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Praise Report



Shalom from Los Angeles, California (AKA Gomorrah),

I thank God every day for all of you that are praying for me and my Ministry Team and sponsoring us to continue boldly lifting up the name of JESUS to both Jew and Gentile in the Los Angeles area.



Cyril doing a Passover Presentation

As my season of Passover Presentations in churches comes to a close, my Ministry Team and I are preparing spiritually and physically for a powerful season of ministry at Venice Beach. The months of May through September are the busiest times of the year at Venice Beach attracting thousands of people from all over the world, including many Israelis, and we want to make sure to be there to point them to the Lord Jesus. For those of you who would like me to come visit your churches next year for a Passover Presentation, make sure to book it soon, as my schedule is already filling up.

One of our most faithful members of our Venice Beach Ministry Team is fellow Jewish believer in Jesus, Arthur Perles. Arthur is a seasoned spiritual warrior who calls on the Lord Jesus and blows his shofar (rams' horn) with me all day long to scatter the enemy as we minister at Venice Beach. It is a joy to see how the Lord brings so many people to Arthur when he is at our Free Bibles table; they all get the gospel, and many of them enter God's Kingdom with joy and thanksgiving.

Arthur Perles's Testimony

Arthur Perles is a New York Jew who became hungry to know the truth and the power of God that was talked about in the Synagogue but not demonstrated. Not finding it there, he found himself on a search for truth, which took him through the hippie lifestyle of the 1960's smoking marijuana, taking LSD and other hallucinogenic drugs. After graduating college with a B.A. degree in psychology in 1970, and still frustrated and empty, he became involved in Transcendental Meditation, yoga, and other Eastern Religions. While hitch hiking with the intention of going to Tucson, Arizona for the purpose of delving deeper into higher levels of meditation and yoga, three Christian Gentiles made Arthur jealous for Jesus as they shared the gospel with him. They described passionately how Jesus changed their lives and delivered them from similar hopeless lifestyles. As Arthur heard the message and read what Jesus says in John 14:6, *"I'm the way the truth and the life . No man comes to the Father except through me."* His heart was pierced by the Holy Spirit. Two days later Arthur received Jesus as his Lord and Savior. He was immediately set free from the drugs and Eastern religion by the power of God. The search for truth was over as he came to know Jesus as his Lord and Savior. Since that time, Arthur and his wife Donna, of forty-three years, have pastored churches and been involved in ministry all over the world. I thank God that He brought Arthur to be a part of our Ministry Team at Venice Beach.



Cyril and Arthur at Venice Beach with shofars



The picture on the left is Arthur with his shofar at Venice Beach next to a local Jew named Marc that he just led to the Lord. Marc would stop by many times to wrestle with Arthur about the person of Jesus until finally, the veil came down that blinded him and he came home to Jesus.

In my ministry to the local synagogues, we almost had a mutiny in the New Testament class that I have been participating in with almost two dozen secular Reformed Jews. All these Jews declared before the study that no matter what they read in the New Testament; they would not believe in Jesus. Well, it looks like the Word of God is starting to stir them up and they are getting uncomfortable, because just as we were about to finish the book of Luke, several of the participants talked about jumping ship. It just so happens that the end of the Book of Luke describes how the Jews cried out for the death of Jesus. These passages are very stigmatizing for the Jewish people and have been the cause of much persecution, even from some so called "Christians" when labeled as "Christ killers". Thankfully, after a short discussion and some help from above, we decided that the class will continue at least through the Book of Acts. Please pray for favor and wisdom as I continue to point my Jewish people to their Messiah.

It has now been almost two years since I started serving with JEWISH OUTREACH INTERNATIONAL, and the Lord has surpassed all my expectations. My goal is to have 100 individuals or churches sponsoring me \$50 or more a month, and last month we hit 74% of this goal. Hitting the goal of 100 sponsors will allow me and my ministry team to devote 80% of our time to direct evangelism to the tens of thousands of people we have access to in Southern California through my Venice Beach Outreach and my ministry in the synagogues. If you are not already sponsoring me, please pray about jumping on board in 2021. Time is short, and the workers are few--especially in Los Angeles, California. **Make sure I have your current email and phone number so that we can stay in touch.** 😊

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