

Share your faith every day as a way of life!

HOW THE LORD USED US IN FEBRUARY OF 2013

Greetings In the Name of our Lord!

We thank you for your prayers and generous financial support. As a result, God has provided us with another incredible month of eternally productive work for His Kingdom! We completed four more MAD Live Events and one Walk thru the Bible OT seminar in February. Four more souls were added to the Kingdom this past month and hundreds more equipped to share their faith in Christ without fear. Next month we will add another state to the list of where the Lord has opened doors for us to teach - GEORGIA - #19! Praise the Lord! In terms of the eastern US, we still haven't been to Vermont, Delaware, Virginia, and West Virginia. Can you help? We have received some amazing testimonies this month, and I don't have the room to include them all. But I did want to encourage you with a few:

"Don, I just wanted to share a testimony with you. My wife and I were at your evangelism training class in Columbia SC a few weeks ago and were inspired by the whole seminar; you brought the idea of spreading the gospel to a daily level. We took some of the pocket power tracts home with us. I had one in my truck with me and happened to see a man standing beside the road with a sign that read "trying to survive". I noticed he had a cast like wrap on his arm and felt sorry for him so I stopped and gave him some money. I drove off feeling pretty good about myself, when the Lord said to me, "I want you to give him that tract and buy him a hot meal". So I did what most of us do and kept on driving, trying to justify the thought that it was just me thinking that, I drove a little more and heard the thought again, so I thought hmm, maybe it is the Lord. I decided to make a deal with God that if the guy was still standing there when I got back I would stop and ask him. I'm gone about an hour and a half and drive back and there he is, its rainy and cold (I guess I didn't expect him to be there). So I asked him if I could buy him a hot meal and he said, "that would be great". I grabbed the tract with me and we went in to the restaurant. After we ordered he had told me his story He had been homeless for a year, and last week 3 guys had jumped him outside of a homeless shelter for 3 dollars. They broke his hand and nose, it was pushed to one side and all swollen around it. I began to talk about Gods love for him, and how He had a special plan for him. I then shared the track with him and prayed with him. He was so open to hear that God loved him, and cared for him. I then asked if I could pray for his hand, I did and then he looked at it and started to move it all around and said wow, all the pain is gone, that's freaky! I can't believe it. That's freaky! God totally healed his hand right there...So I asked if I could pray for him again. I prayed for his nose, after I prayed he touched it and said, it doesn't hurt or pop, wow! He looked at it in the mirror and it was totally straight. All of the redness and swelling was gone! God totally healed his nose too! After this he was just shaking his head looking at is hand, moving it all around saying wow, I can't believe this is happening to me.. He said he was going to share the love of Jesus with everyone, and let them know that Jesus does do miracles! Praise the lord! What an awesome way to see someone touched so much, and what an opportunity to see two miracles. God is good, and loves to use us to be His hands and feet. Thanks for what you do and your ministry. May God richly bless you."

"My wife and I have had a couple opportunities to interact with waiters and give out pocket Gospel of John and My Heart Christ's Home booklets. One young man's name, Jeremiah, offered an opening to bring up the Bible and spiritual things. Another young man, Armond, who was very sanguine and talkative with all of his customers seemed to take a special liking to us. It turned out there were a number of points of connection, (he's studying electrical engineering - I'm an electrical engineer, he was born in Greece - we've lived in Turkey). We were able to give him both booklets and talk about the importance of really following Christ, not just knowing of him. He gladly received the booklets with our personalized notes to him and seemed to genuinely appreciate our exhortations.

During a hotel stay I had the opportunity to give a pocket Gospel of John to one of the cleaning staff who enthusiastically accepted it and was glad to be shown the pages that explained God's plan of salvation.

