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Ordaining a Bishop for Brazil and a Bishop for Bolivia

It is a story of a struggle and patience that the Coptic Church started more than 15 years ago in this distant continent; I mean South America or Latin America...

We were late in checking on it and we did not think that we have a congregation there or that we may have a congregation there...

Brazil for example speaks Portuguese and none of the fathers of priests or monks in our Coptic church talks this language...

And Bolivia speaks Spanish and it is also one of the languages that we do not know.

And we do not have a church in any of these distant countries and we have no connection with any Coptic who lives there...

And it was not easy to find any of the reverend fathers who accept to go there! How would he work? Or with whom would we work? And what are the possibilities of working there? And would he consider it an exile?

Therefore, working there seemed impossible but there is nothing impossible for God and for His grace when it works.

The first two trials did not come with the required result, then God willed that the third trial happens by sending Fr. Aghathon El Anba Paula who we recommended to persist, to continue and to learn the

language. And if he finds difficulty he should tell us and with God's grace we stand by him in going through difficulties...

And we asked our son Hegomen Mikhail Edward the priest of our church in Cleveland (Ohio, North America) to be our delegate in all what is related to establishing a church there.

And God stepped in and we bought a land.

And we built the church. And Fr. Aghathon learnt and mastered Portuguese. And the preaching work and baptizing new believers started. And as came in the Acts chapter "" (Ac 2:47).

Then he moved to work in Bolivia.

And he needed another monk to work with him and nominated to us reverend father Youssef El Anba Paula, so we sent him.

And the same work repeated in Bolivia. And Fr. Youssef learnt and mastered Spanish. And he was active in preaching work. And the Coptic church was built. And the new believers were baptized. And we started having a congregation in Bolivia and some lands and buildings.

Then was our trip to Brazil and Bolivia to consecrate the church of each. And the Coptic presence became a practical fact.

And after the two fathers

succeeded in their service we say that ordaining them as bishops will help in them continuing their service in spreading God's word in the rest of Latin America.

We should help them here by forming a service group that studies both Spanish and Portuguese and be prepared to travel and work in preaching and building God's kingdom.

Please check the article by Hegomen Mikhail Edward about the Coptic Church in Brazil and Bolivia (p 4).

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Important Successive News

1. The meeting of the Holy Synod Committees from Monday 5-6 to Friday 9-6.
2. The Holy Synod regular meeting as done every year on the Saturday before Pentecost (10th June).
3. On the evening prayers of the same day starts the rituals that precede ordaining the two bishops.
4. Sunday (Pentecost) the ordination of the first two bishops of South America.

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Illustrated Church News

With the Head of the Evangelical Church of Egypt and a Large Number of its Leaderships

On the morning of Tuesday, 23-5, HH the Pope received Dr. Safwat El Baiady the head of the Evangelical Church and Dr. Fr. Andria Zaki the Head of the Synods, Fr. Kamal Youssef the Head of the Cairo Synod, Fr. Soliman Sadek the Head of the Endowments Associations, Fr. Emil Zaki the Secretary of the Synods, Dr. Fr. Makram Naguib the Head of the Evangelical Theological College, Fr. Nagy Ibrahim the head of the Schools Council, Dr. Nabil Samuel the Head of the Coptic Evangelical Association and Mr. Ramez Attallah the Manager of the Bible Society of Egypt.



The talk was about refusing showing the movie of Da Vinci Code in Egypt.

The meeting was also attended by their grace Bishop Youhanna, Bishop Youanes and Bishop Ermia.



With Lord Curry the Archbishop of Canterbury

On Tuesday 23-5, HH the Pope received Lord Curry the former Archbishop of Canterbury, Mrs. Elaine Curry (his wife), Fr. Paul William (London), Fr. Alistair McDonald one of the assistants, HE Metropolitan Mounir Hanna of the Evangelical Church (Bishopric Church) in Egypt and Africa.

