

## Missionaries to the Arabs of America

Dearborn

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Dearest Friends

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## "And He that sat upon the throne said, Behold, I make all things new." Rev 21:5

What a blessing it is to be able to proclaim the name of the King of Kings and Lord of Lords! God has given us several doors of utterance and we pray for fruit to your account. Thanks for helping us along the way as we serve Him in this needy place.

## New Opportunities and Follow Up....

"Lena is starting to come around!!" Amer's wife has been cold to the gospel. She is continuing to see a change in Amer and asked him if living the Christian life was different than Islam. He said, "Of Course!" He shared about God's unconditional love which is different than the Allah of the Quran. Amer is faithfully growing in the faith and sharing his faith with others in his family. Some still fight him, but others are listening. Thank you for your prayers for him and his lost family.

"I would love to see you at our wedding!" Omar said. A little over a year ago, Omar was a Muslim. He knew something was wrong with Islam and started visiting Bible Baptist, a supporting church, to be able to win a girl's love. He is an Egyptian and saw our prayer letter and called. God let me answer his questions and lead him to Christ! Pastor followed up and told how Omar is growing in the faith. I was able to attend their wedding and witness to his sweet Muslim mother and sisters. He has also been witnessing to his father. It's wonderful to see God working to bring others to Christ!

"Your Bible is corrupt!" My Muslim friend exclaimed. Muslims attack God's word and who Christ is. I met with our friend that came to our home. I answered his questions and he attacked God's word. I simply preached the gospel, yet he is still in darkness. Pray for God to change his heart and for wisdom as we meet others. Beth has been faithfully teaching English to some Muslim ladies and she is starting to build relations with them to share God's word. Last time she shared her faith and witnessed, they changed the topic. My friend Tremaine also gives our ministry cards to Muslims he meets, and we pray to meet some this week.

"Put some short videos out and then we will promote your program." Matt and Will thoughtfully told me. Matt and Will work with Lighthouse Global Studios in Dawsonville GA. We are putting together short videos answering Muslims' questions and then will promote those in the area while putting our contact info on the videos. I'm also working together with Brother Bill to make a short commercial to invite those in the area. We want to use social media and many roads to get God's word to the masses.

"What's this?" Many asked as we handed out tracts. We are working with Silvery Lane to fill Michigan with tracts. This is a competition between 80 plus churches in MI. We've passed out many tracts with God's word and of course, to many Muslims and then invite them to our Arabic/English Bible studies we offer. It's a blessing to see our kids pass many out. Joshua passed out 26 in Wal-Mart while we got groceries!

"Eva passed away." Pastor Girgis sadly told us. Eva, Girgis' sister-in-law, had a rare form of cancer. We prayed, yet the Lord wanted her home with Him. Pastor Girgis was able to preach to hundreds of Copts and Muslims the gospel at the funeral. Seeds were planted and we pray this grows into many salvations. In Egypt, they are also seeing many Muslims request Bibles and want to meet to have their questions answered! Pastor Girgis already met with some Muslims that seek Truth! The website is working! We are planning our calendar for this year and some churches already plan to visit in the summer. We are praying for the next steps in the ministry, and we will fill you in as we work out the details. We know God is and will do amazing things for His name. It is also great growing in the language and spiritually as I take some classes on church planting. We always need to grow in grace and knowledge. Our family is also doing great as the girls enjoy basketball and the boys enjoy swimming.

## Think On These Things...

As the bombs explode in Ukraine, we pray for our friends, the Kevin Smith family. I stayed in their home in VA during deputation and he, his Ukrainian wife and 2 children are still pointing others to Christ in Ukraine, during the chaos. They simply want to follow the Lord. Pray for them and for hundreds to come to Christ during this time.

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

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