

"Children are a heritage from the LORD, the fruit of the womb a reward." Psalm 127:3

We are so excited and grateful for the three grandbabies that God is knitting together.

Thank you, Lord, for your undeserved favor. Our family is such a blessing to Kimberlee and me. We have loved every stage. We have four children still at home. Isaac is working construction. Silas is finishing his senior year of high school. Lyda is a junior. Ezra is in the 8th grade. What a blessing to see Ezra make his faith public and follow in obedience to the Lord in baptism. "I want to show others that Jesus is Ruler of my life." All the kids still go out in the open air with us when they can. Many are busy in their own ministries too. The picture below is from yesterday. We celebrated Thanksgiving together early. We have much to be thankful for. Everyone around this table is thankful to God for the years of full-time ministry with OAC. Many of you have been in it with us from the beginning, or for many years. THANK YOU! We thank the Lord for your friendship and care for us.



Have a blessed Christmas

Thank you for partnering with us!

We could not do what we do without you. We are thankful to our Heavenly Father for the gift of fellow brothers and sisters in Christ. Thank you for lifting us up before the throne. So many answered prayers for our family this year. Thank you for being in it with us. We love you. Praise God that all His promises are sure.

Until the net is full,

Brian & Kimberlee

Brian and Kimberlee The Harmon Family 1 Thess. 2:4



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"loving the LORD your God, obeying his voice and holding fast to him, for he is your life and length of days" Deuteronomy 30:20

Bless the Lord! Thank you, Lord, for your unfailing love. Each morning, I open my prayers this way. Aren't you thankful that God's love is steadfast and unearned! "For the LORD is good; his steadfast love endures forever, and his faithfulness to all generations." (Psalm 100:5)

"Year in Review" It is hard to believe we are near the end of another year. This update will have a little different layout than past updates. Pictures, pictures, pictures, and I will add an insert letter if you feel like reading. Just as a reminder, we try to email an update near the beginning of each month with up-to-date pictures, testimonies, prayer requests, etc. If you do not currently receive our email updates, and you would like to, please let us know. Jot me an email at: oacmichigan@gmail.com



Above picture was taken in 1963. OAC's first US Branch was in Chicago, IL. Here OAC is doing open air with Moody Bible Institute.



Kimberlee and I were able to take our four kiddos to Chicago for a day with Moody Bible Institute (MBI) students. We did some training in September and October with MBI. Here we are doing open air near the institute. The students jumped right in. MBI is a great school. Chicago is a wonderful city for an OAC branch. Pray with us...



One of our 8 weekly public high school programs





Overview of ministry opportunities this year:

Praise the Lord. We've been able to preach the glorious Gospel at Michigan State University, Western Michigan University, Central Michigan University, University of Southern Florida, University of Cincinnati, Northern Kentucky University, Penn State University, Indiana University of Pennsylvania, Bloomsburg University, Moody Bible Institute, GBSC in Cincinnati, Harmon Co-op, Livingston Christian School, Fulton Jr/Sr High School, St. Johns High School, Morrice Jr/Sr High School, Perry High School, many downtown sidewalks, Boston, Tampa, Miami, Ecuador, festivals/events, churches, Camp Barakel, and day-to-day interactions. We don't want to neglect those opportunities God brings that are not on "our" calendars!

Electrical Engineering Professor from Pakistan. She is a devout Muslim... We talked for about 45 minutes. God allowed me to share the Gospel so clearly with her. She was taken back at how the Bible explains how God can show mercy while not giving up his justice (through Christ alone). The Quran' does not answer this question. She returns to Pakistan in May. A decision for Christ would be a hard decision for her. She is pregnant with their 3rd child and her husband is Muslim too...

Evan (Muslim high school student) In April, Evan responded to the Gospel in faith. We had been praying for him for 6 months. He raised his hand during the lunch hour. I thought he had a question, but he just wanted to announce to everyone that, "I have converted to Christianity and have trusted in Jesus." He has grown so much over the summer and this fall. I get to see him every Thursday still. He is going to church with the pastor that works in this school with me.

Ali (Muslim student – University of Southern Florida) After a long and wonderful conversation with Ali, he said, "You speak the truth." I gave him a New Testament, and he was on his way. Fifteen minutes later, while I was in another conversation with a group of Hindu students, I felt a tug on my arm. It was Ali. He pointed at John 1:1-4 "...and the Word was God..." Ali asked, "What does this mean?" Wow, what a great question and time we had talking about who Jesus is and our personal need for His work! Can you know you have eternal life (1 John 5:13)?

