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Newsletter

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### Praise His Name!

God bless you and thank you for supporting our ministry. Please pray for **BOLDED** newsletter items. Please pray for **MINISTRY** in Las Vegas, Nevada May 18-23. Please pray for our Tuesday Night **FELLOWSHIPS**. We're studying the Book of Revelation & invite you to join us if you're in the Atlanta area.

Sincerely,  
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### Eddie and Lura Beckford (Arad, Israel)

**EDDIE & LURA** are instrumental in organizing a peaceful demonstration on Tuesday, October 11 in front of the Knesset (Israeli Government



Headquarters) in **JERUSALEM**. The goal of this demonstration is to proclaim Jesus and make the Israeli Government aware of and accountable for the persecution of **ISRAELI BELIEVERS**. Please pray for this event and all the other **MINISTRY** they do!

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Please pray for **STEVE** as he ministers throughout Southern California and the Internet. He plans to help at an **OUTREACH** in Los Angeles on May 15 which will be attended by many Jewish people.

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### **Sandusky, Ohio**

We had a ministry booth at the **GOD GIRLS IN MOTION** conference at the Kalahari Resort in Sandusky, Ohio. Our booth was near the food concession. Not only were we able to equip conference participants with evangelistic t-shirts and other items, but we had the opportunity to proclaim Jesus to some of the people who happened to be staying at the resort! God sent us a wonderful **BELIEVER** who has a great love for **ISRAEL** and the Jewish **PEOPLE**! She purchased over 40 "*Jesus Loves You*" t-shirts to give to people, and arranged for me to share at her **CHURCH** where we equipped people with another 50 shirts!

### **Huntington Beach, California**

We did **OUTREACH** on the streets near the Huntington Beach Pier. Many of the thousands of people, from literally around the world, were challenged. A **MAN** with spiked hair and tattoos insisted on having his picture taken with me and my "*Jesus Loves You*" t-shirt. My **FRIENDS**, who recently opened a Messianic/Christian **BOOKSTORE**, took me to dinner at the very Jewish Katella Deli where I showed off my "*Jesus Loves You*" t-shirt. I've been sharing with a young **MAN** (Catholic) at Baskin Robbins on my previous trips, and this time his agnostic (Southern Baptist) **CO-WORKER** allowed me to share as well. I also shared with a Canadian **MAN** at my **FRIEND**'s apartment complex where I had stayed.

## Beverly Hills, California

As I drove down Santa Monica Boulevard to meet my **SISTER** and her **FRIEND** for dinner, I couldn't help but notice Orthodox **JEW**s crossing the street to go to their Shabbat Service. As I drove home after dinner, the Orthodox **JEW**s were crossing back over the street from their service. I couldn't help myself but to roll down my car window and tell them about their Messiah!

## Palm Springs, California

**STEVE ZOB**ER and I drove out to Palm Springs for the Thursday Night Street Fair. On the way, we stopped to help Steve's Gideon **FRIENDS** distribute Bibles at a local school. We also stopped off to meet with **RACHEL PERL** from the **HEBREW CHRISTIAN WITNESS**. She wanted to get a "*Jesus te Ama*" t-shirt for a Spanish **PASTOR** she works with. **STEVE BABKOW**, the leader of **OHAV SHALOM**, has a booth at the Palm Springs Street Fair every week and asked us to come out. An Orthodox Chabad Rabbi sets up a booth called, "Ask the Rabbi" and Ohav's booth has a big sign, "Ask about the greatest Rabbi" and many people do! As Steve Zober and I walked around the street fair many Jewish and Gentile **BELIEVERS** and **NON-BELIEVERS** asked us about our "*Jesus Loves You*" t-shirts and took Gospel tracts! We went to speak to the **RABBI**, and asked him about Messianic Prophecies in the Tanakh (Old Testaement), but he didn't want to discuss scripture, just feelings? The Lord is Lord of all including bathroom needs. I can't tell you how many times over the years I've had incredible witnessing encounters at an emergency restroom stop. As I was coming out of the restroom at the street fair, I saw a Middle Eastern looking **FAMILY**. I heard the accent, spoke Hebrew, the father couldn't believe I knew they were Mishpochah and we shared with them!

