

A Heart for Upper Egypt 2019

January 29–February 9, 2019

Description

Join Global Strategy representatives Ken and Keli Oldham on a unique trip to Upper (southern) Egypt. You will participate in the Aswan42* awareness/fundraiser event, and your trip cost includes a donation to support Egypt pastors who face heart-related medical needs. You will also meet the Upper Egypt Church of God congregations, serving predominantly rural communities with very different cultural challenges than their Alexandria and Cairo counterparts to the north. And you will participate in a three-day, two-night Nile Cruise that will not only include some outstanding sightseeing between Aswan and Luxor, but will also provide time for discussions about the unique cultural context of the Egyptian Christians as a minority in predominantly Muslim Egypt. The trip will end in Cairo with a trip to the Giza Pyramid plateau.

Purposes

1. Introduction to and support of the Upper (southern) Egypt churches.
2. Raise funds and awareness for heart issues.
3. Learn about the cultural and historical context of Christianity in Middle East.
4. Introduction to the work of the Three Worlds team in service to the Church of God in the Europe and Middle East region.

Tentative Itinerary

Tues, Jan 29	Fly out from USA
Wed, Jan 30	Arrive in Cairo and stay overnight at hotel in Maadi
Thurs, Jan 31	Fly to Aswan, check in to hotel, register for Aswan42
Fri, Feb 1	Aswan 42*, sightseeing
Sat, Feb 2	Begin 3-day cruise
Sun, Feb 3	Cruise day 2
Mon, Feb 4	Conclude cruise, van transport to Asyut, check in to hotel, visit Asyut ChoG
Tues, Feb 5	Conclude Asyut ChoG visit in the morning, van transport to Malawi ChoG, van transport to Minya, check in to hotel, visit Minya ChoG
Wed, Feb 6	Visit ChoG congregations in Horeya and Edara, stay overnight in Minya hotel
Thurs, Feb 7	Van transport to Cairo to stay in Maadi
Fri, Feb 8	Visit Giza Pyramids
Sat, Feb 9	Fly out (usually between 12:00–6:00 a.m.)

*Aswan42 2018 (awareness event) details: <http://www.thetrifactory.com/aswan42>



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Cost and Due Dates

\$_____ Purchase transatlantic airfare to Cairo International Airport (CAI). **Purchase by October 31, 2018.**

\$1775 Payable to Church of God Ministries, w/MEMO “#42.0801 GS Trips Egypt Feb 2019.” **To be paid by November 30, 2018.** (Cost is based on minimum group of 6 persons; maximum group 10 persons.)

\$75 Payable to Church of God Ministries, w/MEMO “#42.30170. (This is your contribution to the “Egypt Church Planting & Leader Development” project. Note: any trip cost surplus will also be given to this project.) **To be paid by December, 31, 2018.**

\$25 USD Exact change, payable upon arrival in Egypt for required tourist visa.

To join this trip, please contact Ken Oldham at KenOldham@chog.org.



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