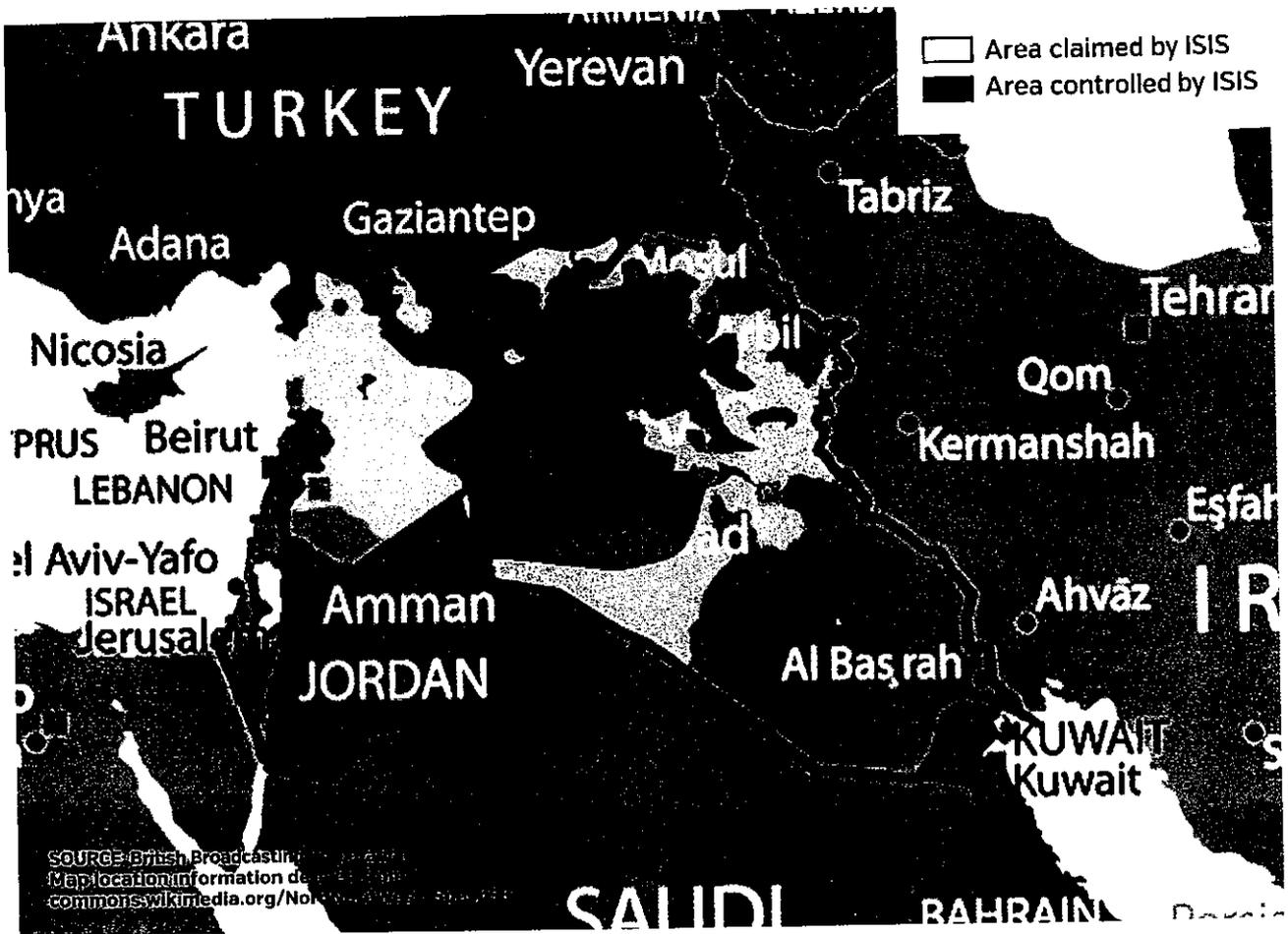


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Governor,

1 Have you considered using your state's Non-Profit Sector to help refugees caught in the Middle Eastern Isis Zone? Even Atlantic Monthly, a very Liberal Magazine, recently did an in-depth report on Isis and its intellectual Leaders. www.FBD.com has warned, in an editorial in its paper, that the New King of Saudi Arabia will become more militant in outlook and actions, based on what he has financially supported in the Past. He will be ruling Saudi Arabia, & Mecca for some time.

Focus on the Family publishes Citizen magazine. The enclosed page is the last page of one of their articles, from December 2014. Your state has both Public & Private schools that might set up school class to school class Emails, between your cities and schools in the Middle East. Your state's Special Needs Medical and Educational Resources might be connected to Middle Eastern needs. Your state has Churches, Mosques, and Public Service Business Groups, like Lions, Rotary, Odd Fellows, etc. In total, they could sponsor 1,000 families, or more, to help those families move to safety and stability. Please use your influence, and contacts, to help turn the lives of at least 1,000 families around. Thank you. May God give you wisdom and Energy. D Nelson



wildly exceeded expectations,” Doran tells *Citizen*. He expected 500 people to register; more than twice that number attended.

And at the end, “there was a sense we had achieved a breakthrough moment, that actually raising awareness and harnessing this was possible,” he says. “I can’t tell you how many Middle Eastern Christians approached me to say, ‘In all my years of this work, I’ve never seen anything like this.’”

IDC’s goal is to be “the first permanent presence for Middle East Christians exclusively inside the Washington Beltway, and to be an advocacy organization for Christians experiencing persecution around the world.” The group has a multifaceted, bipartisan board of advisors, which includes Dr. James Zogby, director of the public-opinion research firm that bears his name; former U.S. Attorney General John Ashcroft; former Secretary of Transportation Ray LaHood; Dr. Philip Salem, director of the Cancer Research Program at St. Luke’s Hospital in Houston; and Baylor University Prof. Byron Johnson.

Plans are already underway for a 2015 summit. A trip by Christian leaders from the U.S. to the Middle East is also being planned, as is a conference with

policy think tanks to discuss the role of institutional Christianity and its relationship to the government. In most Middle East countries, government and religion are not separate, as they are in the West; some ancient churches have a “place” in society because they predate Sharia law and have visible structures and spokesmen.

“There is a lot of work ahead,” Doran says. “We’re in the midst of it now.” ■

FOR MORE INFORMATION

To learn more about the plight of Christians in the Middle East, visit indefenseofchristians.org.

TAKE ACTION

To help Christian schools in Lebanon or Syria, email Nabil Costa at costanabil@gmail.com. He would particularly like help from those who teach special-needs children. If you would like to sponsor a refugee family, contact International Christian Outreach at internationalchristianoutreach.org.

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