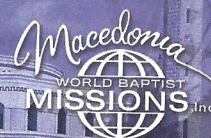




the Gates family



Missionaries to the Arabs of America in

Dearborn

Michigan

"And the Lord, he it is that doth go before thee, fear not, neither be dismayed" Deuteronomy 31:8

Dearest Friends

November '21

God is faithful, by whom ye were called unto the fellowship of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord. (1 Cor 1:9)

We serve a faithful God. He is good and cannot be unfaithful. It has been a blessing serving Him here this past month. It's wonderful to see the Lord use us and others for His name. We pray the Lord blesses you this Thanksgiving and throughout the Christmas Season.

I am Thankful For....

"I thank God for my friends that helped me get here!" Amer said right before being baptized! What a blessing to see Amer follow the Lord in believers' baptism! Amer invited his family to this wonderful celebration. He shared God's blessings and then after his baptism, we had a meal with his family. It was truly a wonderful day. His Muslim family still remains upset, but others joyfully shared in this life changing event. Pray as he continues to be a light to the lost in his family.

"What do you say to Muslims when they attack the bible?" A friend asked. This woman and her children started coming to Silvery Lane after the festival. She is married to a Muslim, and she loves to witness to her family. Pray as Beth desires to help her grow in the faith. Pray as the Muslim woman that visited our church Bible study has not been able to visit much due to having family sickness.

"Will someone that is saved still make it to Paradise if they keep sinning?" my Muslim friend asked. We had some friends that we met at the festival over our house. As we laughed together while the children played, God opened their hearts to ask questions. I believe the seeds planted at the festival worked in their hearts to cause them to ask important questions. We shared the gospel and answered some of their questions. At the end, they left and complimented about how much they enjoyed themselves. We plan to have them over again soon along with other Muslim and Christian families for a Christmas party at the beginning of December.

"Can I have a candle to pray with?" A Muslim woman asked. Beth started teaching English classes to 2 Muslim women. Beth continually tries to put in important gospel references in while teaching. While by herself, this Muslim woman asked about candles, but Beth told her about the Lord Jesus, the Light of the world.

It was such a blessing going to a discipleship/church planting conference. I was able to learn from a man that church plants among Muslims and other that had experience. I was also able to see an old friend and make another friend. It was encouraging and practical. I was also able to help get some Bosnian Bibles to some Muslims that work with my brother-in-law, Raymond.

"Christ is God." Pastor Girgis taught. The church website is getting finished for our friends in Egypt. He addresses topics that Muslims have difficulty with. I have also had encounters with Muslims that debate this issue via Facebook. It is vital to use the resources God gives us for His glory.

"I thank God for saving me from a life of sin." I taught at Reformers Unanimous, a ministry that focuses on breaking the bondage of sin. A nearby church asked me to teach at this vital discipleship ministry. I shared my testimony along with a message from God's word.

Family Matters

It's been great watching our girls play basketball on their school team and to see Joshua take swimming lessons. Joshua always tries to witness to some of his friends. We also remembered my Mom's homegoing. It has been a year. We watched a video about her and shared some memories we had with her. I thank God for a mother that taught us the love of Christ with her actions and words. Beth continues working hard as we have guests over our home to be a witness and encouragement.

Think On These Things...

Our world still seems to be in shambles politically and spiritually. Try to not worry, but to speak the name of Jesus to the lost.

David, Beth, Joshua, Sandy, Emma, and Noah

that in all things He might have the preeminence. Colossians 1:18

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