



Dear Friends

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I hope you all are fine. Thanks to the friends who asked and wrote to us. In general, we are still survived, trying to be careful as much as possible in a very critical conditions, for sure you are following the situation and news. The Israeli aircrafts are hitting/bombing everywhere in most of Lebanon, South Lebanon, the mountains, Beqaa, Baalbek, Hermil, Keserwan and Beirut, especially Dahieh. (southern suburb of Beirut) This week, Cola square and Bachoura area in the heart of Beirut were the Israeli target, where is the biggest Islamic cemetery, and the Islamic Red Crescent and Civil Deafens whom were worned by Israeli forces not to rescue where the people injured. Which means nowhere and nobody is safe in Beirut or Lebanon. The health Minister declared Yesterday: 1974 martyr+ included 127 children+260 women+ 9381 injured During the Israeli invasion.

Concerning the Palestinian and other inhabitants who are living in the Palestinian camps and its surrounding, Palestinian, Syrian, Lebanese and others. UNRWA put its plan, which concentrated on few places for the Palestinians to go in case Israeli army bombed. Mainly, Nahr El Bared schools campus and Siblin vocational Centre campus. It wasn't practical and not enough solution. Then UNRWA managed to use part of a Lebanese school in Beirut. So, when the Israel extended its war to Beirut, it caused huge pressure of need of places to shelter for the displaced Palestinian families from the South Lebanon, mainly Bourj Al Shamali and Rachedieh camps and gatherings, plus Bourj El Barajneh, Shatila and Dahieh.

Siblin campus from the first day was filled with 60% Lebanese, 30% Palestinian and 20% Syrian displaced families. So UNRWA was obliged to open three UNRWA schools in Sabra / Beirut to receive almost 150 families, beside hundreds of families went to relatives or friends in and out of the camps, even in the streets or empty places like the Martyr square, parks, or the seaside.

(more than 250 Thousand mainly Syrians have passed the borders to Syria)

Last 8 days, Israeli forces moved to new military strategy of bombing, killing civilians and complete families, and full distraction. With using new American and European weapons. Rockets and bombs. That lead one Million and three Hundred thousand of displace people to come from South Lebanon, plus hundreds of thousand families from everywhere to Beirut and other cities and villages in the mountain and North Lebanon in very difficult conditions.

None has the capacity to cover the needs, Lebanese government is bankrupt, UNRWA strategy shows the poor planning, with the minimum possibilities. The big UN, International associations just ask for data, as if the war didn't start one year ago completely. They provide nothing yet, waiting the permission to let them showing the humanitarian face of the decision makers. So, the local NGO's are trying to help with what is available, matrasses. water, or food meals or hygiene. Thanks to the local communities for the moral and material contribution or facilitating shelters to the displaced families.

CYC doesn't have fund for emergency. But we can't hesitate not to help.

First, we call for volunteers, many youths were positive in Shatila and Al Bared camps, even more than we can run with.

Second, we thought how to work wisely and to involve the displaced families in the caring of themselves, not to be birds waiting who put the food in their mouths doing nothing. We believe

Sandwiches or ready meals won't be enough, nor practical if the situation extended as its expected. Especially at night the children feel hungry, but there is no fire stove to cook something, making tea or coffee. CYC started with two kitchen Gas with three heads with big gas bottles in Two Sabra schools. we are planning to put in each floor one which is 6 gases, but we are waiting to get the support. Even though, the families were pleased for the initiative.

We are providing meals in the schools, and food material to cook for the families who are staying at other families or alone, water, hygiene material. In Shatila and Nahr Al Bared CYC teams did a campaign to collect secondhand clothes from the people. CYC provided shoes for the children.

Third: In addition to relief work, we start a special program for the children, providing recreational and moral support, with refreshment to make them happy, selfconfidence, reducing their fright of hearing the bombing sounds, improving their psychology and reactions.

We did long sessions to discuss with the parents mainly mothers, to give space of freedom to the children to react, to express what they feel. Not reflect the parents fears or concerns and worries on their children. we inspired the parents to talk friendly and understand that the children have fears too.

CYC Al Bared team did a good job with obtain 17 houses from friends and relatives to 17 displaced families came from different area.

We are waiting the friends' donation and support to continue our services and assistants, because it's not possible for us to continue supporting the families.

Forth: after the displaced people movement has no stability, more people are escaping, moving from place to place, CYC stablished a group to follow up the Data according to number of who still in the camp, new displaced in the camp and who left, to see what is the size of the requests and needs. But up to now unfortunately more families are coming.

Meanwhile this group has to certify the urgent needs to the new displaced families, to facilitate for CYC team the priorities of needs of the families. Although most of the families came with nothing, but there are variety of needs according the family numbers, needs, and conditions. (clothes, mattresses, cover, (kitchen set, dishes, plates, cups, spoons, knives, little pots). Nutrition items, medicines, hygiene, children milk, women need, shoes. etc.) Certain families are one old person, some with children or without, families include special need cases.

More displaced families are expected to come from the South Lebanon camps, gatherings, cities and villages, even Beirut camps. Which means the pressure will increase in Beirut and Nahr El Bared.

Here we are
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