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“Peace be to the brethren, and love with faith, from God the Father and the Lord Jesus Christ. Grace be with all them that love our Lord Jesus Christ in sincerity. Amen.” Eph. 6:23-24

Dear Praying Family and Friends,

Here is my newest OAC ministry newsletter with some exciting updates on what God is doing since my last update. I’ve broken it down in three easy sections: 1) Praise 2) Prayer 3) Pics!

PRAISE REPORT

- I was able to preach two kid’s messages at two different parks with two different churches in Taunton, Massachusetts. God gave us good weather, and we had a good response especially at the second park/second church.
- My evangelism book has been published and is available and some have asked about it, so anyone can contact me for more details if interested.
- I was able to join Eric Briscoe and one of his teen volunteers and preached the last kids’ message on the final day of the 5-Day Club for a church in Dorchester, Massachusetts.
- Eric and I have the opportunity to lead a weekly teen outreach during the upcoming school year.
- Through another Christian friend, God has opened up a door for me to fly free to Arizona and tour the Grand Canyon for the first time.

PRAYER NEEDS

- Prayer to become more Christ-like every day.
- Prayer for financial wisdom and faithful stewardship of God's resources entrusted to me.
- Prayer for more divine contacts and disciples to be made while I’m out sharing the Gospel with the lost.
- Prayer for God to continue to grow my evangelism support team so that I could give myself fully to "do the work of an evangelist" (2 Tim 4:5).
- A new Muslim Center has opened a few steps from my apartment building. Pray that God opens opportunities for me to befriend these lost souls and to share the Good News with them and that perhaps some would eventually get saved!
- Prayer for my ongoing study/practice of the Spanish language.
- Prayer for Eric and I as we plan to minister to teens at YMCA in Dorchester, Massachusetts on a weekly basis during the upcoming school year. Pray for soft hearts and fruit to come from our labors.
- Recently I've taken a pretty big hit financially due to the need for surgery and other dental procedures for my mouth and paying out-of-pocket due to dental insurance not covered by my employer. Pray that I can recoup these expenses quickly! And pray that I won't need to have the recent gum graft surgery redone because the results weren't as good as hoped. I have another follow-up appointment with the doctor in December, so we should know by then.
- Prayer that I'll be able to get some exposure for my first book on evangelism so that it circulates and bless people's lives with what God has showed from my past evangelism travels and that I could also recoup the initial investment cost to publish etc.
- Prayer for proper preparation for my trip to Arizona to tour the Grand Canyon with Grand Canyon Ministries. Pray that the Lord will give us a safe flight to Arizona and a safe flight return to Boston. Pray that we won't need to spend too much money on a hotel, food etc. And most importantly, pray for us to have divine appointments with the lost during our travels to/from and in the airports, hotels etc.

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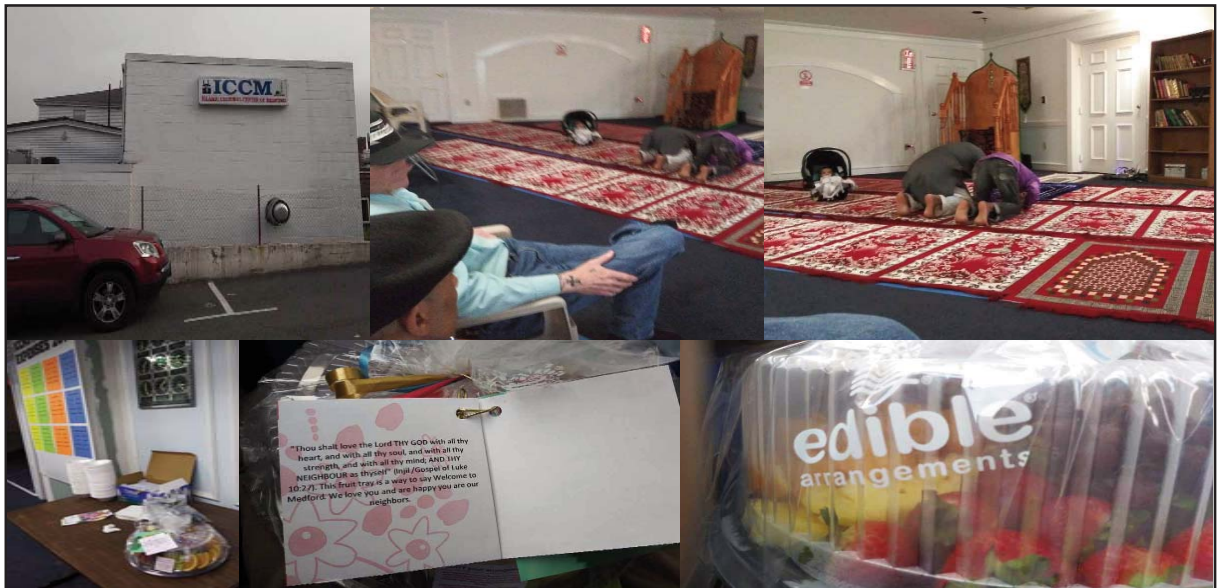


