

## 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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The Holy God of Heaven despises sin, yet loves the sinner. Many cannot understand what the Scripture clearly teaches, yet this is the message that we share with all around us that are clueless to Bible truth. We thank you all so much for supporting us and for staying faithful to God's word.

Blessed to Serve

"You can't know you're going to heaven." My Muslim friends said. What a blessing it was to have our Spring Festival! Hundreds of Muslims came out to participate. We worked together to share the love of Christ by actions and words. Brooke and Mattea are 2 young ladies that came from out of town to help. We passed out 10,000 door hangers and sent out 20,000 invitations by mail. Some others from local churches also helped with invitation distribution. I was then able to preach the Gospel 4 times and, we gave out Bibles and tracts. Please pray for more to be saved and to attend services.

"I learned so much today." My Muslim friend said. The Lord gave us many visitors to our Bible study after the festival. Mo, A Yemeni agnostic man came and brought his children. He used to be a Muslim, but he saw the contradictions and left. He also brought an Egyptian Coptic friend. Ella, one of our attenders, brought 2 Muslim children to the church. Also, a Muslim friend that works as a nurse came as well. Pray for these to continue visiting

and to be born again.

"I want to be baptized on my spiritual birthday!" Ella said. Ella trusted Christ about a year ago. She plans to be baptized this Sunday April 25th! She is growing in the faith and sharing truths with friends. She was a faithful Muslim, then left Islam after visiting Mecca and became an atheist, then agnostic. Now she faithfully follows Jesus and invited an agnostic ex Muslim girl we met at Henry Ford College. While working at the college, we meet several Muslims and seekers of truth. I told her about Ella that has a similar testimony and now she wants to come to church for Ella's baptism. Amazing and exciting things happen when you serve Jesus! Amer's son was engaged to a Muslim young lady, but when her father found out that Amer was Christian, he made his daughter break off the engagement. Pray for Amer's family to be saved.

"The death of Christ is not necessary." My Muslim friend candidly said. What a sad statement my friend said to Pastor Chuck Pearson from Tidewater Baptist Church. Pastor Chuck was one of my Bible College Professors. While talking to him by phone about things of the Lord, he decided to visit Dearborn to encourage me in the Lord and to see the ministry here. He was able to teach our Bible study and 2 Bible institute classes. We went to Henry Ford College, and he got firsthand experience of witnessing to Muslims. He was shocked at the statement my friend said, but they connected and will continue their discussion. Pray as my friends discuss the Lord Jesus Christ together.

We thank the Lord for the opportunity to minister to the college students. We invited them to our home and 2 came. One of the young men came twice to our home and each time he asked questions, and we simply shared the truth. While doing visits to homes, we shared the Gospel several times. Beth shared with Mark, a blind man and he listened intently and plans to come to church. Also, a young couple that were once Muslim promised to visit, but they haven't come yet. They came to the festival and were blessed by the public preaching of the Gospel. Pastor Girgis was able to purchase a home thanks to many that gave and through their money they saved. We also witness at the parks and Joshua had a basketball thrown at him and he turned around and said, "I forgive you." The Muslim teens were speechless. One man asked, why did God the Father send His son to die. I answered his question and gave him John/Romans. Pray as Crooked Creek Baptist will be here this week for a mission trip.

Family Matters

Our kids finished school. Sandy won 1st place in a State Competition for s dramatic Bible Quotation of Revelation 4-5! The girls had music concerts, and many heard the Gospel because of Joshua's witness. One of his teachers asked, "Why do you witness when the students get angry?" He told them "I don't want them to go to hell." Beth's faithful witness and discipleship of the ladies also blesses me immensely. Pray for Muslims as they celebrate the sacrifice Abraham made in place of his son. We want to share the True Sacrifice of Christ for their sins. The Gates Family

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

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