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Frank's Update

Open Air Campaigners (OAC)

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA BRANCH



Teaching kids with Released Time Education on a school bus converted into a classroom !

Hello – on my way to help some saints share the glorious Gospel with Muslims, I saw a flock of about ten, white doves fly by. I was reminded of two Scriptures; when the Holy Spirit descended in the form of a dove, as the Lord Jesus was baptized (Matthew 3) and when Elisha asked for a double portion of the spirit of Elijah (2nd Kings 2). Seeing the birds, I prayed to the Lord, admitting that I needed a ten-fold filling of the Spirit in order to serve Him well. I am grateful that He is a gracious Father, Who gives the Holy Spirit to His kids who ask Him (Luke 11). May these recent stories be a blessing:

Hermosa Beach Happenings: At one outreach, I met some young, local Christians who had just returned from a church retreat. It was a blessing encouraging them in our most holy faith and praying for them. On a different night, I met **Christian**. He stopped and briefly looked at our riddle on the sketch board, but kept walking onto the pier. A bit later, he came back and gave me the correct answer. He said he went to a church in LA, but that he couldn't remember its name (yes, that raised my eyebrows). Regardless, I gave him a flyer for Calvary Chapel Inglewood and he left, but returned again to ask for some information about OAC. I also spoke to **Ali**, who was a Christian from Iran. We discussed the underground church in his home country and the Shia-side of Islam. Ali took a DVD on the Lord Jesus' life.



Thanks and Praises:



- A super trip to Tennessee
- His amazing and sufficient grace
- For all who pray, encourage, and give
- Getting to take part in His Kingdom work

Some Stats (since 21 Feb)

We shared the Gospel **33 times** with **nearly 700 people**. Of those, **36 professed Jesus as their Lord and Savior !**

"We count people because people count." -
Jim Duffecy (former OAC Intl. President)

Prayer Requests:

- For the Lord to provide the increase...
- His favor on our Intl. Conference in Ecuador
- Healing/strength for our aging ministry team
- New, younger staff and volunteers
- For the peace of Jerusalem ✨

Public Schools: I'm thanking the Lord that more doors have opened to partner with Christian after-school programs in public schools! At one in Long Beach, little **Aria** came up to me and asked if I knew Second Corinthians 5:17. I was impressed that she just said that correctly, but she went on to recite the verse perfectly. At the end of my Gospel story presentation, I gave her one of my four paintings.

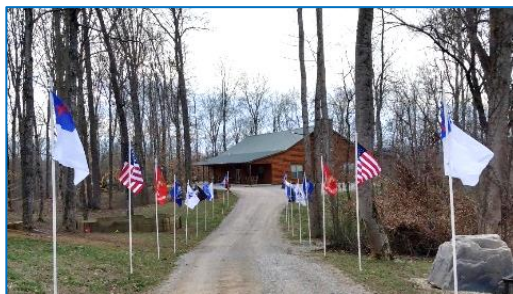


"Therefore, my beloved brethren, be steadfast, immovable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, knowing that your labor is not in vain in the Lord." - 1st Corinthians 15:58

Earlier Outreaches: I've adjusted our monthly schedule, including at least one earlier meeting, so Russ can continue to minister. Driving at night is difficult for him now. We don't get to use the black light, but the Lord still provides people to share the Gospel with. On one afternoon, two young men came near to where we were set up and began preaching. The guy preaching used the Prodigal Son story (Luke 15:11-32) to share his salvation testimony. As he was preaching, I painted up my version of the Prodigal Son. When he took a brake, I invited him to watch and it was great seeing his face, once he realized what I was sharing. I also encouraged his friend with the great verse above ☺

Santa Ana Kids: Our regular group of siblings had some relatives visit from Mexico, so we were happy for them to join the Bible club, despite them not knowing much English. We try to translate and when we don't do so well, their siblings help. That group went from three to seven kids. Russ and I trade the teaching responsibility week-to-week. For Easter, I used the Resurrection Eggs and the kids enjoyed the lesson. One regular boy came late, so I did a quick one-on-one teaching with him.

Russ teaching the children



Guys Get-away: A friend and Brother-in-Christ, who I served in the Air Force with, now leads a ministry in Tennessee. It focuses on men who served in the military or as first-responders. He had been exhorting me to go on one of their weekend retreats for a while, so I decided to. It was great fellowshiping with new Brothers, plus experiencing another beautiful part of our country. I was also given an opportunity to teach an evangelism method to the guys.



Interesting Timing: At Redondo pier, a man mockingly yelled to warn people that we use our riddle painting to share Jesus with them. I reminded him that death would come for him one day and that where he was spiritually would matter very much then. Less than 30 minutes after that, a Christian man came over and asked to pray over us. I recalled the timing of the two contrasting situations with two brothers on our team that night and they were surprised and agreed that the timing was pretty significant.

I'm grateful to the Lord for you and your support to help get the Gospel out! My next update should be distributed in August. Shalom, frank

An OAC newsletter from 1923 (let me know if you'd like me to send you the file) >



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