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Grace: "When thinking through the week, the story that comes to the forefront of my mind is my conversation with a girl named Antonella. Antonella was from Paraguay and was in Miami for a tennis tournament. She shared that she was unsure of what will happen to her when she passes away. Although she has heard people talk about coming back as something else when they pass away, she has not thought about it much at all. As we continued talking, she shared how she had two friends who knew Jesus and told her about Him. She revealed how she had a moment in her room when she thought about God and felt this weird sensation wash over her. In that moment she felt something she'd never felt before. It made her curious, but then she never followed up on it and soon forgot about it. During our conversation, we talked about how God is pursuing her; how He is knocking on her door, waiting for her to answer. I got the opportunity to share the redemptive story of God throughout His word from Old Testament to New Testament and from her questions and curiosities, it was clear that the Lord had softened her heart to it. As she continued to ask questions, we talked about the evidence for Christianity and what it means to be born again. As our conversation wrapped up, I got the opportunity to pray over her and offer her some resources. She shared how she was going to talk to her friends about going to a Christian Sunday school they attended to learn more about God. Even though I cannot see every outcome of that conversation, I pray that Antonella continues to ask questions and find answers from the Word. I am grateful to be used by the Lord to further His name and I look forward to using my experiences from that week to grow my knowledge of effective evangelism!"

Gospel conversations took place with people from the following countries. 1. Saudi Arabia 2. Argentina 3. Ukraine 4. Russia 5. Columbia 6. Mexico 7. China 8. USA 9. Italy 10. Cuba 11.

Venezuela 12. Indonesia 13. Bulgaria 14. Germany 15. Colombia 16. Spain 17. South Korea 18. Costa Rica 19. Lebanon 20. Puerto Rico 21. Turkey 22. Brazil 23. Madagascar 24. Canada 25. India 26. Egypt 27. England 28. Ireland 29. France 30. Haiti 31. Portugal 32. Paraguay 33. Lithuania



Levi, Avery, and Levi at a park near their home. Christine was in Angola part of the time we were in Florida.

Thank you for your prayers, gifts, and encouragement. Three weeks ago, Diane was also diagnosed with a partially collapsed lung. She will undergo more testing to determine the cause and the best remedy.

In God's Grace,

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Diane was in the hospital for four days with two blood clots in her lungs, pneumonia, and pleural effusion while visiting Bethany and family in Phoenix. Pictured are Diane, Bethany and Kyleigh.

"I do not pray that You should take them out of the world, but that You should keep them from the evil one"

John 17:15

Dear Praying Partners,

Sometimes when we see the direction the world is going in we desire to be "absent from this body and present with our Lord." That day will come for every believer. Hearing Jesus pray the way He did throughout John 17, it seems He wants us here as His ambassadors. Look closely at people as they pass by. Most are not happy and are frustrated that their efforts to enjoy a better life fail quickly. Jesus prayed for us to be here as long as possible to tell them what the problem is and how it can be remedied. To think about the future that awaits most should stir in us a heart of compassion (Matthew 9:36-38). The following testimonies will stir your heart as these young people from Liberty University had theirs stirred while in Miami.

Isaac: "When I was doing open air evangelism Thursday night, I met two college students by the name of Alex and Amir. Alex was agnostic and Amir was muslim, but they were very receptive to the Gospel of Jesus Christ. I presented the idea of the law of noncontradiction and they appeared to be listening. Alex asked me about the trinity and if in fact Jesus prayed to himself when he prayed to God. I corrected him by saying that Jesus prayed to the Father. This significantly portrays the concept of the trinity of three persons in one divinity. Amir also asked me whether there is a thin line of a works based salvation. I told him as Brian told me, Salvation is a works-based salvation. However, it is not by our works that we are saved, it is by Jesus' works in dying on the cross paying the debt of all of our sins that we can receive the gift of grace and mercy for salvation. I have no doubt that the Holy Spirit was working through us during the Miami mission trip."