With St. Abu Sefein's Church, Ezbet El Haggana

Concerning our church in Ezbet El Haggana, On the evening of Tuesday 23-5, HH the Pope received HG Bishop Maximous, General Bishop, PhD. Eng. Adel Farid, Eng. Adel Zekry, Mr. Tharwat Bassilli, Eng. Mandloun Mina, Eng. Theodore Ramzy, Mr. Sabry Ragheb, Eng. Mounir Abdu Fam and Eng. Sami Girguis.



Church News



The General Lay Council Meeting

On the evening of Thursday 18-5, the General Lay Council held its first meeting in the current round after the issuance of the Republic Decree of formalizing the results of elections.

HH the Pope meeting presided by and all the members attended except for Eng. Nader Reyad. HH the Pope welcomed the six new members who joined the Lay Council for the first time. Then the following we chosen as follows:

Dr. Tharwat Bassilli as the Lay Council Depute.

Councilor Edward Ghaleb as a Secretary for the Council.

Councilor Malek Mina as a Head for the Family Affairs Committee.

Dr. Wagdi Louis as a Head for the Financial Committee.

Dr. Georgette Qellini as a Head for the Public Relations Committee.

Eng. William Mitias as a Head for the Lands and Real Estates Committee.

Councilor Boshra Philobos Soliman as a Head for the Legal Committee.

Dr. Rasmi Abd El Malek Rostom as a Head for the Education and Services Committee.

Eng. Samir Azer Hanna as a Head for the Engineering Committee.

❖ And the Citizenship Committee has been formed in which Councilor Monsef Naguib Soliman, Dr. Tharwat Bassilli and Dr. Georgette Qellini will participate.

❖ HH the Pope started the Council Meeting and ended it with prayer. And during the meeting several subjects were discussed in the spirit of understanding and love.

❖ HH the Pope also presented a copy of the Holy Bible signed by him to everyone.

❖ It has been agreed that the next meeting will be held on Thursday 22-6.

HG Bishop Mikhail

HG sent a letter to the Coptic Endowments Association as a Head to St. Makar Monastery in which he showed his objection on selling the monastery land (its farm) in the North Coast in his concern for the monastery's welfare.

And the Coptic Endowments Association has responded to this and sent to the monastery the necessary letters informing it of that.

With Their Grace Bishops of France

On Friday 26-5, in the monastery, HH the Pope received their grace Metropolitan Morcos of France and his assistant HG Bishop Athanasious and their priest Bishop Bishoy.

HH discussed with them an important subject that concerns some of our French priests.

HG Bishop Bakhomious

HG traveled to Canada and America:

To attend the Family Convention in Mississauga in the period from 19 to 21-5-2006.

And to attend the Family Convention in Connecticut in America from 27 to 19-5-2006.

Hegomen Antonious Sobhy

Reverend Hegomen Antonious participated in the Regional Program for AIDS in the Arabic countries which follows the United Nations Development Program and he was given a certificate in this.

HG Bishop Sarabamoon

HG Bishop Sarabamoon the Abbott of St. Pishoi's Monastery, the inhabited, came back to Egypt on Sunday 21-5. And HH the Pope accompanied with Hegomen Istafanous El Anba Pishoi received him. And HH headed from HG a report about his trip and the conditions of St. Antony's Monastery in California.

HG Bishop Tomas

HG traveled to Sweden on 27-4 until 12-5 to set meetings and give lectures on:

The Sacrament in the Coptic Church (7 lectures).

The role that Sunday schools play in the church renaissance (5 lectures).

A New Church in Sydney

HG Bishop Daniel called HH the Pope over the tell him that our Coptic church has been bought a new church in Liverpool area in Sydney under the name of St George's and St. Theodore's Church.

Our sincere congratulations to HG and the congregation of Sydney.

Hegomen Arsanious El Baramousy

Hegomen Arsanious El Baramousy, the priest of our church in Amsterdam, and the oldest priest for us in Holland, came for a visit to Egypt and he submitted to HH the Pope a report about the Coptic church in Holland.



