



I write this with gratitude in my heart for what God is doing in and through us all, here at GGM. Our driving factor at Gospel of God Ministries is to get people out of their comfort zone to proclaim the Gospel to see lives transformed. The past six months have proven to be fruitful because we remain true to the Word and the power of the Gospel message. God's message will continue to grow and flourish as long as we remain faithful to speak the Gospel message and love people well.

We are now halfway through this year. The older I get, the faster time ticks by. You really begin to understand that life is truly just a vapor. As I watch the influence of this ministry grow, I am humbled by what God is doing. We have had 79 teams going out in cities across North Carolina and America sharing the Gospel of Jesus Christ. Because of faithful messengers of the Gospel standing in front of death camps, the lives of at least 10 babies have been saved.

Over 65,000 people have heard the Gospel of Jesus Christ in cities all over America. We have handed out 21,471 gospel tracts that give the truth of the Gospel. 50 Bibles have been given out, giving the soul nourishing Word of God to poor lost souls. We have had conversations with more than 300 lost people - some have belonged to cults like Mormonism and Jehovah's Witnesses, others have been self-proclaimed atheists, and some have belonged to other religions such as

Islam and Buddhism.

One gentleman made a profession of faith in Jesus Christ. As always, please pray that he would bear fruit proving that his salvation is genuine. Eighteen men have been trained on how to be effective open air preachers who properly handle conversations and the Word of God. Two curriculums that will serve as tools to train the church have been written. One curriculum is to help the layperson become effective in sharing their faith. The other is for training the open air Evangelist. Both are in the process of being copyrighted.

There are more training events planned this year in South Carolina, online, and in London. If you'd like more information about any of these trainings, please contact me (info on the back).

We have some really big trips planned for the rest of the year and would love to have your prayer support and financing. You will find these events under the prayer points. Thank you for making all we do possible for the sake of the Lamb who was slain.

We hope you enjoy this newsletter. Feel free to share it with your prayer room and friends who would be encouraged by the content. Also, visit our web page, check out the 'tracts' page. Pick up tracts, training material, t-shirts and more which we make available for a suggested donation.

Go proclaim the Gospel to see lives transformed!

Every Friday night for the last two years, a team of evangelists has hit the streets of downtown Raleigh, taking the Gospel to people who might otherwise never set foot in a church.

I happen to be one of the super blessed individuals that get to participate with them on a regular basis. On the First Friday of June, a group of the regular Friday-night evangelists were plowing and fishing as is customary.

On that particular night, I had been talking with a young atheist, Donovan, for about ten minutes when a young woman named Andraya approached us and asked what we were talking about. I explained that we were talking about a subject that makes many people angry and uncomfortable. I asked her if she was sure that she really wanted to enter into our conversation. She said yes, so I told her “We are talking about Yahweh, the God of Israel and His Messiah ,Jesus”. Much to my surprise she responded enthusiastically, saying “Great! I believe in Yahweh and Jesus Christ.”

She then shared something that was truly encouraging. She explained that she had been there, on that same corner, a year before, leaning up against the building. Even though she was drunk, she was listening to the preaching. She became convicted of her sin. A man and his wife came up to her and they dialogued with her.

Andraya told me that the preaching and the conversation that night were the catalysts that started her spiritual journey to find out who God is. About eight months later she repented, believed in Christ and became born again. She told me that she was just recently baptized and is now being disciplined at a Gospel-centered church in Cary, NC.

We praise God for moving on Andraya's heart that night, and thank Him for the many opportunities that we have to share the Gospel on Friday nights in downtown Raleigh.



True Independence

The young man in the picture, Tarik, was in downtown Raleigh on July 4th when he heard the preaching and stopped to find out what was going on.

I could see that he was listening, so I started a conversation with him to get a feel for where he was spiritually.

As we spoke, the Lord began to transform his heart by the truth of His Word. Tarik gave me the opportunity to explain the Gospel to him and he became convicted of his sins against a Holy and Just God.

He prayed a prayer of repentance and placed his faith in Jesus.

Please join us in praying that Tarik would bear fruit proving his repentance was genuine.

On May 25, I joined Gospel of God Ministry and Sports Fan Outreach International for a three-day street evangelism event in Charlotte, NC to celebrate the NASCAR Coca-Cola 600 race. Attendance was large, and the people attending did not appear to be distracted by a schedule. It was primarily host for food vendors and merchants, matching the description in Acts 17:17 where Paul, “reasoned in the synagogue with the Jews and the devout persons, and in the marketplace every day with those who happened to be there.”