Tanner: "One of the conversations that really stood out to me during the Miami trip was when I talked to a catholic husband and wife. I let them figure out the riddle for themselves, while giving them hints along the way. Once we started talking about the gospel, it became clear that what they believed about Jesus was more of a works based salvation, in that, if I am a good person, go to church, and adhere to what the catholic church says I should do to gain favor with God, then I will be saved. I explained to them that although going to church is good and what God wants us to do, God cares more about the relationship we have with him, and it is through trusting in his son's sacrifice on the cross, that will get us to heaven. While explaining this to them, they seemed very interested in what I was saying and seemed happy to be listening to me. I felt the Holy Spirit carrying me along in this conversation with people much older than me, and they walked away grateful for what I shared with them, which was a cool experience."

Elise: "My favorite testimony from this past week was when I got into a conversation with a mother and her two children. The mom professed Christ but the oldest son was very doubtful of Christianity. Before they even did the riddle the mom understood that it was a Christian thing and told her son to ask me the questions he had. He began to ask questions such as why do bad things happen to good people, did the universe create God, how do we know the Bible is true, how we know the books of the Bible are the correct ones. And it was amazing how the Holy Spirit gave me answers! I was speaking answers that I never thought or decided to say! It was just that words were coming to mind and I spoke them! He also let me feel his power and boldness the first three days which was a blessing!"

Aidan: "This trip has been very eye opening. At Liberty University we live in an environment that is full of Jesus and unfortunately the world around is just not that way. No matter how much time I have spent outside of Christian influence, this week made me realize how important missions work and evangelism are. I had so many conversations with those who call themselves Christians and yet don't even know the basic importance of Jesus' sacrifice and what a Christian life should look like. And so many people who don't even understand or think about where they go when they die. I had many conversations with many people. The most memorable one I had was with a woman from Lithuania who was so full of joy and happiness and told me she had a near death experience that she believed God spared her from but she didn't really know what to think about Christianity. She had read the whole New Testament but every time she opened her Bible or tried to look into her faith a "black cat would walk across her path" or a "black bird would cross her window". She had questions and was genuinely curious so I pray she finds the Lord. Her name was Ishtah.

Claudia: I had a conversation with a teenager from Canada who was agnostic and felt hopeless because he felt like there wasn't much to life after death. I shared the gospel with him and he was very interested and asked many questions. Then I was able to pray over him and gave him a gospel tract.

PRAYER REQUESTS

Daily Diane's complete recovery.

Monday April 15, Ministry at UMass Lowell and training on campus ministry in evangelism.

Tuesday April 18-25, A team of 13 from Peoples Christian Academy in Toronto will be working with Lighthouse Fellowship in Quincy. These high school students are Chinese and will be working with the Chinese church, Ember Community Church, that meets at Lighthouse Fellowship.

Wednesday ... Ministry at Boston Univ. and Northeastern Univ. especially April 22 and 23, as many Asian students are on these campuses, and we will be bringing the Toronto team.

Thursday That the Lord would the open hearts of administrators and students at Bridgewater State, Westfield State, and M.I.T.

Friday June 6-13, Our children paid for us to go on a week-long trip to Acadia National Park in Maine to celebrate our 50th anniversary (June 12).

Saturday Summer ministry with many churches and mission teams.

Sunday Worship and Praise to the Lord.



Open Air Campaigners is an evangelistic ministry of preaching the Gospel to lost people and mobilizing the body of Christ to do the same, primarily through effective open-air outreach.

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OAC staff Chris McKinley at M.I.T.



Ministry at Boston University. A BU police officer pulled his cruiser over March 26th and came up to me and the rest of our team thanking us for being a witness on campus.



Keene State College. We are given permission to be inside during the cold weather. Volunteer Joey and myself engage students with the gospel.



Adult message resulting in many students in gospel conversations.



Chris and I witnessing to students at Northeastern Univ. Joe, a former NU student, became a believer after hearing the gospel in this very place and is in the middle witnessing to another student.



Subway ministry is great during the winter.



Volunteer Frank witnessing to High school students outside Roxbury Crossing T Station.

Downtown Boston where there are always people around! As soon as I started sharing the gospel with this couple, they took their children away.



Quincy Center T Station. This mother and son were staying with a friend but were homeless. I prayed for them and gave them help and Jessica started crying.

LU student Elise teaching an object lesson before the message.



Liberty students painting up messages before preaching them.



Team picture at Homestead Baptist Church, Florida.