A photo taken in the ordination of Fr. Samuel Boules Lotfy the new priest of Odaysat

In a Visit to the Coptic Museum

Under the supervision of Hegomen Maximous El Antony, students of the Coptic Studies Center of the American University in Cairo accompanied by Dr. Mina Badei Abd El Malek visited the Coptic Museum in Cairo after its renovation to get to know the glory of the Coptic Civilization. This visit took place on 17th May 2006.



Our Church in Milan

We started in Milan from zero or from below the zero. But God's grace worked with HG Bishop Kirolos who was ordained Bishop of Milan on 1996 after ten years of being a General Bishop.

And God's hand worked with him and we started having a Diocese in Milan in which 7 priests and 9 monks of which 2 are from Baramous and 7 are from Ava Shenouty Monastery in Milan serve.

And this new monastery started having a message to give to everyone who visits it. And its Abbott HG Bishop Kirolos wishes that the monastery's priests become able to hold Liturgy prayers in different languages for all the visitors from Europe and other places.

And thanks God, the Milan Diocese now owns places, lands and churches all over Milan Bergamo, Brescia and Venice.

The priests in Milan Diocese:

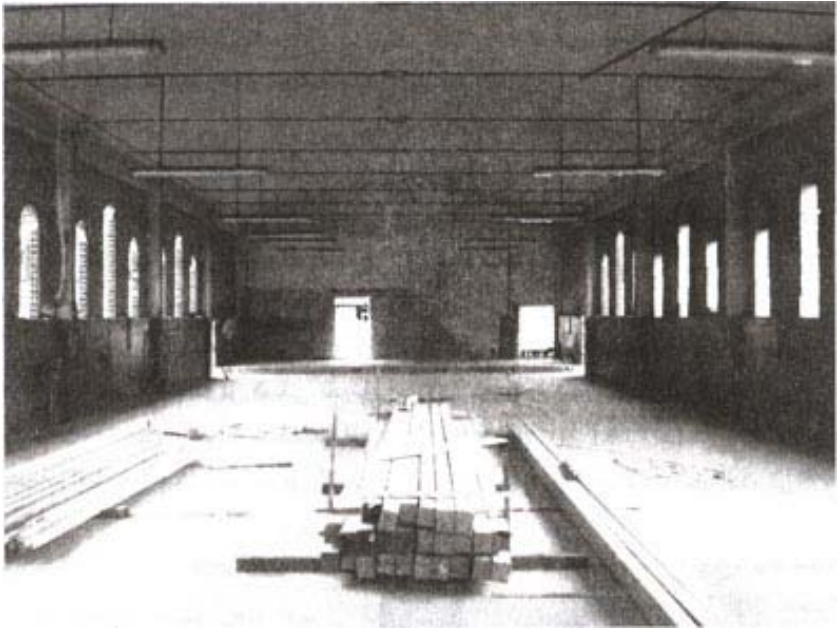
1. Hegomen Mikhail Naguib.
2. Hegomen Kirolos Aziz, St. Mark's Church, Milan.
3. Fr. Beamen Kamel, St. George's Church, Milan.
4. Fr. Arsanious Boshra, the Metropolitan Residence Church and St. Mar John's and Abu Sefein's Church.
5. Fr. Maximous Ageeb, St. Mar Mina's Church, Saronno.
6. Fr. Domadius, the Archangel's Church, Brescia.
7. Fr. Rafael Mikhail, the Metropolitan Residence Church and St. Mar John's and Abu Sefein's Church.

