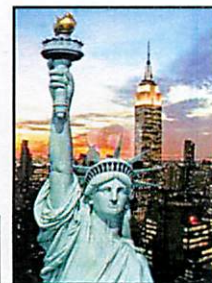




# Burley Family Update

**OPEN AIR CAMPAIGNERS - NEW YORK CITY**



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Hello Brothers and Sisters,

**We want to thank each and every one of you** for your prayers and support, not only throughout the year, but also during my recovery for my open-heart surgery. Please continue to pray for my healing.

**The doctor suggested** that I not wait to have the surgery and have it soon as possible. However, after seeking the Lord's counsel and wisdom through prayer, I believe God wanted me to complete my summer schedule first. As the song "Onward, Christian Soldiers, marching as to war..." came to my mind, that's exactly what Diane and I did, which included hosting a team from New Hampshire. We then took ten inner-city kids to a Christian summer camp, after which a team from Michigan came in to minister with us. After that, Diane and I conducted a five-day vacation Bible club in downtown Brooklyn, which averaged 50 to 70 kids each day. This was followed by another team from Michigan which came. These teams that God brought our way were such a great encouragement. They truly helped us press on in the battle (Proverbs 6: 6 - 11).

## TESTIMONY

**This summer**, God provided us with Bibles and some books by Max Lucado, as well as some coloring books which had a Bible verse on each page. It was a blessing to give these out, not only to kids but to adults also. We even had Muslim ladies coming to us and asking if they could have a coloring book. Praise God!

**We were praising God** as His Word reached into the homes of so many different religions and nations this summer. We gave out over 1000 coloring books, I'm praying for God to use these in the lives of the unbelievers to show them God's way (Hebrews 4:12 and Psalms 107: 20).

**Diane and I praise God** for each prayer warrior and each supporter which He has raised up to be partners with us here in New York City. We could not do this ministry without each one of you. I know we have said this many times, but it is so true. Please let us continue to pray for lost souls to hear the Gospel and for the Lord of the harvest to provide additional laborers (Matthew 9:38).

**Praise God** that we were also able to be involved in the national "Bring Your Bible to School Day" activities on October 4. Diane contacted some of our friends from Horizon Christian Fellowship who came out and helped with this outreach. They told me to just sit, look pretty and take care of divine appointments as people came my way!

It was so awesome, as you will see in the following photos, that five girls came by and were excited about us giving out Bibles. They even stayed and helped us give them out! Please pray for these girls. Diane and Judy from our church are going to meet up with these girls, and we are hoping they will partner with us to start a Bible club at the school. Also pray for the Halloween outreach our church will be doing on October 31. They will be back at Dewey High school, handing out tracts and candy. We have invited the girls to be a part of that outreach as well.

**Diane recently needed another doctor appointment** because she has a health issue that was cared for by a doctor back in 2013. However, that doctor is booked way into November, so Diane saw a different doctor. We now know that it was a divine appointment set up by our Lord that she was not able to see the first doctor. This most recent visit was with a Jewish doctor and during the office visit, they got into conversation about us being full-time missionaries here in New York City. The doctor asked, "What religion are you? Are you Christian?" Diane's reply was, "Yes, I'm a born-again Christian." He smiled and said, "What is a born-again Christian? I hear that quite often lately." Of course, Diane automatically shared the story of Nicodemus and Jesus in the book of John, chapter three. When she was done explaining who Nicodemus was and his purpose of going at night, the doctor thought for a bit and said, "Wow, that's why you call yourself a born-again Christian." Diane said, "Yes, that's it." He replied, "Do you know how hard it is to be an Orthodox Jew? We have to work so hard for our religion." Diane then said, "Yes, Doctor Gothenburg, I am familiar with the Jewish laws. This is why Jesus came and died on the cross for all of us. And just before He died, He said, 'It is finished;' that's why you don't have to work so hard. Simply believe Jesus came here to save all of us, including you." Please pray for Dr Gothenburg's salvation. We are going to mail him some spiritual material.

