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### Steve Kaplan (Atlanta, Georgia)

Praise His Name! God bless you and thank you for supporting our ministry! Please pray for **BOLDED** items in this newsletter.

Please pray for our **MINISTRY TEAM** on mission in Athlone, Ireland from March 10 to 19.

Four of us from First Baptist Woodstock will be joining a larger team reaching out through street evangelism and at the St. Patricks Day Parade.

Sincerely,

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**Woodstock, Georgia**

We had ministry tables at the Johnny Hunt Mens **CONFERENCE** which is held annually at my home **CHURCH! PEOPLE** come from all over the Southeast, and we answered questions about reaching Jewish **PEOPLE** as well as equip people with tracts, evangelistic shirts, hats and other items.

### **Irvine, California**

We had ministry tables at the Messianic Jewish Alliance of America's Southwest Regional **CONFERENCE** and equipped **PEOPLE** with evangelistic shirts, hats and other items. My **SISTER** drove me from the airport, and I saw her new apartment. While at the conference, I shared with three different Jewish **PEOPLE** who just happened to be staying at the conference hotel and walked by our ministry tables!

### **Las Vegas, Nevada**

I walked around several different trade shows wearing my "**Jesus Loves You**" Jewish star t-shirt. There are so many Jewish people either selling or buying at these shows a Kosher food stand was set up at the show. Many Jewish **PEOPLE** and **OTHERS** asked about my t-shirt and let me share!

My friend **MICHAEL**, also a Jewish believer in Jesus, came to Atlanta recently for a trade show. We met for lunch and prayed for Michael's Israeli **BOSS**. Not only was Michael in Las Vegas for one of these trade shows, but he happened to be staying at the same hotel as me. Michael invited me to visit him at his booth. I prayed about the visit, and decided to go at the end of the day.

It turns out, Michael shared with his boss the night before, and his boss happened to see my t-shirt the next morning. When I finally got to Michael's booth, his boss was quite amazed to see me stop as he had been thinking about the t-shirt and wanted to know my beliefs!

As I walked back to the hotel, an Orthodox Jewish **MAN** (I didn't know) asked why I wasn't in Atlanta? He apparently remembered seeing my t-shirt at a kosher restaurant in Atlanta 10 years ago!

Michael and I went for dinner and shared with the Jewish **MAN** and his **WIFE** who were sitting next to us. After they left, an Israeli **MAN** sat down, and we shared with him as well!

I brought 30 Hebrew "Nicky Cruz" testimony books to give out to **ISRAELIS**. Three Jewish believers took six books to give to Israelis they were already witnessing to, and I gave the other 24 to Israelis at two different malls and a Kosher restaurant I ate at.

I distributed Gospel tracts at the University of Las Vegas, visited several **FRIENDS**, shared testimony at three different **CONGREGATIONS** and equipped people with evangelistic shirts, hats and other items.

## Tucson, Arizona

My **FRIENDS** serve on the mission board at their **CONGREGATION**, which meets both on Saturday and Sunday, and I have been accepted as an ambassador for their missions program. The congregation likes to have their ambassadors visit, so I shared testimony and equipped people with evangelistic shirts, hats and other items.

I had stopped by this congregation many years ago, before I even knew my friends or they were even members there, and gave away "**Jesus Loves You**" t-shirts which some people still had!

While in Tucson, we visited and prayed over the Jewish Center, distributed Gospel tracts at the University of Arizona, shared with **ISRAELIS** at a mall and showed off our t-shirts at a kosher restaurant!


*"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*



## Eddie and Lura Beckford (Arad, Israel)

**Lura wrote:** "Eddie is handling things in Israel while Lura is in the USA for 2 weeks taking care of renewing her driver's license and other things.

Pray for traveling mercies for both of us: traffic in Israel is erratic at best, and Lura is

 contending with the unpredictable weather along the east coast.

The house in Israel is functioning more and more as a Community Center as it contains a lending library for believers, and Bible Studies, Men's meetings and the young people are using it for various events, etc. We praise the Lord for the ability to lend support to the believers in the Land!

Eddie is continuing to distribute Bibles wherever he is able along with the help of a recently baptized man in Arad! The Lord is working and we are happy to be of service!"

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**Steve Zober**  
**(Orange County, California)**

Steve wrote: "Jim Melnick has invited me to part of the Lausanne International Messianic Conference that has been held for many years. I will attend the meeting in following year since it is short notice for this up and coming meeting.

Jim completed an in depth interview of me concerning my experience as a Chassidic Jew with Breslev and will be putting it in a complete report with the intention of reaching out to the Breslev as well as other Chassidic groups.

I ask for prayer wisdom and strength as I minister to several disabled family members with numerous issues such as government assistance, caregiver hiring, medications and doctor consultations.

I continue to be busy in several ministries: Jewish Evangelism, Creation Science, Gideons, ushering at my church and preparing now before long for Messianic Passovers.

Since my commitment to so many various areas of service, we need to pray whether I should be just considered a volunteer with Jewish Outreach International, a very prestigious and effective ministry. I have not established a support group or team for the work with JOI. I have enjoyed serving alongside Steven B. Kaplan."

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