The Fathers the Monks:

1. Hegomen Ghobrial El Baramousy, Archangel Michael's Church, Brescia.
2. Fr. Bakhomious El Baramousy, St. Anba Pishoi's Church, Venice.
3. Fr. Anotnio Ava Shenouti, Youths Service and Church Upraising.
4. Fr. Giovanni Ava Shenouti, Youths Service and St. Anba Pishoi's Church, Bergamo.
5. Fr. Luka Ava Shenouti, the Monastery.
6. Fr. Mathew Ava Shenouti, resident in the Metropolitan Residence.
7. Fr. Marco Ava Shenouti, the Monastery.
8. Monk Stefano Ava Shenouti, the Monastery.
9. Monk Paolo Ava Shenouti, the Monastery.



The Church of St. Joseph of Arimathea and the building's area is 648 m² and it has a yard with an area of 380 m²



The Church of St. Mina in Milan and the building's area is 330 m² and its total area is around 1000 m²



The Church of St. Helen and the building shown above has an area of 480 m² and its total area is 1360 m²

Our Church in Holland

Virgin Mary's Church, Amsterdam:

The church is being served now by Hegomen Arsanious Al Baramousy, Fr. Domadius Hegomen Sarabamoon and Fr. Yassa Thabet.

It is located at the North Eastern side of Holland and is serving 550 families.

These days the church is taking over a big fire management program project by implementing fire management precautions and specifications as building a new emergency stairway exit, making the church's nave more spacious, building a new baptistery and another room for children in addition to maintenance and renovation of the church's frontage, sides and outer roof.

St. Mark's Church, Denhag:

Fr. Angaelos Fakhry serves this church which is located at the Western side of Holland and serves 250 families there, the church prepared a very nice new baptistery built according to Coptic style architect with a baptismal font for kids and another one for grownups as well, two staircases were built inside and outside the baptistery and now the church is renovating the canteen and installing new equipments in it.

Archangel Michael's & St. Anthony's Church, Eindhoven:

Fr. Youssef Mansour serves this church which is located Southern of Holland and serves 120 families, the church's side gate was widened and renovated as it is the entrance usually used by the congregation, also new WCs were added at the entrance.

The church aims, within the near future, at building a new floor for extra church service places and also Sunday school classes.

St. George's and St. Demiana's Church, Utrecht:

Fr. Bishoy Kamel serves this church which is located at the midst of Holland and serves 150 families. Recently the main hall's floor was renovated and curtains were placed at the church windows, iconostasis and icons were also installed at place. Church benches were exchanged by new ones, walls were painted and a new library was launched. Warming system was totally maintained, sound system was replaced by a new one and also a house was purchased by the church to be a residence for the priest and his family.

St. Athanasious the Apostolic's Church, Essen:

Fr. Youssef Mansour serves this church now as well as Fr. Bishoy Kamel who visits the church twice a month; it is located North Eastern of Holland and serves 35 families. The church's beautifully wooden engraved Iconostasis was installed at place, Artist Adel Nassif painted nineteen icons which were all put on the iconostasis: the Last Supper, Jesus Christ, Virgin Mary, John the Baptist, St. Mark, the twelve disciples, icon of Isaiah the Prophet and the icon of Abraham and Isaac.

St. Paula the First Anchorite's Church, Leeuwarden:

Amsterdam priests are serving this church twice a month; it is located at the Northern part of Holland and is serving 25 families. The church was repaired and renovated to the Coptic style throughout six phases:

First: cleansing the Western and Northern frontage of the church which were harshly affected by the storms and rainfalls caused by the usual north western wind of Holland.

Second: repairing the church ceiling which came to a bad state as water of rainfalls passed through to the church and caused damage to walls and floor.

Third: service premises which is attached to the church was pulled down and reconstructed once more, this building includes also WCs and kitchen, its foundation were damaged to the extent that the building was declined; during reconstruction more spacious areas were added to the church maps.

Fourth: repairing the church's floor and fixing all damaged parts, church benches were removed for that purpose and the church organ placed at the upper side of the altar was also removed as there is no need for it.

Fifth: All walls inside and outside of the church were painted, warming system was completely repaired as well as the electricity system which was very old and could no longer be used, also old Coptic style chandeliers were hanged.