Spencer (Jewish student – Penn State) His eyes were opened as we went through O.T. prophecies about Jesus. "I need to really look into this Jesus. Maybe he is the Messiah. You have given me much to consider." Spencer had never read the N.T., but he had the whole Nano Tanakh around his neck. He said he looked forward to reading the whole N.T. that I gave him.

Riley (christian paganism – Northern Kentucky University) I talked with Riley for about an hour. She has had a real experience with the demonic and is deceived about her experience with Jesus. Much scripture was shared with her. At times, she would seem to soften and darken throughout our conversation. You could see the spiritual battle and bondage she was in. I prayed spiritual warfare prayer over her and gave her a strong warning of what she was imprisoned to (Col. 2:8) and where this would lead (Matt. 25:46).

The high school ministries are going so well! There are many questions from the students this year. It seems like the topic of "Heaven and our resurrected bodies" is on the students minds more this year. Also, questions about "Why evil, pain, and suffering?" A couple weeks ago, a high school student named Ethan asked this question in front of about 40 of his fellow students: "Why does God allow bad things to happen to good people?" I'm so thankful to God for giving me pause and His wisdom to ask if there was a reason he was asking this question. Ethan said, "Yes, my friend was ejected from her car this weekend, and they had to unplug her this morning." God gives his grace for these interactions.

Here are some more questions from HS students that I have received over the past couple weeks:

How many religions get to go to heaven? What does the Bible say about ghosts? If God knows all things, why did he create a world where evil was possible? Aren't all religions fundamentally the same? What do you think about purgatory? What evidence is there that the Bible came form God? Can I bring my Bible next week and you tell me if it is a good one? Does God allow suffering, or cause suffering? My Dad committed suicide...Does this mean he is in hell? How does a person receive salvation? How can the Bible be true, since dinosaurs were around 15,000,000 years ago? Can God speak to us through OUIJA Boards? Why do you believe the Bible instead of any other religion? These questions are asked in a group setting, so they are very helpful. I love Q&A in high schools. The students know to interrupt my painting whenever they have a question \bigcirc God uses their questions to bring huge truths out.

Harmon Reports:

As staff with Open Air Campaigners, we fill out our monthly reports each month and send them to Central Services. This is good for accountability and encouragement. Looking over our reports from January – November 2024: We've been able to hold 386 meetings, with 6,620 in attendance, and we have seen 128 people respond to the Gospel. Thousands of Gospel tracts have been handed out as well. The evangelistic ministry of Open Air Campaigners is going on all across the USA (12 OAC branches and 7 OAC areas of ministry) as well as in other countries. I believe 28 is the current number of countries OAC is established in. We praise the Lord for His faithfulness over the years! The first open air meeting by our founder (E. P. Fields) was held at Coogee Beach, Australia (March 20, 1892).

What am I hearing? Over the last year and a half, I have noticed a word being used more and more. It is the #1 word used by people that are trying to explain to me how they feel. The word is: ALONE. I heard it again this week from a high school student. How sad! This happens to be the first thing God teaches us in the Bible. "In the beginning God..." - you are not alone. This has been such a launching pad for the Gospel. God made us in his image (Genesis 1:27) to share in this most unique relationship, a relationship that is beyond our imagination (John 17:20-22). Glory to God!

Why suffering? This has been one of the most asked questions that I have gotten this year. As most of us know, we don't often get the answer when we ask this question. Can there be purpose in my suffering? Sadly, many react to the suffering in the world and conclude, "There is no God." If they are right, then there can be no purpose for your suffering. BUT there is a God. Not only is there a "god", but there is a knowable God. He tells us a little about himself in the Bible. He is all-powerful. He is all-knowing. He is all-benevolent.... Then, why suffering? This is who God is, not the answer to our particular "Why did this happen" question. BUT because this is true about God, we can have hope and peace in Him. We can trust him, if we know him (Isaiah 26:3,4). Here is a quote that has ministered to me and helped to encourage others this year. Quote: "If God would concede me His omnipotence for 24 hours, you would see how many changes I would make in the world. But if He gave me His wisdom too, I would leave things as they are." – J.M.L Monsabre