

AMMI Mission Report - July 2011
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**"Proclaim Liberty throughout all the land unto all the inhabitants thereof,"
Leviticus 25:10 - The Scripture on The Liberty Bell**

Report on Witnessing Experiences on July 2nd & 4th

Blessed be the God of Israel who binds the devils and loosens our tongues to proclaim the Holy Gospel of Messiah Jesus and the **Liberty** He brings to all who believe.

On July 2nd and 4th I distributed four-hundred July 4th Gospel tracts designed by Jackie Elkin (see attachment) at the site of the original July 4th Independence Day celebration, Independence Hall and the Liberty Bell. On July 2nd I joined several brothers and preached God's word to people waiting in line at the Liberty Bell Pavilion (see picture below)

The line of people waiting to get into see the Liberty Bell is usually 125 feet long. I walked along with the line on the grassy part of the mall, which is about 20 feet from the line. As the people slowly moved toward the pavilion entrance, I proclaimed biblical Gospel sound bites. As I looked in the eyes of people, I could see some people listening, while others mocked what was being said.



Grassy Area and People Waiting to See



Independence Hall



Liberty Bell

I met an evangelist who was preaching on July 4th near the Liberty Bell Pavilion. I learned that he had taken the Federal government to court in order to use his First Amendment right to use amplification at a moderate level at this location. He won the case. I have a battery-powered megaphone that I used in the past for street preaching. With God's help, I will resume this type of ministry at the Independence Mall and Liberty Bell locations, and at a corner of 17th and Chestnut in downtown Philadelphia. At the 17th St. location, many Jewish and Gentile professional people work. I am looking for ministry partners, who will hand out tracts, engage people in conversations, and try to obtain contacts, as I preach the Word. Those who feel led can also take a turn preaching God's word. The megaphone pictured below is similar to mine.



On July 4th there was a Tea Party rally on the National Independence Mall. As I gave out tracts I met a Catholic man who had become skeptical about the validity of the Bible. I challenged his unbelief and offered to send him literature. He gave me his contact information. I checked the address he gave me online and it is correct. Pray for Dale K. to read the book I sent him, and for God to give Dale, the grace to believe in Jesus.

I continued speaking to people at the Tea Party rally. I asked them who did they believe Jesus is. Several indicated they were believers. I encouraged them, and other people who were not Christians, to understand good leadership is a blessing from God. In addition, that spiritual faith in Jesus was the basis for receiving God's blessing.

I also met Myron, a Jewish man who rejects that Jesus is the Messiah. I challenged him to consider that Rabbinical Judaism is bloodless and is not observing the Torah's way of forgiveness of sin. Jesus is now our blood sacrifice. Pray he will be touched by God's Spirit to awake from his spiritual blindness and see the resurrected Lord. I also spoke to a Tea Party leader, who is Jewish. While he didn't agree with me regarding Jesus, he appreciated my forthrightness in identifying my faith. Pray for this man.

On July 16, Dan Levy a Jewish Christian, and Bob Burnette joined me at the Liberty Bell to hand out tracts and preach the Gospel. This time I used the battery powered megaphone. Using the megaphone was very helpful to clearly getting out God's Word. "Faith comes by hearing, and hearing the Word of Jesus."



Dan Passing Out Tracts



Man on Right Reading AMMI Tract



Our Friend Bob Preaching God's Word

Preaching at two retirement homes

Once a month I'll be preaching at the Willow Lake Retirement Home in Willow Grove, PA and also once every other month at the Wesleyan Enhanced Living Center in Hatboro, PA. Both of these places have Jewish residents, and Jewish activity directors. I have already had the opportunity to witness to one of the directors. She was curious about why I would believe in Jesus. Pray for additional opportunities to witness to her and the other director. Pray that the sermons would be helpful to believers and convicting to the unsaved.

Car Wash Evangelism



I organized a month of free car washes in July at my home church, Calvary Presbyterian (PCA) in Willow Grove, PA. We had about 35 volunteers help. People were astonished that we would wash their car absolutely free. We explained that we were doing this as an expression of thankfulness for the free-gift of salvation we have received through faith in Jesus and the celebration of our church's 75th anniversary. We gave each person a prayer request card to fill out, information about Calvary, an invitation to bring their child to our July VBS, and a Gospel tract, or the Gospel of John.. We averaged about 21 cars for each two-hour wash session. The Lord blessed

with many opportunities to talk to people as they waited in line, and sometimes I prayed with them over important issues in their lives. A Jewish woman named Faith came to three of the car washes. I was able to give her bits of my testimony each time, and Gospel material oriented for Jewish people. Please pray for her and other people to whom we ministered. We also received about twenty-five filled out prayer cards which will be typed up and prayed for at a special Sunday School class. The volunteers felt blessed to be part of this servant evangelism outreach.



Waiting for Free Car Wash



A Few of the Volunteers Who Helped

Witnessing to Hal

I visited Hal L. today. He is a 92 years old Jewish man. While he has many physical problems, he is very sharp intellectually. Today, I challenged him to understand his need to repent before a Holy and righteous God. He is a seeker but also a skeptic. Our discussion ranged from the God ordained survival of the Jewish people (see Jer. 31:35-37) to the Old Testament teaching on heaven and hell (see Daniel 12:1-3). When he read Daniel 12:2 he seemed startled by it and repeated the verse. Daniel 12:2 "Multitudes who sleep in the dust of the earth will awake: some to everlasting life, others to shame and everlasting contempt." Pray the fear of the Lord (Pr. 1:7) will come upon Hal. We concluded our visit with Hal reading from his Jewish Bible Isaiah 52:13 - 53:12. At that point Hal became sleepy and it was time to end the witnessing visit. Please continue to pray for Hal.

