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Raised in a family of engineers, doctors and professors, Eng. Monique Sidaross has always appreciated the importance of knowledge. "I grew up in an environment of education, and I loved mathematics," she shares. This passion ultimately led her to a career in engineering. She graduated from Alexandria University with a Bachelor of Science in civil engineering and earned a master's degree in civil and structural engineering from the University of Southern California. Additionally, Eng. Sidaross graduated with honors from the Bridge Design Academy. With more than three decades of successful experience as a licensed civil and structural engineer, she is continuing her studies to this day as she pursues a Ph.D. in engineering management, specialized in construction and forensic engineering, at Walden University.

Eng. Sidaross utilizes her multicultural engineering experience and education in her role as director of Moni Sid & Associates. Her work primarily entails providing engineering consultations and language translation services for government companies. She has also taught mathematics, as well as English, French and Arabic translation, for more than 10 years in both community colleges and business settings. Eng. Sidaross has excelled in her career despite much adversity. "Oversaw, they encourage and respect women engineers and are very supportive. In America, it's the opposite," she notes. A true pioneer in the field of engineering, Eng. Sidaross was the first female engineer to challenge the civil rights of fellow female engineers within the engineers' union and court system processes. She is extremely passionate about professional civil rights, justice system reform and social change relating to the engineering and legal fields. In fact, she recently wrote a book on this topic, titled "Positive Social Change". For more information, please visit www.moniquesidarossbooks.com.

Eng. Sidaross' efforts in engineering have resulted in several milestones, including her election as the first female president of her engineers' union within its 30-year history. Other special honors include Woman of the Year and Ambassador of Knowledge awarded by Future Peace Mediation and Peace Prize Mediation, and being named a 2012 "Woman of Inspiration" by the American Biographical Institute. Her success is fueled by her passion for engineering, her insatiable desire to build something that lasts forever, and her unwavering faith in God. When she isn't working on engineering projects, doing others or advocating for social reform, she enjoys dancing, sports, traveling and playing chess.



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APRIL

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			April Fools' Day		Passover Begins at Sundown Good Friday	
			1	2	3	4
Easter Sunday						Passover Ends at Sundown
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
						Anzac Day (Australia)
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
26	27	28	29	30		

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