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### Praise His Name!

God bless you and thank you for supporting our ministry. Please pray for **MINISTRY** at Messiah Conference in Grantham, Pennsylvania July 1-7. Please pray for **MINISTRY** in Florida July 20-27. Please pray for **MINISTRY** at Lion of Judah Messianic **CONGREGATION** in Byron, Georgia on July 28.

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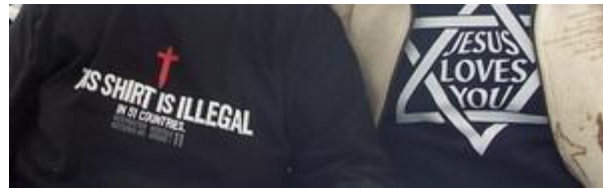


### Eddie and Lura Beckford (Arad, Israel)

Please continue to pray for **EDDIE & LURA** as they return to **ISRAEL** and look for a new place to live and for the Chess Club/Bible shop. Lura wrote: "We were at a restaurant with friends in PA when I heard beautiful Hebrew



being spoken. Of course I had to introduce myself. Pray for Ariel and his friend as they accepted a tract about the Messiah. We invited him to Arad to visit us when he returns to Israel. Eddie was wearing his Russian "Jesus loves



you" T-shirt & Ariel thought that was amusing. Mitch Triestman was with us and he was able to share his testimony and give Ariel some books! The Lord is good!"

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### Steve Zober (Orange County California)



Please continue to pray for **STEVE**. Steve requested prayer for his ministry with JOI, the Gideons, his church, two home fellowships and ministry to two family members with special needs. Steve wrote: "I was the Main speaker at the 22nd Annual Messianic Jew and Arab Christian Event and gave my testimony. Cool evening of Born Again brothers testifying of the Love of Yeshua!! Was at the Calvary Father Daughter Banquet with my daughter. We sat with a man whose wife is a Jewish believer. I was able to give our tract out. Lo and Behold the next day as I was a greeter at church I met her and was able to share with her how to share with her Jewish family. I bought a used car. I had to get a short fixed in the dashboard. It was meant to be that I went to this particular shop because the shop next door had a young Jewish man whose dad is Jewish but he never learned anything about his roots as a Jew. I engaged him in a conversation, gave him a Gideon Bible and our "Do you Know the Messiah tract". I highlighted Isaiah 53. He was reading the tract as we said good bye I gave him testimony about how I lived in Israel and came to know Jesus as my Savior. Pray for J."

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### Blasts from the Past

20 years ago, God used Gentile **CO-WORKERS** to lead me to Him and then call me to Atlanta. In 1998 God called me to Jewish Outreach, and I got involved with Atlanta Jewish life. I attended an Orthodox Jewish Singles Torah study for five years. Recently, I ran into the Torah study **RABBI** and wore my "*Jesus Loves You*" t-shirt to a Kosher restaurant and ran into him again! Please pray for him.

Several years ago, I met a Conservative **RABBI** and visited his Torah study in an office, but the **HOST** would not allow me to attend. **SOMEONE** happened to invite me to another Torah study with this same Rabbi, and I have attended on and off for many years. Recently, I ran into this Rabbi at the gym. Please pray for him.

My friend **JULIE**, who I met during the **JEWS FOR JESUS** Chicago Behold Your God campaign, came to Georgia. We had lunch at the mall with **LEE** (JOI Board Chairman) and reached out to an Orthodox Jewish **MAN**. We visited **BRENDA** (has cancer), and she introduced us to a Jewish **BELIEVER** starving for fellowship. We had dinner with **KERRY** (Jewish believer) at Kosher restaurant where dozens of Orthodox Jewish **PEOPLE** and **OTHERS** were most challenged by our "*Jesus Loves You*" t-shirts.

In 2002, my **SISTER** invited me to go on vacation with her in Palm Springs, the week before I was flying to the west coast anyway for an outreach. We visited a Thomas Kincaide Gallery, and the **CLERK** was a believer married to a Jewish **MAN**. Just as we discovered we had both been to **ISRAEL** for the first time in June 1997, the phone rang. The clerk had a surprised look on her face, and told me the call was for me! **VICTORIA**, the woman on the phone, was calling to speak with the Jews for Jesus volunteer who she thought worked at that store. Victoria wanted Gospel materials to give to her Jewish **NEIGHBORS**. I've kept in touch with Victoria, and she called recently to request more Gospel materials for her Jewish **CONTACTS**!

