



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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We praise the Lord for working in and through us to do His work. It has been busy, but fun and productive. We appreciate you all helping us and praying for us continually.

Amazing Opportunities

"When you have Christ, He changes everything!" Pastor Chuck Pearson said. The Christ Is Messiah Conference was a huge blessing. Christ was exalted and the church was full each night! Christians, Muslims, and Ex Muslims came to be encouraged and to learn about the Christ. We started in Genesis and ended in Revelation with an overview of the Messiah in the Bible. We interviewed two Muslim Imams, and the conversation was friendly and cordial. When a Muslim lady watched the conference online, she came and saw Pastor Chuck and said, "It looks like what you believe has changed you." After responding she said, "I need that change." She has been with us every week since the conference, staying after for hours asking questions. Also, an Ex-Muslim friend that we have been trying to get to visit is now faithfully coming. We thank you all for praying and giving. God used the conference for His name! You can watch the conference at <https://www.youtube.com/@ChristIsConference/videos>

"What must I do to become a Christian?" A young Iraqi ex-Muslim girl asked. This young lady came by earlier in the year and asked for a Bible. Beth kept in touch with her and one night, she dropped into church services at Silvery Lane. At the end of the service, she insisted on talking to Pastor Staub. He took her through a Gospel tract. While I stood there and prayed. Beth held her hand and she called on the name of the Lord! She left Islam because of oppression and now she is a child of the King!

"Why would Jesus, the good prophet be punished, and sinners be set free?" Imam Elahi asked. While interviewing the Imams, they asked questions and said some things that need to be addressed. We plan to continue to promote the conference and make follow-up videos to answer basic questions Muslims ask. We are preparing the conference to be put on an Arabic/English TV station. Pray as we desire to see these opportunities for His name.

"Why can't God just forgive without a sacrifice?" Muslim College student asked. The college campus ministry has been going great. We go twice weekly and are building relationships with the students. Beth and a friend meet weekly with a young Catholic girl that seems close to salvation. I have also had faithful meetups with some young men that chat and then we share Bible truths. We know His word will not return void.

We now prepare for the Fall Festival. We are passing out 5000 invitations and will share the love of Christ by actions and words. In years past, hundreds of Muslims came out. I have the opportunity to preach at least four times to this mostly Muslim crowd. Pray! Also, the believers are growing in the faith and Pastor Girgis continues to preach and disciple the believers in Egypt. We also had visits from Brother Will Hill, missionary to Japan and Bro James Hansard, MWBM East United States field director. What an encouragement!

"Christ is worthy, we should reach the world!" I preached at Fellowship Baptist Fairmont WV. This supporting church wanted me preach their annual mission conference. The Lord used this time to encourage me and to use me to help this church with their faith promise giving. It was great seeing old friends and making new ones.

Family Matters

We celebrated Joshua's 15th Birthday and Noah's 6th Birthday! It's hard to believe, they're growing up. Joshua always has health issues, but overall, he is doing well. Sandy broke a part of her hand at school and Emma is starting a Bible study with some girls in her class and praise the Lord she got baptized! Beth stays busy ministering to the ladies.

Think On These Things...

Amid the crisis in Israel, there have been protests and people are on edge here in Dearborn. We focus on the main person, Jesus! Pray as we want to use this opportunity to reveal the Prince of Peace!

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

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