



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

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What a blessing to see the mighty hand of the Lord working in lives. Thank you all so much for your prayers and faithful support. Lives are being changed and the Gospel goes forth for His name!

Blessings in the Ministry

"Two years ago, I never thought I would be here today. Praise the Lord!" Hussein said right before being baptized! It's been a blessing to see my friend that once followed Islam, now following King Jesus. We met years ago at park ministry and he and his wife, Marwa already followed the Lord. They have been faithfully coming and we thank God for seeing them grow and taking steps of faith.

"Jesus Christ is the one that changed everything!" Ex-Muslim, Brother Ibrahim said. We were blessed to have a mini- Christ Is Conversation with this Pastor from Kosovo. This brother came in and shared his testimony and evangelism tips, as well. We also ministered together at University of Michigan in Dearborn. God let me witness to a young man that seemed shaken by our answers to his questions. From this ministry, my friend Randy invited a young college girl to the event and then we all invited her to come to our Bible Study. She came! I also plan to meet with a Syrian who left Islam when he saw the terrorism. He is searching and I pray to show Christ from His word. This is a student from Henry Ford College. These college ministries are starting to bring forth more fruit.

"I had such a great time. I plan to be back!" This Muslim College Girl said. Praise the Lord for working to see this girl come for Hussein's Baptism. We had a celebration lunch and Hussein, Marwa and Amer shared their testimonies. She was touched and moved by the events and preaching of the day. She came back the following Sunday and plans to come some more. We gave her God's word and Beth follows up with her, as well. Pray!

"I am Syrian but was raised in Venezuela." The Lord blessed when a Spanish-speaking woman came to our Bible study. Brother Luis, a Spanish-speaking friend came and interpreted while I went through the lesson about the love of God. A woman from the Netherlands that's married to a Muslim joined via video and we greeted him in Arabic. Amer and I met with them right before Ramadan and I did a Bible study and prayer with this couple, as well. What a blessing to see the Lord move and bring all these cultures together for His name.

The Lord also opened opportunities to share the ministry and preach at Faith Bible Baptist, Lake Odessa, MI (Pastor Barker) and Victory Baptist in Millbrook, AL (Pastor Byrd). Each church made me feel at home and I was honored they asked me to come in. Also, a friend, Pastor Stephen Clark of First Baptist Hazel Park MI had me preach a pastor's fellowship. It was great meeting new pastors and preaching the Word. The Christ Is Podcast has been a blessing as we continue recording. Join in the fun and subscribe www.Christis.co. I continue using different forms of social media to be a witness. We made several videos answering Muslims and showing salvation. I made them into QR Code tracts and have QR Codes on John/Romans. We know His Word won't return void. God also continues using Pastor Girgis

Family Matters

Sandy is now 14 as of March 19! Wow how time flies! Emma's team won their basketball tournament. Joshua has been sick continually with a virus. Beth continues ministering to the ladies and took classes to be certified in trauma counseling. This is greatly needed in dealing with Muslim women. Pray for her Muslim lady friend that faithfully came but hasn't been the last 2 weeks. Beth plans to meet her for coffee soon though.

Think On These Things...

The Islamic Month of Ramadan started. Christ seeks them. Also at the same time, we will celebrate Resurrection Sunday. Pray the Risen Savior shows them His power so they can be saved.

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

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