*"Again I ask: Did they stumble so as to fall beyond recovery? Not at all! Rather, because of their transgression, salvation has come to the Gentiles to make Israel envious. But if their transgression means riches for the world, and their loss means riches for the Gentiles, how much greater riches will their fullness bring!"-Romans 11:11-12*

## Warsaw, Poland

My **FATHER**'s mother was born in Poland, and my **MOTHER**'s father may have been as well but no one in my **FAMILY** seems to know for sure? Although I have ministered in about 26 countries, I had never been to Poland, but wanted to minister there. **AVI SNYDER**, the director of **JEWS FOR JESUS** Europe, sent me a list of **CAMPAIGNS** JFJ was doing this summer in Europe. I was so excited to see Poland on the list, prayed about it and signed up! This was a two week campaign with four full-time volunteers the first week, six the second and several local volunteers both weeks. We wore evangelistic t-shirts, distributed Gospel tracts and spoke to people in busy places around Warsaw during the European Football Championships giving us opportunity to minister to **PEOPLE** from literally all over the world! Altogether our **TEAM** distributed over 60,000 Gospel tracts, received contact information from 26

Jewish **PEOPLE** and over 100 Gentile **PEOPLE** and prayed with 11 **PEOPLE** to receive Jesus, including one Jewish woman! The Lord gave me the privilege of praying with an Israeli woman, a Polish man and a British woman to receive Him!

We partnered with **SALLY KLEIN O'CONNOR**, an American Jewish believer musician, who brought a **TEAM** over to minister. They have a ministry of reconciliation and did a tour of roses. They played music, and gave out roses with scripture to show forgiveness for the way the Jewish people of Poland were treated during World War II. At one of the concerts, dozens of people came forward during a salvation invitation!

An Egyptian **MUSLIM** asked about my t-shirt. He and his American **FRIEND** currently live in New Bern, North Carolina. I told them I had been invited to speak at a church there and visited the only synagogue in New Bern. The friend told me his church is near the synagogue and he has lots of Jewish **FRIENDS**. I suggested he take a picture of my "*Jews for Jesus*" t-shirt and show it to his friends, and he was most happy to! On our day off (ha, ha) three of us went to the Great Warsaw Synagogue area and counted 20 Jewish **PEOPLE** (mostly tourists) we had an opportunity to share with. We visited the Jewish club and the leader was most bothered by our beliefs as he claimed he used to be a Christian Evangelist? There was a Jewish couple from Atlanta, and she accepted one of my tracts. There was a falafel stand nearby and we shared with the Israeli owner.



Warsaw, Poland

## New Jersey State Fair

I had a **FAMILY** wedding to go to in New York a week before going to the Messiah Conference in Pennsylvania. My friend **ROBERT SPECTER** just happened to be organizing a **ROCK OF ISRAEL** Outreach at the New Jersey State Fair in between. He sells Judaica at State Fairs in Jewish areas which attract many Jewish **PEOPLE** we can then share with. He has been selling our "*I Love Israel*" t-shirts and now had us make him "*Jesus is the Rock of Israel*" t-shirts which he also displays/sells.

In between working with Rock of Israel, I visited the **GROUP** from New York who found our website and distribute our "*Jesus Loves You*" t-shirts and Gospel tracts. We visited Orthodox Jewish areas and challenged people with our t-shirts and distributed some tracts. I visited **FAMILY**, a High School Classmate's **BAND** and several Jewish vendors in New York City and Brooklyn who were most challenged by my t-shirt! I went to a new wholesale contact in the Borough Park (Ultra Orthodox) neighborhood of Brooklyn. When I went up to the showroom, several Ultra Orthodox were quite surprised by my t-shirt and their mouths literally fell open!



New Jersey State Fair

Many Jewish people were challenged by our "Products of Israel" booth at the New Jersey State Fair. While at the booth, I shared with a group of Orthodox Yeshiva students from Toronto, Canada. A Catholic man came over with a Jewish man who claimed to be a Buddhist (JewBu). They said they had just been talking about all kinds of spiritual things. The Jewish man said he was open to spiritual things, allowed me to share for several minutes and accepted several Gospel materials while his Catholic friend stood there and smiled from ear to ear! One day we set up a flea market booth in the same parking lot as the fair. Many other Jewish people and others were challenged. I had the privilege of praying with a Spanish Catholic **MAN** to receive Jesus!

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