Sixth: installing the iconostasis, hanging the altar curtains, building a marble altar and a place for the church deacons in addition to the lamp stands, a baptistery which was built at the Northern side of the church, sanctuary and church nave floors were nicely covered also the church and hall's window curtains were renewed.

It is to be noted that the Coptic Church in Holland is now a formal member at Holland's Council of Churches.



Hegomen Arsanious Al Baramousy is seen at the middle along with Dr. Magdi Ramzy representative of the Coptic Church at the Holland Churches Council and on both sides the council's Head is seen and the Council's Secretary.

Knowledge

Pope Shenouda III



Everyone is busy with knowledge. Even the youngsters they want always to know everything, grownups too they are overwhelmed with the desire of learning more...

As regards people, most importantly is the issue of what they actually want to know!? And do they get correct information, is it as well useful or harmful knowledge?

The major source of information for most people is talking of others, press releases in addition to some media or satellite channels.

My advice concerning all kinds of those sources is as follows:

Do not believe all what is said or written...

Every person should pick properly the source of his information which should be reliable and never to accept any kind of information expect by wisely analyzing and thinking carefully first about it.

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Some people are eager to know their future. Future is within the hands of God, though they seek other deviated procedures...

They search their luck, they go for sources like palm reading and other ways...they sometimes rely on what the stars tell them as what is written in newspapers everyday...ways which no reasonable man believes in and whoever goes for those ways might be misled to the hands of sorceries...

Knowing what your future holds is never through those kinds of procedures; your future is within your own hands and also within the hands of God's grace: it is within your own hands through your way of work, how you think and how you manage. Your future is also within the hands of God's grace as regards the grace which you are granted that keeps you from evil and guide you through...

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Speaking about kinds of knowledge, try to find the knowledge which benefits you, which build up your culture and your spiritualities...

- ✘ There are harmful kinds of knowledge which might mislead you and invades your mind with doubtful or sinful lusts, a wise man once said about such knowledge: "he whose knowledge increases; his sorrow as well increases".
- ✘ There is another kind of knowledge which is trying to learn more about other people's life and how they behave, many people are interested in such kind of information and it doesn't do any good, it rather might push this person into sinful gossip about other people and their reputation.
- ✘ There are other kinds of knowledge about which a wise man once said: "we are busy with trying to know matters which no one in the last day will blame us for being ignorant about!!"... it is that

kind of knowledge which are neither useful nor harmful, matters of no significance that are related to this perishing world we live in, things which only waste our time...

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✘ **There are other kinds of knowledge which are above and beyond our intellectual level...which we might get lost if we seek them!!**

Example of which are those kinds of knowledge related to intellectual search of Oreganos who was the greatest theologian at his time, it led him to falling into heresies for which he was then expelled from the church, and at the end of his days he himself said: "Oh great pillar, how did you fall?!"...

The apostle says "to everyone who is among you, not to think of himself more highly than he ought to think, but to think soberly" (Ro 12:3). As every person has a certain degree of recognition, and its not good for him to go beyond that degree and that is why the apostle conclude his advice saying "as God has dealt to each one a measure of faith" (Ro 12:3).

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And so, it is good for a person to seek acknowledgment of the truth, searching for his own correct way of life which suits him.

And that what we learn from the Psalms as we pray: "Show me Your ways, O Lord; teach me Your paths", "lead me in a smooth path".

Acknowledgment of the truth and getting to know ways which lead to it is one of the most important things in a man's life as the bible says : " There is a way that seems right to a man, but its end is the way of death" (Pv 14:12) and is repeated in (Pv 16:25). And that's because there are misleading ways of thought and misleading ways of the devils.

We ask the Lord to let us know His ways, to save us from the misleading ways of our own and of devil wars.

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Acknowledgment of God is the kind of knowledge which we ought to seek first, in the Divine Liturgy Prayer we say: And game me the learning of Your knowledge.