*"Again I ask: Did they stumble so as to fall beyond recovery? Not at all! Rather, because of their transgression, salvation has come to the Gentiles to make Israel envious. But if their transgression means riches for the world, and their loss means riches for the Gentiles, how much greater riches will their fullness bring!"-Romans 11:11-12*

## Nine Years Later...

In 2002 I walked into the Kroger wearing my "*Jesus Loves You*" Jewish star t-shirt. A Jewish **WOMAN** working there told me she liked my t-shirt (because of the Jewish star). She wasn't wearing her glasses, and I asked if she liked what was inside? She couldn't read what was inside so I told her, and she said, "Oh!" I met this woman one month after her husband died. We prayed for her and her whole **FAMILY** to come to faith. I started reaching out to her and she eventually prayed to receive Jesus! This past summer she was finally baptized. Last week her son was baptized and the family goes to and serves at their **CHURCH!**

## Homosexuals Love Jesus

Several years ago I met a Homosexual Jewish **MAN** and began reaching out to him. He eventually prayed with me to receive Jesus and was later baptized. He had some struggles with drugs, so we helped him get into a Christian drug rehabilitation **PROGRAM**. He recently graduated from the program and is now on staff with this ministry! Please pray for him as he serves the Lord through this program.

## Meet Me In St. Louis

Several years ago my **FRIEND** asked me to reach out to an elderly Jewish **WOMAN** in a Jewish assisted living home in my neighborhood. I began reaching out to her and gave her a Hebrew New Testament. Her **RABBI** found the Bible and she told me I better not come there anymore? My **FRIEND** visits from St. Louis, and I drop her off at the assisted living home to minister to this Jewish woman. My friend recently wrote: "XXXXXXX called and left me a lovely message last week that touched me and made me cry. She said she misses me. She said that every time she puts on the fancy sunglasses that I gave her, she thinks of me! I **KNEW** it was a God thing to give them to her! My prayer is that she would remember **JESUS**, and be reminded of what He has done for her! May she **SOON** see her **NEED** for Him and receive Jesus as her Messiah!!!" Please pray.

## Jews Fighting Jews

I love **EDDIE & LURA BECKFORD**'s bold witness! They have been so effective in proclaiming Jesus, their local **ORTHODOX** placed false articles in the Arad newspapers. Eddie & Lura used this as an opportunity to counter the articles with truth and proclamation of Jesus! Eventually the Orthodox got to the newspaper owners and had Eddie & Lura banned from writing articles. As a result, Eddie & Lura created their own newspaper with all the articles being about Jesus in both Hebrew and Russian!

Several years ago I went to Arad, Israel to minister with Eddie & Lura. I distributed their newspapers in the center of Arad. I was surrounded by several Orthodox, and prevented from distributing the newspapers. They started yelling and the **POLICE** came. The police chief told me I had to leave? I reminded the chief it was legal, but he told me I was causing a disturbance? I asked the chief if I was to get 20 of my friends, walk down the street, meet an Orthodox Jew wearing a black hat, decide we don't like

black hats and demand he take it off, would that be right? I told the chief to think long and hard about what he was saying to me. The chief scratched his head, told me to wait and disappeared for 30 minutes? While I waited, the Orthodox continued to harass me and lit the newspapers on fire? The chief finally came back and told me he would allow me to continue, but hurry up. Lura came to get me and filmed the "scene". The head Rabbi pushed the camera into Lura's head. The chief was standing right there and asked Lura why she hit the Rabbi's hand with her head?

Eddie & Lura told me after I left, **PEOPLE** started coming to the Chess Club/Bible Shop for weeks afterwards. They wanted to get a copy of the newspaper that caused so much trouble and took several copies for their neighbors as well. An Arab **MAN** wanted to know why Jews were fighting Jews. Eddie & Lura shared with him, and he prayed to receive Jesus! Eddie & Lura put the video on You Tube and so far it has been viewed over 630,000 times! **JEWS FOR JESUS** just produced a movie called "Flowers of the Son" and used footage from the video and **DAVID BRICKNER** wrote about me in the March Issue of the Jews for Jesus Newsletter.

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