



# Panagia Evangelistria 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:* **32,583.90 Euros**

Panagia church is located in the Morphou area. The bell tower of Panagia Evangelistria church was in need of urgent repairs. The height of the tower is 15.8 meters from the base, and 8.2 meters from the roof of the church, where the bell tower becomes a cantilever member. The bell tower has a square plan of approximately 1.85 x 1.85 meters.



Before



After

Above the roof, the bell tower is composed of three parts; solid base, first level and second level with the dislocated cross and the bell. Extensive carvings are present in all facades of the bell tower.

Main interventions for the bell tower of this site include:

- Repair of cracks and dislocation of stones;
- Treatment of exposed iron elements;
- Treatment of wooden members;
- Soft cleaning at cornice levels;

- Consolidation of detachments;
- Replacement of crumbling and heavily decayed stones;
- Structural reinforcement of upper cornice level;
- Relocation of cross;
- Waterproofing insulation on horizontal surfaces.



Before



After

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

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#### 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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