

How a 'Holy Spirit Hunch' Moved This Lebanese Pastor to Send Everyone Home Before Massive Explosion

Pastor Said Deeb of Life Center Church in Beirut said the day of the massive explosion, a strange feeling came over him—a combination of anxiety, anger and sadness that shook him to the core. He said he prayed with his staff but didn't get a breakthrough and couldn't shake the feeling that something bad was going to happen.

"I don't know why; I was so rude, I told everyone, 'Go home, go home, just close the Center'," Pastor Deeb explained. "But people said, 'How come? We came a long way, we have commitments, we have meetings.' I said, 'I don't know why, but please go home and come back on Sunday, and it was a Tuesday afternoon,'" he said.

So Pastor Deeb sent his entire staff of 34 people home and canceled all children's Bible classes after sensing something terrible was about to happen.

"It was as if the Holy Spirit is saying, 'Go! Go! Go! Go! 'So I was saying everybody go home, turn off the computers, forcing them to leave, I was forcing them and they said, 'We are cooking, cooking food for the refugees and for the poor,' and I said, 'Today cancel everything, put it in the fridge'."

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