God bless - we love you,

*Richard*

Richard & Diane Burley







**MANY ADULT MEETINGS TAKE PLACE IN THE OPEN AIR - GREAT TO HAVE TEAMS WITH US FOR THIS**



**ANOTHER ADVANTAGE OF HAVING A TEAM - WE HAD A CAR BLOCK US IN AND COULDN'T GET THE MINISTRY VAN OUT SO WE LITERALLY LIFTED THE CAR AND MOVED IT SO WE COULD GET OUR VAN OUT - ONLY IN NEW YORK CITY CAN THIS HAPPEN!!**



**BROOKLYN PARK OUTREACH**



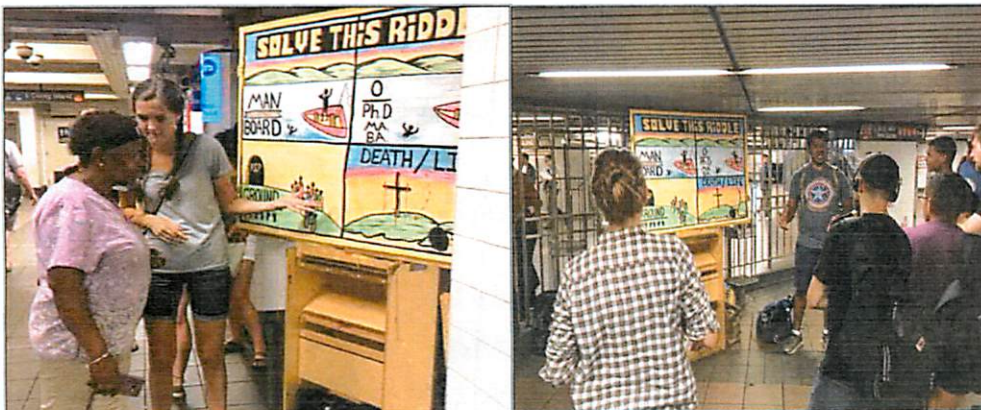
**GROUP PAINTING AND TRAINING FOR THE KIDS AND ADULT MEETINGS**



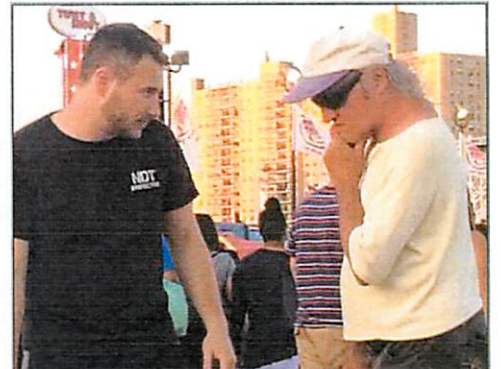
**KIDS MEETINGS TAKE PLACE IN PARK AREAS ALLOWING US TO MINISTER TO MANY PEOPLE**



