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Newsletter

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Steve Kaplan (Atlanta, Georgia)

Praise His Name! God bless you and thank you for supporting our ministry! Please pray for **BOLDED** items:

Please pray for **MINISTRY** at The **SOUTHERN BAPTIST CONVENTION** in Dallas, Texas from June 10-13. (Speaking/Selling in Dallas/Ft. Worth area June 8-10)

Please pray for **MINISTRY/SALES** at The **NATIONAL BAPTIST CONVENTION** in Oklahoma City, Oklahoma from June 18-22.

Please pray for **MINISTRY/SALES** at The **NORTH AMERICAN CHRISTIAN CONFERENCE** in Indianapolis, Indiana from June 26-28.

Please pray for **MINISTRY/SALES** at **MESSIAH CONFERENCE** in Grantham, Pennsylvania from July 1-7.

Sincerely,
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We had an outreach booth at the International Women's Show (part of the Southern Women's Shows). After I set up the booth, I went to the mall to have dinner and to find **ISRAELIS** who might be receptive to receiving our Gospel materials. Praise God I found an Israeli who was receptive and took one of our Hebrew Gospel booklets! There was another Israeli, busy with a customer, so I just left one on his counter.

As we began working, I heard the **VENDORS** in the next row singing happy birthday in Hebrew? I ran over and asked whose birthday it was and gave that Israeli a Hebrew Book as a present! Many Jewish **PEOPLE** and **OTHERS** came by our booth and took Gospel materials and/or asked questions and bought t-shirts! One Jewish woman asked me for a star of David with a cross in it for her **NEPHEW** who has a Catholic **PARENT**.

Although the witnessing was fruitful, it is just too expensive, and we don't have the money to reserve booths with the Southern Women's Shows. I lowered the price of one of our items to generate more sales and it did. Unfortunately, it was so successful the Southern Women's Show management told me we can no longer sell that item because it is undercutting another vendor. I am sure God will open other avenues for outreach.

Ice Cream, You Scream, We All Scream For Ice Cream

My friend/roommate **GRAHAM** (Jewish believer) moved back into my house recently, and we went out to dinner/outreach. I felt led to eat at a shopping center with a pizza place, ice cream parlor and kosher restaurant. After we parked, Graham and I prayed about where to eat dinner. We went to the Kosher restaurant. They seated us at the community table in the middle of the restaurant on seats which are higher up. Almost **EVERYONE** had a view of my Hebrew "*Jesus Loves You*" t-shirt. Although the restaurant is Israeli owned, most of the servers are Israeli and most of the customers are Orthodox Jews, no one made mention of my shirt? We had to wait for our check, and when they finally brought it, we had to wait again for a problem they were having with their computer?

Because of the extra wait time at the Kosher restaurant, we arrived at the ice cream parlor just in time to be in front of a **MAN** wearing a shirt with the initials SJ on it? I asked if it was St. Johns University and it was, and he turned out to be Jewish and from New York. We both moved to Atlanta in 1992. He wasn't very happy and was wanting to move away. He asked why I moved to Atlanta, and I told him Jesus told me to. I asked if he ever considered Jesus, and he was very closed about it. But, he told me his **COUSIN** is a believer. I asked who his cousin is. He said she lives in Florida. I said try me. Sure enough I know her! We sat down and invited him to join us. Not only did he join us, but he called his cousin, and we got to speak. She was surprised!

Around Atlanta

I have been ministering to two autistic Jewish **MEN** for many years. We go out to eat, and often run into Jewish **PEOPLE** I have known for many years who are still challenged by my t-shirts! They help with ministry administrative needs and we often text each other. They prayed to receive the Lord, but need to better understand what it means to have a relationship with God. Please pray for them to understand.

The van and our ministry t-shirts continue to be a mighty witness wherever we go. While leaving the post office, I noticed an Orthodox Jewish **MAN** looking at our van! I asked the Lord where to eat lunch, and He sent me to a restaurant I had never been to. Sure enough, a young **WOMAN** followed me to my table and sat at the one next to me. She's a "Torah Observant" Gentile and wanted to make sure I was keeping the law? I explained Yeshua (Jesus) is the fulfillment of the law. I told her the law commands you to keep the entire law and you can not (no temple sacrifices). I also quoted Galatians 3:25 several times to which she had no answer?

I reminded God eventhough I am available to Gentiles, my heart is for my Jewish mishpocah! After lunch on my way to vote, one of my supporting Congregational Leaders called and prayed with me. The same Orthodox Jewish man from the post office was in the voting parking lot campaigning. He handed me his flyer and I handed

him a Gospel tract! Inside I ran into a couple of Jewish **PEOPLE** I had witnessed to before as well as a Jewish **BELIEVER** that I know. On the way to the car, I told the Orthodox Jewish Man I had voted for him and challenged him to glorify Hashem (they call God Hashem-The Name). He thanked me and shook my hand.

"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



**EDDIE & LURA BECKFORD
(Harrisburg, Pennsylvania)**

Lura wrote:

"This has been a busy month! The special Oneg we had on May 5 was a rousing success in terms of fellowship, spiritual fun and getting reacquainted with old friends. It was such a wonderful time, we are doing it again on June 23! Pray for the Holy Spirit to touch those who are coming with the truth of Messiah Yeshua!

We had the pleasure of seeing more friends at the Viet Nam Veterans 819th Redhorse Reunion in Alexandria, VA. This was the unit where Eddie and Milt both served together in Viet Nam.

We met with a Jewish couple from the Boston area as they traveled near Philadelphia. This was the same man who traveled to Atlanta, GA and met Steve not long ago. Small world! We had a great conversation!

Eddie is very involved with the Veterans this month. He volunteered at the traveling wall (Viet Nam Memorial) for two days. And of course, there are parades with Memorial Day weekend, so he has participated in several parades in a number of cities. He is also volunteering at an outreach to addicts of all kinds.

I, am still working on the book about our adventures in Israel; Pray for me! Thanks for the prayers and support as we continue to be available and open to the Lord's Plan, wherever it may lead!"

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