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Newsletter

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Praise His Name!

God bless you and thank you for supporting our ministry. Please pray for **BOLDED** items. **MINISTRY** at the **JOHNNY HUNT MENS CONFERENCE** February 1-2 and 8-9 in Woodstock, Georgia. **MINISTRY** in Southern California and Las Vegas, Nevada February 14 through March 4.

Sincerely,

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Eddie and Lura Beckford (Arad, Israel)

LURA wrote: "Shalom Friends & Family! Your prayers are effective! Eddie has received the status of permanent residency despite the fact the



Interior Ministry informed the Judge they are investigating my citizenship. The Judge gave them a limit of one year for the investigation and then Eddie will be on track for citizenship, which should have been automatically given 10 years ago. The Judge was very annoyed with the Ministry dragging their feet and stalling for so many years. Praise the Lord for a righteous decision! Thanks for praying!



The Haredim (ultra-orthodox) have stopped demonstrating in front of the believers' houses. Instead they are pursuing other avenues of harassment, such as, visits from city inspectors on various complaints from anonymous sources. I even received a visit and a letter accusing me of illegal building without proper permits. When I pointed out that we did not own the building and were not building anything, the visit was followed up by a letter threatening legal action for my "illegal building". So I sent a registered letter refuting the charges and asking if we received the letter because we are Christians. We shall see what transpires next. The occasional physical harassment of believers still occurs now and then, especially as we walk around the city. It's not over, it has just taken another path.

Both the Russian and the Hebrew Congregations meet in our house on different days. It's a real blessing for us, plus Matzah really loves the children. There is no need to haul chairs back and forth to the park, and no need to be concerned about the weather since they are meeting in our house. The Hebrew Congregation has signed a lease for a building, but they need permission from the city to use it as a congregational meeting place.

As finances permit, we are slowly repairing things in the house: There is so much to do - if anyone is handy with painting, carpentry, gardening, computers, office work, etc., please consider coming to Israel to help out.

One of the believers has been a huge help/blessing to us - pray that we are able to pay him for his work (he has a family) & buy supplies for the improvements.

A pastor & his wife from Holland sent Russian & Arabic calendars to us. We have enjoyed passing them out to unbelievers. As we look for supplies and run errands, the Lord sets up Divine Appointments for us - it's so enjoyable to meet people and be able to talk with them about the Lord. The Calendars are a wonderful way to open a dialogue! We are also distributing Bibles & of course, looking for volunteers to help with that!

Once a week we are having chess tournaments for those who want to come. Once a week, Eddie takes a team of volunteers to Sderot to help minister there with humanitarian work as well as the Good News of Yeshua. We have a lending library in our house. We are helping to support the congregation in whatever way we are able. We are using the van to pick up the young people for their weekly meetings and take them home afterwards.

There is so much we are not able to share because of the sensitive situation here; I wish

I could share the testimonies of the people, but we do not want to make them a target of persecution!

One thing is sure - we do need your prayers and support, in whatever form the Lord leads you to do."

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Please pray for STEVE as he ministers in Southern California.

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"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

Atlanta Gift Show

We have been buying and selling our evangelistic shirts, Jesus items, scripture jewelry and Judaica in both secular and non-secular venues to be a witness, equip the saints and raise funds for our ministry. As a result, we have been able to encounter scores of Jewish PEOPLE and OTHERS we would not have encountered otherwise!

The Atlanta Gift Show is one of the largest gift shows in the world and thousands come from all over the world! Many business owners, salespeople and buyers are Jewish! As a registered buyer for our ministry, I am able to attend these shows as well as visit showrooms when there are no shows.

The Atlanta Gift Show is so large it takes several days to walk around and visit all of the permanent and temporary show rooms in various buildings in downtown

Atlanta. I wore my "Jesus Loves You" t-shirt and tried to visit as many showrooms as possible during the weeklong Gift Show and had numerous witnessing encounters! Almost everyone asks for a business card when you visit their showrooms. I was most happy to give them my contact information which just happened to be on the back of a Gospel tract!

At least five Jewish people stopped me because of my t-shirt and wanted to know why I believe in Jesus! One Canadian Jewish man asked to take a picture of my shirt and wanted to buy one! In one showroom, a Jewish salesman from Boston was curious about my shirt because he and his wife attend a Unitarian church. One Jewish salesman from Brooklyn was not interested in Jesus, but he was most surprised when I told him I lived on East 24th Street between J and K because he lives on the next block between J and K!

Around Atlanta

While working out at the gym, I couldn't help but hear the two MEN next to me speaking in Hebrew! Of course they were Israeli, and I made sure to share with them as well as their four Iranian Muslim FRIENDS!

LEE and I still try to meet for lunch every Thursday at the mall when I am in town. There are almost always new ISRAELIS to be shared with as well as the many Jewish PEOPLE and OTHERS shopping at the mall. Thank you for praying for Rabbi YOSSI. I ran into him yet again, but he does his best to ignore me.

While wearing an "I Love Yeshua" t-shirt at a restaurant, a WOMAN called me over to her table. It turns out she has been attending a Jewish roots home group. As we spoke the WOMAN sitting directly behind the woman who called me over joined our conversation. It turns out the second woman is a Jewish pre-believer, and we were able to share with her!

As I drive around my very Jewish neighborhood, I can't help but notice PEOPLE who are challenged by our ministry van! While coming out of the gym one time, I saw a MAN taking pictures of our van!

Ministry Partners

Praise God for a MOTHER & SON Jewish believers who made t-shirts and stamped envelopes. Praise God for a retired MAN who put labels on over 20,000 of our Gospel tracts that had arrived with the wrong address, but the printer gave to us for free! Pray for a female truck DRIVER who requested a box of Gospel tracts to distribute all over the East Coast and Texas! Pray for a MAN who found one of our Gospel tracts in Forest Hills, New York and keeps requesting more to give out! Pray for a Pakistani PASTOR who requested "Jesus Loves You" t-shirts for his CONGREGATION in Pakistan! Pray for SHELLEY (Jewish believer) who requested "Jesus Loves You" t-shirts for a TEAM going to minister at the Mardi Gras in New Orleans. Pray for ROBERT SPECTER (Jewish believer) who we supply with "Jesus is the Rock of Israel" t-shirts and Judaica for his ROCK OF ISRAEL OUTREACHES at Florida State Fairs this month.

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