Indeed, we know so little about God... God is infinite and our minds are not, our realization ability is limited as well, so how would it be for our bounded ability to be spacious enough for the unlimited!

That is why the Lord God says to the Father: "O righteous Father! The world has not known You, but I

have known You; and these have known that You sent Me. And I have declared to them Your name, and will declare it, that the love with which You loved Me may be in them, and I in them" (Jn 17:25,26).

Truly, the world hasn't known the Lord...

The Gentiles didn't know Him, those who worshipped idols, spirits and numerous Gods also didn't know the Lord...the Jews didn't know Him despite sacrifices and burnt offerings which they gave to the lord, they also celebrated feasts they fastened and they prayed! Finally God said about them: "I have nourished and brought up children, and they have rebelled against Me; the ox knows its owner and the donkey its master's crib; *but* Israel does not know, my people do not consider" (Is 1:2, 3).

Holy Bible records the world's acknowledgement of God as:

"He was in the world, and the world was made through Him, and the world did not know Him" (Jn 1:10).

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Christ's disciples, the saints who were with Him for a long time, they as well didn't know Him. God said to His disciple Philip: "Have I been with you so long, and yet you have not known Me, Philip?" (Jn 14:9). And said to His disciples: "If you had known Me, you would have known My Father also" (Jn 14:7).

And for that the Lord God says to the Father about them "And I have declared to them Your name, and will declare it..." (Jn 17:26).

Paul the apostle who served more than any of the apostles and who was granted to witness many heavenly revelations and who was also caught up into Paradise and heard inexpressible words which it is not lawful for a man to utter (2 Co 12:4)... St. Paul says about acknowledgement of God "Now I know in part" (1 Co 13:12) "For now we see in a mirror, dimly..."

So if St. Paul knows only in part so how much would it be our own acknowledgement of God?!

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Complete acknowledgment of God or even seeking this kind of acknowledgment will be only in eternity...

And so the Lord God said "And this is eternal life, that they may know You, the only true God" (Jn 17:3).

In eternity, when we will take off this terrestrial body and put on celestial bodies instead (1 Co 15), hence we will commence truly to acknowledge God...God will widen our hearts and broaden our thoughts so that we might know Him better, we will be then stunned and amazed to the extent that we will not be able to acknowledge anymore...we remain like that for a while then God comes back, widens our hearts and thoughts more so that we can get to know Him more, hence we will be increasingly stunned and amazed on witnessing more of this glory and beauty until we say enough...enough we can't take it any more...and this goes on and on but till when?

The Lord says "And this is eternal life, that they may know You, the only true God..."

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Here on Earth, how would our acknowledgment of God be?

Is it just an intellectual kind of acknowledgment, is it just reading theology books and listening to sermons, is it by saying the Orthodox creed? All that is not enough.

True acknowledgment of God is actually the practical kind of acknowledgment; by means of

experience which the Psalm says about it "taste and see that the Lord is good" (Ps 34:8), so how would that be?

We know the Lord through His work with us; as individuals and as congregation...

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We get to know the Lord through His work with us during afflictions and trials...

All doors would be closed and only then one path is opened which is that of God, as St. John said in the revelation "I looked, and behold, a door standing open in heaven" (Rv 4:1), as the Lord promised "I open, and now one shuts..."

And hence we sing with the chanter and say: "If it had not been the Lord who was on our side, when men rose up against us, then they would have swallowed us alive" "Our soul has escaped as a bird from the snare of the fowlers; the snare is broken, and we have escaped. Our help is in the name of the Lord, who made heaven and earth" (Ps 124).

Remember my brother all afflictions you went through, your family or the church, remember what did God do and how He interfered at that time so that you would acknowledge the tenderhearted hands of the Lord and His compassionate heart so you get to know Him better through what He had done.

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Remember God's loving kindnesses with you and with others so that you would get to acknowledge Him ...