**MINISTERING AT MERMAID MANOR THE SECOND SATURDAY OF EACH MONTH**



**SUBWAY MINISTRY ALLOWS US TO SHARE CHRIST EVEN WHEN IT IS RAINING OUTSIDE**



**HERE IS A FAITHFUL BROTHER WHO JOINED US AND SHARED THE GOSPEL DURING OUR FRIDAY NIGHT CONEY ISLAND OUTREACHES**

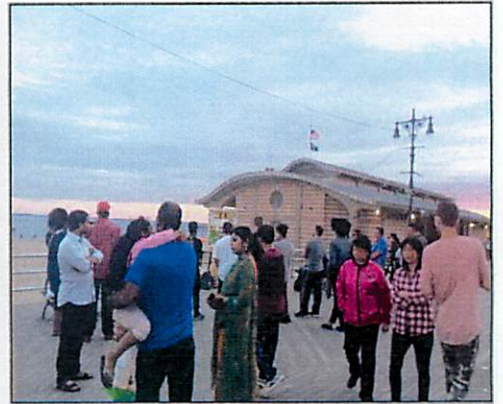




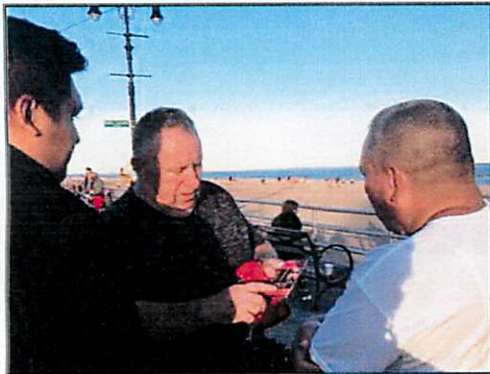
**CONEY ISLAND BOARDWALK IS A GOOD PLACE TO DISTRIBUTE GOSPEL TRACTS**



**HAVING A TEAM AT THE BOARDWALK ALLOWS THE MINISTRY TO MULTIPLY**



**LOTS OF GOOD MINISTRY CAN TAKE PLACE AT THE BOARDWALK DAY OR NIGHT**



**WE OFTEN HAVE OPPORTUNITY TO HAND OUT MANY CDS WITH THE GOSPEL IN MANY DIFFERENT LANGUAGES**



**JOHN SHARING THE GOSPEL, HE TOOK OVER HEADING UP OUR FRIDAY NIGHT OUTREACH WHEN I WENT IN FOR OPEN-HEART SURGERY - PRAISE GOD FOR THIS SERVANT**



**GOD USED THIS SPORTS CAMP TO INSPIRE MANY INNER CITY KIDS**



**THE TALL GIRL CAME TO CAMP FOR THE FIRST TIME WITH US AND GAVE HER LIFE TO CHRIST - AT THE CAMP CLOSING SHE GAVE HER TESTIMONY**



**THE LORD USED VACATION BIBLE CLUB THIS YEAR IN A MIGHTY WAY**



**THE CHILDREN PAID CLOSE ATTENTION AS WE USED THE SKETCHBOARD TO SHARE CHRIST**



**A PITCHER, CATCHER, AND CHAPLIN OF THE NEW YORK METS SHOWED UP TO GIVE THEIR TESTIMONY TO THE BOYS AND GIRLS**





**OUR GRANDDAUGHTER GOT MARRIED IN AUGUST**



## Praises...

- \* For God's amazing grace and salvation
- \* For all the brothers and sisters God has raised up to be partners with us here in New York City
- \* For being able to complete our summer schedule
- \* For the thousands of souls from all over the world that heard or received a gospel tract

## Prayer Requests

- \* For our continued faithfulness to the Lord
- \* For my recovery from open-heart surgery, for strength and rest
- \* Diane's health, as she will be having more testing done in late December or early January with a gastroenterologist. Pray that it would happen sooner if needed, for our Lord knows all things
- \* For Diane, as she has had an extra busy summer for hosting and cooking for these teams that came in to evangelize, as well as nursing me back to health
- \* Pray for Dr. Gothenburg's salvation



**MANY ONE-ON-ONE CONVERSATIONS TAKE PLACE AFTER OUR MEETINGS**



**HERE ARE A COUPLE OF THE GIRLS RECEIVING BIBLES WHICH WE WERE ABLE TO DISTRIBUTE AS MENTIONED IN THIS LETTER**



**IT IS OUR PRIVILEGE TO DISTRIBUTE GOD'S WORD - PRAY FOR THOSE WHO RECEIVE IT**



**IT'S GREAT TO GIVE OUT GOD'S WORD TO THOSE HE BRINGS OUR WAY**



OAC/USA is trusting the Lord to use this ministry to impact 25 cities in America with the Gospel through open-air evangelism and other ministry by means of strategic establishment of branch ministries by the year 2025.