Awesome Testimony Regarding God's Answer to Our Prayers for the Sale of Our Home!

In June of 2010, we moved to a smaller one story home to lower our expenses and make

life easier for Jackie. It took us many months to get our old home ready for sale. In October of last year, we began to market it. At first, we received very low offers. Then we received a contingency offer that we accepted. This offer allowed us to continue to market our home while the buyer was trying to sell their home. If we received a better offer, the first buyer had 72 hours to obtain a mortgage or in another way consummate the deal. The buyer wanted a home inspection on our 105 year old home, and paid for additional inspections by a plumber and electrician. He requested \$18,000 in repairs which we reduced to \$5,000. With this concession, the buyer's offer was \$33,000 below what was already a reduced asking price. While we were not thrilled with the offer, it was a decent enough offer for us to accept it.



Our Old Home Where We Lived for 29 Years

However, the buyer was not able to sell their home even after we gave them an extension. I had been praying generally for God to help us conclude the deal and sell the house. It was costing us double taxes, utilities, and a large home equity credit line payment. In mid-May, I became more specific in my prayers. I prayed for a better offer, for the buyer to skip the housing inspection, and for a buyer who had no problematic contingences. THE NEXT DAY WE RECEIVED TWO OFFERS WHICH MET THIS PRAYER REQUEST! One of the potential buyers really wanted the home, so they raised their offer \$20,000 and met our asking price. This additional funds will go towards our small retirement fund.

We had settlement on June 27th, only thirty-five days after excepting their offer. Praise the Lord! I've been telling both believers and unbelievers about this glorious and practical answer to prayer. It has been a great way to praise the Lord and explain the Gospel to the unsaved.

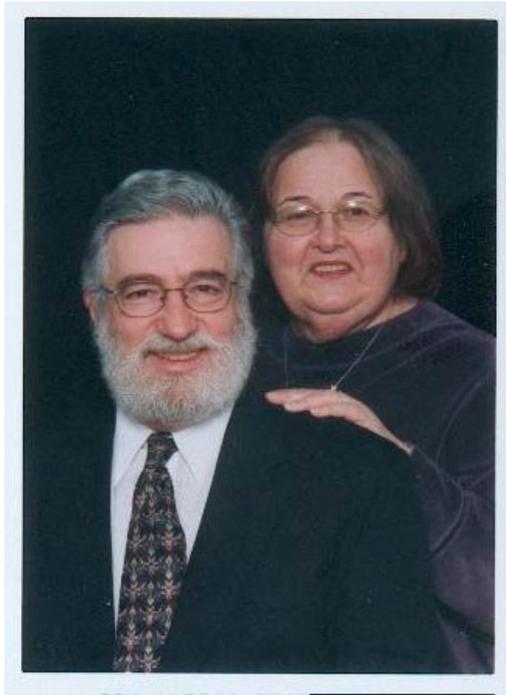
Financial need - Ron's Salary Reduced By One-Third

Because of AMMI reduced income over the last 3 years, I've taken a one-third salary reduction so far in 2011. Pray about helping AMMI financially. I am excited about the growing opportunities to witness and serve the Lord, and would like to concentrate on ministry efforts instead of time consuming fund raising efforts. Praise the Lord, one of AMMI's supporting churches recently raised our support \$100 a month. Pray more individuals and churches will support AMMI.

Jackie's Health

Jackie thanks everyone for prayers and cards, and helpful meals from our local church. She is slowly healing. Her wounds still have to be changed daily. There are also issues with an irregular heartbeat, a need to get excess fluid out of her body, and a problem with low platelets. Please continue to pray for her.

To those who support and pray for us, thank you. For those who take the time to read our mission reports, thank you.



Sincerely yours,

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Attachments

AMMI Ministry Track



HAVE PICNICS



EAT, EAT, EAT

AND

ALWAYS END THE CELEBRATION
WITH A DISPLAY OF
FIREWORKS



THAT LIGHT UP
THE NIGHT SKY

WHEN THE PARTY IS OVER
SOME OF US
STILL FEEL OPPRESSED



WE ARE SEPARATED FROM

GOD

(YOU SHOULD PARDON THE EXPRESSION)

BECAUSE WE ARE
UNDER THE TYRANNY OF

SIN

THE HEBREW PROPHET EZEKIEL WROTE

"THE SOUL THAT SINS
SHALL DIE"

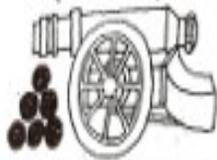
(EZEKIEL 18:4)

AND

EVEN THE GREAT KING DAVID SAID
"MY SIN IS EVER BEFORE ME"

(PSALMS 51:3)

BUT
MESSIAH JESUS
SAID, CONCERNING BONDAGE TO SIN
"YOU SHALL KNOW THE TRUTH
AND THE TRUTH
SHALL MAKE YOU FREE"
(JOHN 8:32)



IF YOU YEARN FOR
FREEDOM
THERE IS
ONE
WHO PROMISES
HE WILL SWALLOW UP DEATH
IN
VICTORY
(ISAIAH 25:8)

GOD'S WORD ASSURES US
IF MESSIAH JESUS
SETS YOU FREE
YOU SHALL BE FREE
INDEED
(JOHN 8:36)

FIND OUT HOW YOU CAN
DECLARE
YOUR
INDEPENDENCE



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ON JULY 4

*We the people
commemorate
the adoption of
the Declaration
of Independence*



AND AMERICA CELEBRATES

FREEDOM

FROM
**TYRANNY AND
OPPRESSION**