David the Prophet remembered God's loving kindnesses and chanted "Bless the Lord, O my soul; and all that is within me, bless His holy name Bless the Lord, O my soul, and forget not all His benefits Who forgives all your iniquities, who heals all your diseases, who redeems your life from destruction..." We acknowledge by these words more about God, all what He does with us and His many loving kindness...you could also do the same as David...

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See how God dealt with His saints in the bible and in history books see also how did the Lord treat even the wicked.

We do know the Lord from His way of dealing with people...contemplate in His story with Daniel and with Jonah, with Josef the righteous...then you would know the loving God, who forgives, who helps and who never forgets His sons. God was with Josef in prison, with Jonah inside the belly of the great fish, with Daniel in the lion's den and with the three young men in the furnace of fire.

Truly God, who is like You?! No one resembles you..!!

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Brother, if you live the life of righteousness, God will reveal Himself to you and get you to know Him better. But if you live apart from Him, so how would you know Him?!

Saint John the apostle says "He who says, "I know Him," and does not keep His commandments, is a liar, and the truth is not in him. But whoever keeps His word, truly the love of God is perfected in him. By this we know that we are in Him" (1 Jn 2:4, 5).

At this point I would like to tell you an important phrase for spiritual life:

If you love God, you will get to know Him. And if you know God then you will love Him.

Start with either ways and hence you will get to the other.

Consecrating St. Demiana's Church Feast, Berary

HE Metropolitan Bishoy celebrated the feast as he usually does every year; this feast is attended by hundred thousands of visitors some of whom spend the nights in tents installed around the monastery on a thirty acres piece of land that's in addition to the retreat houses inside the monastery.

The festivity this year was marked by celebrating liturgies at the ancient church which was discovered on 1974; HH Pope Shenouda III celebrated the first mass in this church on the 7th of May 1975 and that's when Bishop Bishoy was the abbot of the monastery.

The domes of this church and the ancient iconostasis were repaired under the supervision of the ministry of antiquities; it was also decorated with Coptic icons and lightening of ancient styles.

Final finishing of the main church are now completed as well as the windows with its mosaic glass icons and the iconostasis, the church is now even more spacious. Another attached church was dedicated to St. Mark Governor of Borolus the father of St. Demiana.

His Eminence Metropolitan Bishoy received on 16/5/2006 General Dr. Ahmed Said Sawwan the Governor of Daqahleya, HG Bishop Dawoud of Mansoura along with State Security, Religious and



General Dr. Ahmed Said Sawwan Governor of Daqahleya speaking with HE Metropolitan Bishoy at the public meeting held at St. Demiana's Monastery, Berary Belkas on the occasion of consecration of her church's feast (from 12th to 20th of May)

On the right side the Head of Dameitta Security Office and on the left side is Head of Daqahleya Security Office

