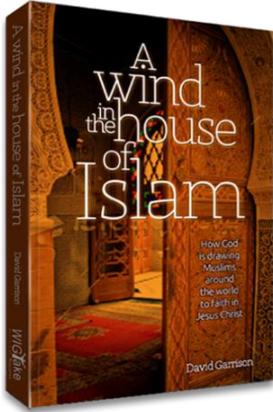


A Wind in the House of Islam

Something is Happening

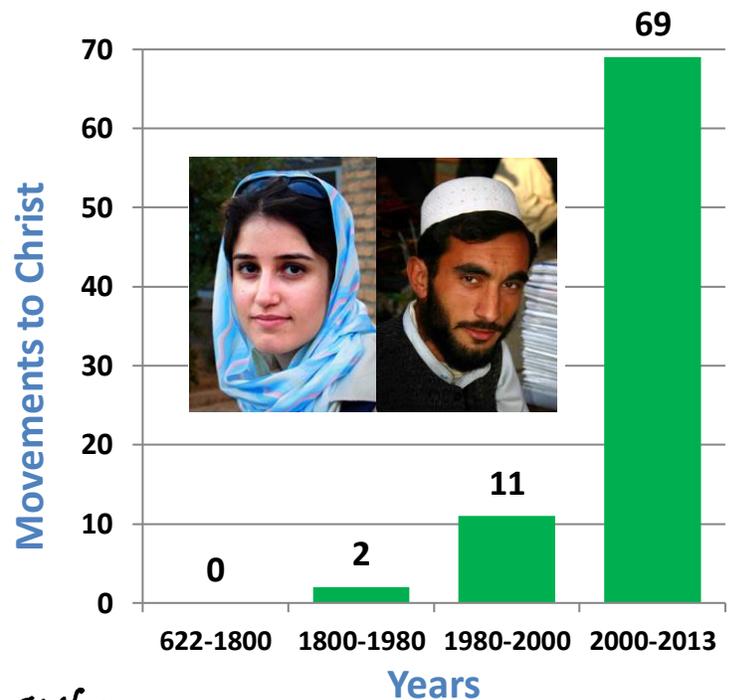


A wind is blowing through the House of Islam, *Dar al-Islam* in Arabic. It is the name Muslims give to a religious empire that stretches from West Africa to Indonesia encompassing 49 nations and 1.6 billion Muslims. Islam directs the spiritual affairs of nearly a quarter of the world's population. But something is happening today that is challenging the hold that Islam exercises over its adherents.

Today, in 69 separate locations where Islam holds sway, new communities of Muslim-background followers of Christ are emerging. Each of these movements has seen at least 1,000 baptized believers and at least 100 new worshipping fellowships, all of whom have come to Christ over the past two decades. In some countries the communities have grown to number tens of thousands of new Muslim-background followers of Christ.

The first Muslim movements to Christ did not occur until the 19th century, more than 1200 years after Islam began. These two movements were followed by a further 11 Muslim movements to Christ in the late 20th century. But something now is happening. In the first 12 years of the 21st century, there have already seen at least 69 new Muslim movements to Christ!

Muslim Movements to Christ



Why

Why the sudden explosion of Muslim movements to Christ?

- The Scriptures have only recently become available in heart language of many Muslim people groups.
- Fervent prayer has been the first and primary strategy for virtually every new initiative into the Muslim world.
- Holy Spirit visiting Muslims through dreams, visions, and answered prayers in the name of Jesus.
- Removing cultural baggage from the Gospel and presenting it in a clear and contextually appropriate way.
- Disillusionment with Muslim extremism and violence.

The Greatest Turning in History