And I have now officially "run out of gas" for Christ... or at least my car has. I was headed to the men's prayer breakfast at the St. Andrews Evangelical Church missions conference, hoping to make it to my favorite gas station with the best prices in town. Well, I didn't make it, and had to walk about 1/2 mile to that gas station, buy a gallon container and gas (so much for saving money!) and 120 Carriage Drive, Wernersville, PA 19565 – 610.898.4277 – don@donsunshine.org - www.donsunshine.org

then walk the 1/2 mile back to my car. As I was approaching my car, I noticed another car stopped about 100 yards behind mine, and the driver walking towards my car. As we arrived at the same time, he told me he had also just run out of gas and asked if I could help him get gas for his car. After we got my car started and drove to the gas station for my fill-up and his purchase of another gallon, I drove him back to his car. Since we had run out of gas on the interstate, it was about a 10 minute drive to go east on I-20 in order to get back to our cars in the westbound side. During this time we made small talk and I learned a little about him. When we got to his car I waited while he put in the gas and looked for an opportunity to give him a pocket Gospel of John. His car still wouldn't start so he asked me if I would drive him to work, a GMC dealership that would be able to send a tow truck to get his car.

With this additional drive time God opened the door for me to ask the young man, Chris, if he went to church and if he knew he would spend eternity with God. He gave a "trusting in good works" response, mentioning that Revelation talks about God opening books that record our deeds. I explained how God's standard is perfect obedience and how no one can balance out on that scale, except Jesus Christ, the only one who could take our penalty and give us his righteousness. I also told him that Revelation tells us about the Book of Life that determines if a person's eternal destiny is heaven or hell, and that the only way to get his name in that book is by turning from trusting in himself (the scales balancing out in his favor by being good enough) and by transferring his trust to Christ. We obey Christ in the power of the Spirit out of gratitude for what he's done, not in our own power to try to earn heaven.

In this situation, Chris was a captive audience, and I could sense that he was not completely comfortable with what I was sharing and was probably also a little anxious about getting to work. But I know that this whole opportunity was a divine appointment orchestrated by God, and in the time I had available during the drive time to his workplace, God enabled me to share key points of the salvation message and get the Gospel of John into Chris' hands. I never made it to the prayer breakfast! I really appreciate your ministry with Make A Difference training. The refresher course this past January has helped me to become more active as a rescuer and ambassador for Christ. Keep me in your prayers as you are in mine."

"Last Friday morning 5:25am the doorbell to the parsonage rang 3 or 4 times. I stumble through the darkness to see who it is. It is a lady whose husband comes to church some but she does not. She ran out of gas and needs some help (this is the third time something like this has happened). So i put my clothes on and on the way out the door I grab one of the Gospel of John tracks we picked up from you at MAD. I get the gas can, get some gas for her and then take her to her car and fill it up. She offers to pay me but instead I ask her if she will please read this book. I say "Promise me you will read it". She promised. It was an opportunity...not one I was looking for but still God put it in my path."

MARCH SCHEDULE - WOW! THANK YOU LORD!

- March 2 Walk thru the Bible OT seminar Richfield Mennonite Church, Richfield, PA
- March 3 MAD Live Event Calvary Baptist Church Reading, PA
- March 9 MAD Live Event Tifton First United Methodist Church, Tifton, GA
- March 10 MAD Live Event Highway to Heaven Church Jacksonville, FL
- March 11-15 Minister to bikers, vendors, and anyone we connect with at Daytona Bike Week and as we travelduring this time you can get updates as to how the Lord is using us on the Don Sunshine Ministries facebook page
- March 16 MAD Live Event Port St. Lucie Bible Church, Port St. Lucie, FL
- March 17 Preach Port St. Lucie Bible Church, Port St. Lucie, FL
- March 23 MAD Live Event Community Independent Bible Church Little Meadows, PA

PRAYER REQUESTS

- For God to continue to fill our schedule and increase our support base
- For good health and safety as we travel, meet and interact with His people
- For the Holy Spirit to continue to touch hearts and lives through our ministry for Christ

Love in Christ,

Don and Cathy