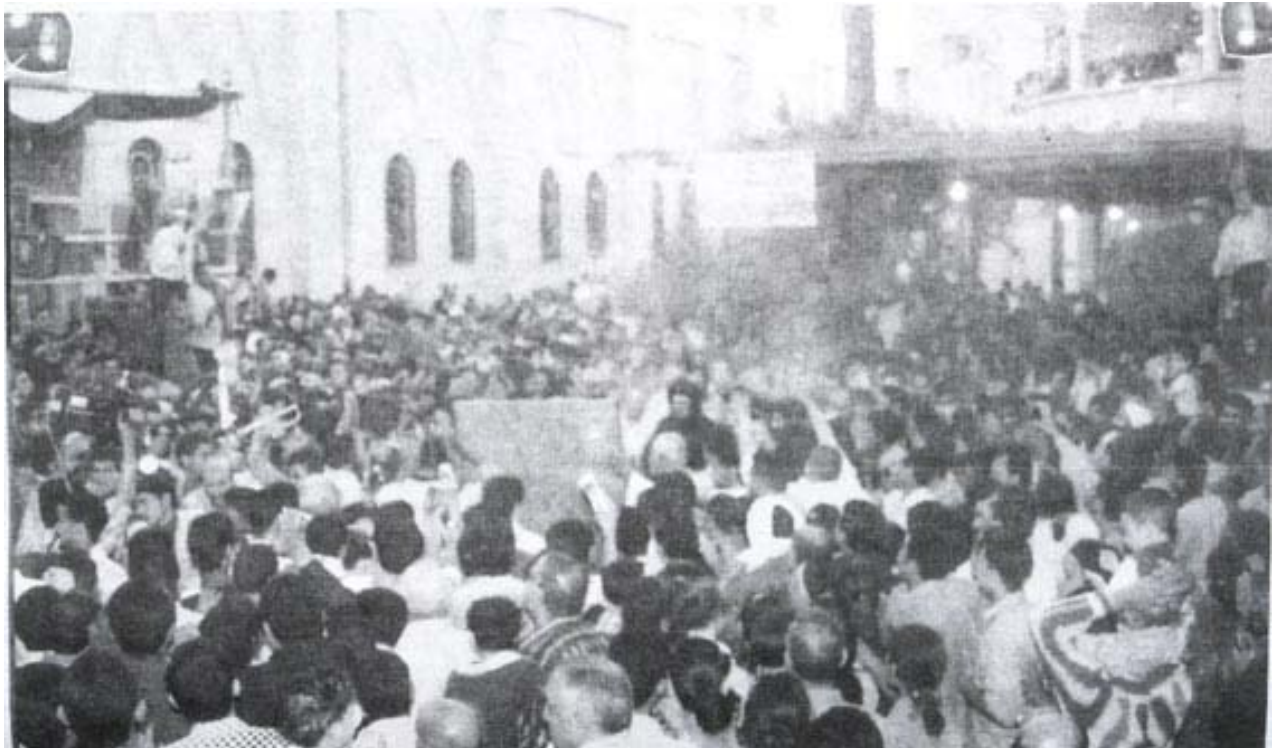
Public Officials of the governorate and also from Dameitta and Kafr Al Sheikh.

The Governor of Cairo Prof. Abd Al Anthem Morsy Wazir delegated his Office Manager to extend his felicitations to HE Metropolitan Bishoy as he was used to attend this festivity since the time he was the Governor of Dameitta.

The usual public meeting was held and words of compliment were given with the emphasis on

the importance of preserving social peace and national unity among people and also the importance of positive religious words given at religious places. The Governor also extended his felicitation to everyone on the occasion the feast.

And from Cairo, Fr. Georgette Qellini member of Parliament arrived to participate in celebrating the feast where she gave a word among greetings of the attendees.



A Photo with History



A 55 years old photo of His Majesty Farouk I receiving HH Pope Yousap II with a welcoming smile. Prime Minister at that time Ali Maher Pasha is seen standing at the middle.

Coptic Church Court in Jordan

The supreme royal management issued a decree authenticating the establishment of church court for the Coptic orthodox in Hashemite Kingdom of Jordan as follows:

- Metropolitan Abraham of Jerusalem, President.
- Hegomen Antonious Sobhy Hanna, Vice President.
- Fr. Mikhail Thabet Saad, Member.
- Fr. Shenouda Hakim Shenouda, Member.



His Majesty King Abdullah II Ben Al Hussein is seen in the photo receiving Hegomen Antonious Sobhy.



And at the monastery in Cairo HH the Pope received Hegomen Sobhy Hanna Priest of the Coptic Church in Amman, Jordan and received a report about the church there.



Baptizing a family from Suriname Latin America

This family was living in Holland and now they joined the Coptic Church... Our priest in Amsterdam Hegomen Arsanium Al Baramousy is seen with the family members in the photo.

Our Church in Berth, Australia



The dome of St. Mark's & St. George's Church in berth is seen in the photo. It was built under the auspices of Fr. Polikarbus Al Baramousy the church priest.

We extend our felicitations to him on his effort in building it.