Painting and preaching through the Bible account of Abraham and Isaac at yet another of OAC's summer Bible clubs for kids.



A church invited me to paint and preach for one of their homeless outreach luncheons.

A Muslim center recently opened up literally in my back yard, within feet of my apartment. Believing God allowed this, I took the opportunity to reach out to them and love them tangibly with a gift with the hopes of establishing long-term rapport with the Imam to share the truth with him. Another Christian and I made an appointment and had a good talk. We were respectful and tactful but spoke truth and asked probing questions following in Jesus' example (Luke 2:46).





Along with Eric Briscoe, Erin Chervenak and two university student volunteers, we reached children with the love of Christ all five days of a Bible Club in a Boston neighborhood. As you see in some of the pics, Muslim children were present too! Praise God!



More pics from each day of the 5-Day Bible Club in a Boston neighborhood with object lessons to put the truth "cookies" on the lower shelf for the children to grasp.



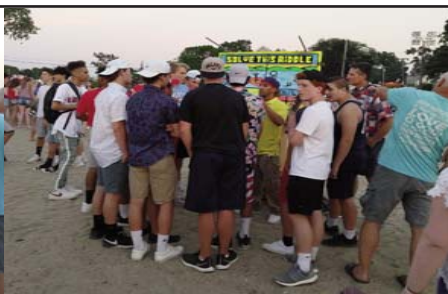
The kids working on their Bible lesson for the day.



I'm teasing them about the mystery bag prize but won't reveal it no matter how bad they begged me to! They'd have to come back the next day to find out! And they did! The bait worked!



With Eric Briscoe and members of his church, we had a lot of gospel-centered conversations with A LOT of young people at a beach fireworks outreach.



I'm painting and preaching at the second park of two back-to-back meetings at two different parks in Tauton, Massachusetts



Since Eric wasn't available as a backup, I asked Mike, another brother to help. He did the hangman puzzle/Bible verse and then I painted and preached the Good News to young and old alike at a local summer kids festival hosted by a local church in Boston.

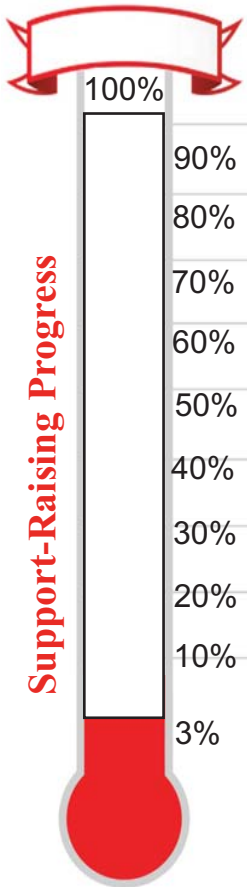


Pointing out to the kids that sin is our biggest problem but Christ and what He did for us is the greatest (and only) solution for it



Giving out the Gospel on a warm day in a very spiritually cold Harvard Square in Cambridge, Massachusetts

Teaming up with Eric Briscoe and his other helpers for the week on the last day of a summer 5-Day Bible Club with a local church. I had the privilege to paint and preach about heaven and the only way one can get there.



CONCLUDING THOUGHT

God's vineyard is white to harvest. Did you know that in a sense, the Lord has a prayer requests too (Matt 9:37-38)? He wants people to be available to be sent for Him to go into His harvest (college, subway etc.) and I'm willing (Isa 6:8) but as you can see on the graph, I'm not able....

- Do you believe God has enough laborers in His harvest trying to reach the lost for Christ?
- Have you given up hope that more people in this area (especially on the college campuses, subway etc.) can be reached for Christ?
- We are **partners** with God (1 Cor 3:6-9).

Will you ask God **right now** how He would want you to help me fulfil His prayer request/desire for more laborers to go into His harvest? Even a ONE-TIME gift would help if you cannot be a monthly partner.

Thanks for holding the missionary ropes for me!

Your servant and His,
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