



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

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What an amazing God we serve! He always opens new opportunities to exalt Him. We know the Lord uses you all to do more for His name through your prayers and faithful support. We thank you all for all you do for Christ and for us.

Christ is the Answer

My Muslim friend asked this..." Amer told me. It seems as we witness to Muslims, they always ask deep questions. Amer continues to be a witness and they ask him as well. I let him take a shot at it and then help him along. His video testimony was once again relaunched on Youtube and after the first day nearly 100,000 watched it!! Some attacked and others encouraged him. It blesses me to see him being an active witness while still growing in the faith.

"I'm afraid I will not know the answers, but I am going to be a witness!" Our Iranian woman convert said. She has been timid to witness after her leaving Islam. When you convert, there is some type of persecution. What a great step it was for her to say, I need to tell my lost Muslim friends even if they reject me. Beth and I help her to trust the LORD and to do His will. Ilse, our neighbor that got saved also said she would like to be baptized, but she has a port for dialysis that cannot get water in it. It could be life threatening. Praying for wisdom since she wants to take steps to follow Jesus.

"That sounds wonderful, but I just don't understand it!" My young Muslim college friend said. What an amazing ministry that the Lord has given us at the Henry Ford College. The Lord has given us many doors of utterance, but 4 young Muslim men shift their schedule and make sure they meet us. It is challenging and rewarding to meet them and answer their questions. I must share many verses over and over and simply pray for the Holy Spirit to open their eyes. Some say, Why should someone else pay for my sins?" I say "Because Jesus is able, and God loves you! One young Muslim girl student said she didn't like the verse in the Quran that talks about beating your wife and she has taken tracts and John/Romans. Other Arabic speaking students like to converse, and I share the truth of Jesus! Amazing Opportunities!

"The invisible witness is always with us." Brother Mark said. This brother wrote a book on winning Muslims to the Lord and had a wonderful ministry working with Muslim refugees. We were able to visit some of my contacts and he shared some sweet principles on witnessing to Muslims. Also, my Egyptian friend Sam Thomas and wife Ruth visited us for meetings in the area. God used them mightily as our first friends in Cairo years ago. Humble servants of the King!

We continue doing our media ministry and sent out Bibles to those that request them from our website. The videos I release also receive encouraging comments as we try to help those near and far away. Pastor Girgis is starting a young people ministry and the church was filled with teens and young adults. They also had their Ladies' Meeting for the first time in a while and about 40 women came out to learn and fellowship. We thank the Lord for the churches that gave towards Pastor Girgis and his home. We still need more and if you'd like to give, Write the check to MWBM and in the notes David Gates/Pastor Girgis Fund. We also plan on handing out bags with fruits and tracts to our Muslim friends during Ramadan. We had a wonderful Easter service meal and fellowship. It was a blessing! We also look forward to many outreach events. Spring is Finally Here!!

Family Matters...

We had another health scare with Joshua when visiting the doctor, but when we went back, all was well! Praise the LORD! We have another teen in the house. Sandy turned 13! Emma did a wonderful job in her Spring Musical and Noah is also growing in so many ways. It's also been a blessing to be able to visit family in GA for Spring Break and I was able to preach a Missions Emphasis Sunday for our dear friends at Crooked Creek Baptist Pastor Jennings while down in GA.

Think On These Things...

The Muslim month of Ramadan started, and God is letting us minister to our Muslim friends. They seek God's favor and spend time with family and friends. Pray the Lord uses this time for His name, so they come to Christ as they seek truth. For the Christ
The Gates Family

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

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