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Newsletter

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**Steve Kaplan, President
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Praise His Name! God bless you and thank you for supporting our ministry! Please pray for **BOLDED** items in this newsletter.

June 30-July 7, **MESSIAH CONFERENCE**
in Harrisburg, Pennsylvania

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Pray, Eat and Witness

I try to pray and seek the Lord as to where He would have me eat meals. One day, the Lord sent me to one of the Kosher restaurants in my neighborhood. My Gentile **SERVER** told me she liked my "**Jesus Loves You**" Jewish star t-shirt! She told me her Jewish **FRIEND**, who is not a believer, gave her the same exact shirt? I asked her (the server) if she was a believer, but she wasn't sure?

I have to admit, one of the reasons I like this kosher restaurant so much, is that it is across the alley from an ice cream shop! As I left the restaurant to get my ice cream, there was a **MAN** on his cell phone in front. I could tell by his accent he was Israeli! Although, he was on the phone, I offered him a Hebrew Gospel booklet and he accepted it! At first he didn't want it, but I said, "**Mahtanah**" which is Hebrew for gift!

The young **WOMAN** working at the ice cream store is a believer and knows that I am one too because of my t-shirts! She gets so excited when I come in, and we were able to share with her co-workers!

I have been eating at a new restaurant that opened up in the same shopping center as our ministry mailbox. The owners are two Jewish **BROTHERS**, and I have been getting to know them. I usually park the ministry van right in front of the restaurant and show off one of my evangelistic t-shirts. They have some Jewish oriented items on their menu and attract Jewish **CUSTOMERS** who are challenged by my t-shirts!

I often eat at another restaurant owned by a Jewish **MAN** and his Jewish **BROTHER-IN-LAW**. I have been eating there for years, and usually one of them will come over and sit and talk with me.

I pray for the day these seeds take root and all of these people come to know their Messiah!

Southern Baptist Convention

I am a member of the **SOUTHERN BAPTIST MESSIANIC FELLOWSHIP**. We meet every year right before the Southern Baptist Convention which was in Birmingham, Alabama this year. We have a table at the Ethnic Ministries Booth and provide **PEOPLE** with all kinds of resources to help them reach out to Jewish **PEOPLE**!

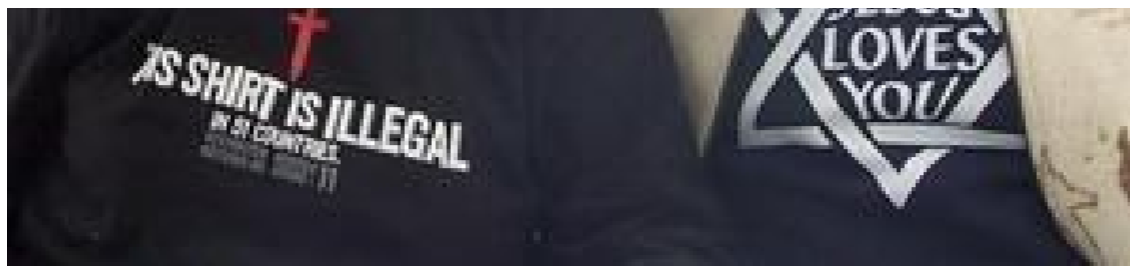
Change of Plans

I had planned to be a vendor at the National Baptist Convention, but by the time I applied for our booth, they were sold out? I have been going to this convention for many years, but they did not have room for us? When I first started working this convention, there were numerous Jewish **VENDORS** I was able to share with. As time went on, less and less of them would attend? Pray for God's guidance to continue?

As fate would have it, the Lord blessed us with numerous wholesale orders the week I had planned to be in Baltimore for the National Baptist Convention. **MESSIANIC CONGREGATIONS** in Nevada, Oregon and Russia requested evangelistic t-shirts to minister with! **MINISTRIES** in North Dakota, Ohio, Florida, Georgia and Arizona requested jewelry to minister with! We have never had so many orders in one week!

"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 month, Eddie was featured in an article of the 50plus magazine: here is the link: <http://50pluslifepa.com/veterans>

He has been so instrumental in reaching out to the Veterans, going to PTSD sessions and working in the food bank, reaching out to prevent suicides among the Vets, handing out Bibles and Daily Bread publications. He is also busy helping in the soup kitchens and the senior citizens. A Hassidic Jew showed up at one of the soup kitchens.

The Publishers have edited my book and now I must spend time approving or disproving what they have done, so they can get on with the publication. I am hoping to have some copies to take with me to Israel in October. I would also like to take some funds with me to pass out to at least two of the effective ministries in Arad to bless and encourage them. If you would like to participate and be a blessing to them, let me know. Just send a note with your donation. I ordered a flight ticket and put it on the credit card. I know the Lord will provide the funds for this trip. He is ever faithful! I want to pass out audio Bibles while I am in Israel, so please pray for a fruitful time of outreach and other believers to help.

We are still doing monthly Oneg Fellowships, but now we are asking the Lord to provide a place to meet to be able to do outreaches. The church that invited us to meet is O.K. for a monthly meeting, but not located in a suitable place for outreach. We do have another possibility: Please pray for wisdom and guidance for the Lord while we check it out.

We are both excited about the opportunities the Lord gives us to share Yeshua with unbelievers! May He bless you abundantly! We thank God for you! Love!"

" Eddie's new email -- ebeckigbo@gmail.com



**CYRIL GORDON
(Southern California)**

Cyril wrote:

"Praise God, it's been another month of adventure bringing the love of Jesus into synagogues. My message to my Jewish people when I visit synagogues is, "Jesus is not your enemy". This month I visited a Reform synagogue with my friend, who's also a Jewish believer in Jesus. We put on our Kippahs (our covert disguise) and attended a Torah study and a Bat Mitzvah.

After the Bat Mitzvah we were invited to eat with everybody, and I purposely sat at an empty table so that the Lord would decide who should sit with us. The table filled up quickly, and sure enough, an older woman named Diane sat next to me and started asking me many pointed questions. It wasn't long before she asked the question, "Are you one of those "born again Christians?" Oy...at that point my cover was blown as I confessed to her that indeed I was a Jew who loved Jesus.

I soon discovered that even though during our conversation, I tried to speak softly, sure enough, the whole table had been listening to our conversation, and before you knew it, the whole table got into an animated discussion about Christians, Jews, and Jesus. Immediately, almost every Jew at the table made sure to let me know how they were told by Christians that if they didn't believe in Jesus they were

going to Hell, and of course, one of them mentioned that they were told that you Jews killed Jesus. All I said to myself, was, "Oy vey", this could get heated.

Surprisingly though, I took note that Diane had some real poignant questions about Jesus, and I offered to meet with her and her husband outside the synagogue to have a discussion--then there was that long pause...she was counting the cost of believing in Jesus. In the end, she politely let me know that she wasn't ready to meet and talk about Jesus at this time. However, when another woman at the table found out that my friend and I were Jewish believers in Jesus and open to discussing it, she got uncomfortable and left the table--probably to get the word out to the other congregants that there were "missionaries" trying to convert Jews in their synagogue. At this point, I looked at my friend and said, "I think it's time to exit, stage left". And we left before they could throw us out.

Please pray that Diane will have the courage to look into Jesus, and that I will still be allowed to visit this synagogue in the future."
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