and the truth shall set you free.” John 8:



**GUS AL-KHAL
A SYRIAN
WITH A
MESSAGE
ABOUT
JESUS**

*“You who make mention of the Lord, do not keep silent.”
Isaiah 62:6*

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 the 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 the Islamic tradition 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 disciple for two years under this Holy man of God.

THE CALL OF GOD

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

His life was forever touched by Christ when he attended a Christian camp in Ohio.

Gus describes 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 birthed and from his home, 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 live and immigrate to America.

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

Pastor Gus also planted New Bethany Evangelical Congregational Church in Allentown in 2002. New Bethany Church 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 Ministry which was established in 1985, includes extensive and intensive work with the Arabic speaking people around the United States and includes holiday dinners which feed over 1,700 homeless and low income a year, food and grocery help for over 170 families per week, clothing bank to assist over 100 families per week, and a Community Kitchen that serves hot meals weekly to more than 50 senior citizens age 50 and older. E.L.M. was founded by Rev. Gus Al-Khal in 1982 with a vision for reaching the lost from the inner cities of the Lehigh Valley. He was born in Syria where he participated in the planting of churches and Christian works. E.L.M. supports this on-going work in the Middle East. At present, Gus is the president of E.L.M., as well as the Pastor and Founder of an Arabic Evangelical Church in Bethlehem, Pennsylvania. He, his wife Michele, and their three sons live in Allentown and are active in these ministries.