



Agios Evlalios Church

This is a project of the Technical Committee on Cultural Heritage



PROJECT OVERVIEW

Start Date: **October 2020**

End Date: **December 2020**

Type of intervention: **Emergency Conservation Works**

Total cost: **51,807.50 Euros**

Agios Evlalios church is located on the boundaries of the ancient city of Lambousa, in the Kyrenia area. While the church probably dates back to the 15th century, excavations inside and around it have traced floor mosaics which date the church back to the Early Christian period.

The present-day church was built on the ruins of an Early Christian church, whose remains still stand in the form of the four columns of the central arches of the present-day church. One of these columns has a Byzantine cross incised in it.



Before



After

The church standing today was once part of a much larger complex, as evidenced by the mosaics on the seaward side. The floor of the standing church is of mosaics in small squares, octagons, and geometric forms.



Before



After

Main interventions for this site include:

- Treatment and removal of vegetation from masonry walls and the perimeter of the monument;
- Soft cleaning of floors inside the church;
- Uncovering and consolidation of mosaic floors;
- Repair of cracks;
- Consolidation of detachments;
- Replacement of crumbling and heavily decayed stones;
- Closure of window openings;
- Installation of meshes in all openings;
- Treatment of existing doors;
- Levelling works for rainwater management;
- Protection of floors and rainwater management by reburials;



After

The project is funded by the European Union and implemented by UNDP in partnership with the Technical Committee on Cultural Heritage.

European Union

Since 2012 approximately **€19.9 million of European Union funds** have been provided by the European Commission to implement the priorities of the Technical Committee on Cultural Heritage for the preservation of the island-wide cultural heritage in Cyprus. The European Union is the biggest supporter of the work of the Technical Committee on Cultural Heritage in Cyprus.

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The Technical Committee on Cultural Heritage

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