

FOCUS

Bringing help, healing, and hope
in Christ to vulnerable children



GOD PROVIDED

When Amina* fled Sudan and arrived in Egypt as a refugee, she carried more than a small bag of belongings. She carried fear, exhaustion, and the heavy responsibility of caring for her two young children, Omar and Fatima,* alone.

Life in Egypt was harder than they had expected. The weather was colder than anything they had experienced before. With limited resources and no family around them, the nights felt especially long. As the temperature dropped, so did Amina's strength. She worried constantly about Omar and Fatima—how to keep them warm, how to help them bathe, how to provide even the simplest comforts.

One night, overwhelmed and exhausted, Amina cried out to God. She argued with Him. She asked if He truly saw her and her children.

"God, if You are really taking care of us, where is Your provision?" she prayed, her faith shaken by loneliness and fear.

That night, doubt filled her heart. But the next morning, a ministry team led by ACTION's field worker, S.H., knocked on her door.

They had come to visit, unaware of the prayer she had poured out just hours before. They brought warm jackets for Amina, Omar and Fatima, thick blankets to protect them from the cold nights, and a kettle so Amina could heat water for bathing and caring for her family. As Amina and her children received these simple items, tears filled their eyes. Amina told the team about her prayer the night before—about her doubts, her questions, and her fear that God had forgotten her.



Standing there, holding jackets and blankets meant for survival, she realized something powerful:

God had provided.

Through this visit, Amina's faith was renewed. She and her children no longer saw themselves as alone. They saw God's care made visible through His people.

'Lord, ...when did we see you a stranger and invite you in, or needing clothes and clothe you?' ...The King will reply, 'Truly I tell you, whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers and sisters of mine, you did for me.' (Matthew 25:37-40)

*Names were changed

Since conflict erupted in Sudan in April 2023 an estimated 1.5 million Sudanese refugees have fled to Egypt, the majority being women and children. ACTION's work in Egypt prioritizes the protection and support of vulnerable families and at-risk children, including displaced populations, while demonstrating Christ's love in practical and dignified ways. Much of the ministry focus is on refugees, including the provision of education, school supplies and daily breakfast to 1250 students in two Sudanese refugee schools. The team also ministers regularly to street children and with orphanages in Cairo.

Ultimately, they desire to reach children and youth with the message of salvation in Jesus Christ and accompany them in their spiritual growth.

Through the **Children in Crisis Fund**, ACTION provides vital financial support to our global workers who may need extra funding, like those serving the many needs of refugees in Egypt. Your prayers and your financial support help them continue to make a difference in many children's lives. Please consider giving generously through the links below. Thank you for partnering with us.

A PRAYER FOR REFUGEES:

Almighty and merciful God,
whose Son became a refugee and had no place to call his own;
look with mercy on those who today are fleeing from danger,
homeless and hungry.
Bless those who work to bring them relief;
inspire generosity and compassion in all our hearts;
and guide the nations of the world towards that day when all will rejoice in your Kingdom of justice and of peace;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.+

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