



## Dear Family,

As this year draws to a close, we want to take a look back with you. A lot has happened! From new publications to growth in new countries, here are some highlights from 2024. Thank you for being a part of them, and may you embrace 2025 with joy!

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## New Milestones

This year, God blessed the Family of Saint Sharbel with continued growth in both the US and abroad, and we experienced a few notable “firsts”! Since ringing in 2024, the Family has:

Earned a **Platinum Seal of Transparency** on the non-profit database, **Candid**, for the first time in its history.

Published its first **illustrated book**, ***St. Sharbel of Lebanon. Saint of Wonders***, which is a graphic novel on the life of Saint Sharbel in **English** and **Arabic**. This book is soon to be featured in Ignatius Press’s catalog!

**Translated its website** into another language: **Tagalog!**

Completed and published its **first work of music**, an album of hymns titled “Saint Sharbel Ramsho & Ziyah,” which is now accessible on **our website**, **Spotify**, **Apple.Music** and more!

Launched its first **fundraising campaign**, “**A.Call.for.Monthly.Commitment**,” in an effort to help us keep growing with consistent financial backing. This campaign is still new and active!



*Our most-watched YouTube video published in 2024, which has attracted over 30,000 views.*

## Quick Stats

This year, the Family of Saint Sharbel USA also increased its reach in many ways, which is a significant part of our evangelical mission! These have included:

Reaching over **72,000 individuals** through our website alone.

Growing our email subscribers by over 500 (**22%**).

Publishing two of our YouTube channel’s most popular videos ever, which received nearly **55,000** views combined.

Received **3,246 downloads** on our podcast.

## Other Highlights

Importantly, the Family of Saint Sharbel and its founder continued to work in many other areas too! Some highlights included:



Raymond Nader, our founder and President, travelling to multiple countries and speaking around the globe - this year in the US (**Lawrence.MA**, **Washington.DC**, and **Emmitsburg.MD**), Slovakia, Czechia, Croatia, and **Poland** - and on Zoom (“**St.Sharbel.Ultimate.Model.of.Detachment**” “**The.Mystery.of.the.Incarnation**”) in addition to his native Lebanon.

Expanding our YouTube series, “**The.Power.of.Divine.Love**”, with broadly-viewed testimonies from **May.Jammoul** and **Maya.Al.Harakeh**, Muslim women who encountered St. Sharbel. All episodes in this series were produced by the FSS team in Lebanon.

Building upon our “**Eastern.and.Lebanese.Maronite.Saints.Initiative**” with new pages about **Blessed.Patriarch.Estefhan.El.Douaihy**, **Saint.Ephrem**, and **Saint.Anthony.the.Great**, bringing the project’s total pages to 11 thus far.

Holding multiple events from celebrating the **7th.anniversary.of.the.St.Sharbel.Shrine** in Emmitsburg to having the honor of delivering a **first.class.relic.of.St.Sharbel** to Sts. Peter and Paul Church in Tulsa, OK.

Receiving a grant from the Donald Lynch Foundation to fund Rayon D’Art, an apprenticeship program that will benefit widowed individuals in Lebanon.  
Publishing 23 new podcast episodes and 16 new YouTube videos.  
Expanding our list of churches offering healing services in honor of St. Sharbel to include 14 locations.

Seeing the budding formation of FSS prayer groups in Manchester, UK and Ireland while existing groups in Nigeria, Paris (France), Australia, India, the Philippines, Lebanon, and the US continued to grow.

Continued our regular prayer gatherings, which are at the center of all we are

and do.

## With Gratitude

Thank all of you, especially those of you who have been here from the start, again for your love of God and prayerful support of this mission. You are Christ's hands and feet, and your kindness has enabled the Family's work to touch new horizons in 2024. We thank God for you and will continue to pray for you always.



**Wishing you blessings in the new year,**

**Family of Saint Sharbel USA**



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