At Speed Street I saw the Word of God come alive before my eyes. The people in modern-day Charlotte are no different than those in the first century. Unbelief back then is no different than today; it is still a heart issue, and the Word of God is the remedy. Hebrews 4:12 says, “the word of God is alive and active. Sharper than any double-edged sword, it penetrates even to dividing soul and spirit, joints and marrow; it judges the thoughts and attitudes of the heart.” The Word elicits reaction.

As I handed a tract to a young lady, she expressed to me her belief in reincarnation and in her own “goodness” to provide the positive transition into the next life as she moves toward nirvana. I quoted Romans 3:10, “None is righteous (good), no, not one”, and her demeanor immediately changed. She quickly changed the subject, thanked me for sharing my “religion” with her, and disappeared into the crowd. This happened over and over again as people were being confronted by the Word of God. They respond by changing the subject, with mockery, or walking away. Few were willing to confront their unbelief. Unbelief is an issue of the heart not intellect.

I also saw the Word of God impacting believers like myself. I have never preached before, so when it was my turn, I decided to stand up and read directly from the Scriptures. I chose to read from Ephesians 2: the Apostle Paul shows who and what we were before we came to Christ. He shows us how the Gospel transformed us. I was nearly overcome by emotion. I saw the Gospel in a new light. I have read Ephesians before, but now I caught a glimpse of the power of the Gospel to change lives. The biblical text told the crowd we are dead in trespasses and sins. We are all following the world and blind to spiritual reality. We are all children of wrath BUT GOD (emphasis mine) came to our rescue.

I am sure many in the crowd thought my “preaching” was folly but then, “the foolishness of God is wiser than men, and the weakness of God is stronger than men” (1 Corinthians 1:25).

This same Word brought encouragement and comfort to

our fellow Christian brothers and sisters in Charlotte. It was a delight to hear from a few believers who expressed their gratitude that the Word was preached in their city. As the Apostle Paul expressed in 1 Corinthians 1:18, “For the word of the cross is folly to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God.”



Finally, I have come to realize God uses people to evangelize one another because His Word affects both the hearer and those proclaiming it. He could have quite effectively used rocks to send forth His message, and in some ways it probably would have been easier. Rocks aren't stubborn. Rocks aren't disobedient. Rocks are easier to move from one place to another. Rocks don't whine, make excuses, and do sinful things, but He chose to use people like us.

After the death of Stephen in Acts 8:4 we read, “Now those who scattered went about preaching the Word.” Who was it that went out to preach God’s Word? The Apostles? No, they remained in Jerusalem. Those preachers were ordinary people who obeyed the Holy Spirit and told everyone they met about Jesus. No college degree required, no seminary needed, no special gift necessary, just faithfulness and willing to be a fool for Christ. Being a fool for Christ means we do our best to present the Gospel to all “with gentleness and respect” (1 Peter 2:15), and to “present yourself to God as one approved, a worker who has no need to be ashamed, rightly handling the word of truth” (2 Timothy 2:15). Those early Christians were ordinary people who loved Jesus, ordinary people like you and me.



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to Transform Lives

Prayer Requests

- Continue to pray for unity of the leadership team and the Board.
- Pray for our ministry to college campuses as school starts back in August.
- Pray that our curriculum and tracts would bear much kingdom fruit.
- Pray that we would continue to preach a clear, biblical Gospel.

Technological Updates New App and Instagram

We've been working on it for some time now, and are pleased to finally announce that we have a new app!

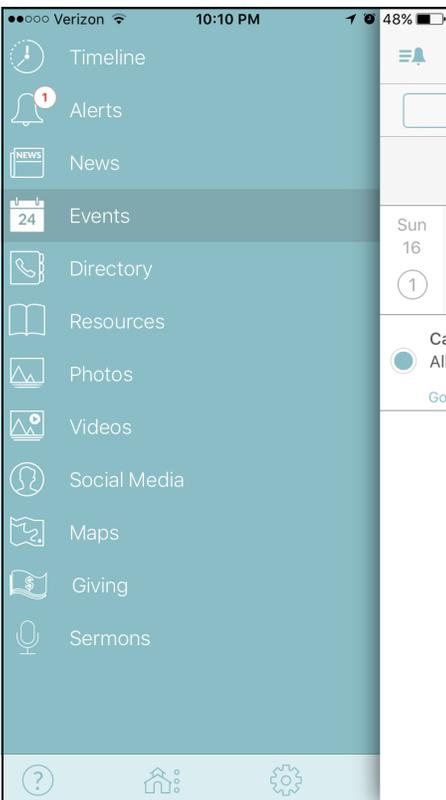
The official Gospel of God mobile app provides you with the best and easiest way to stay connected with our ministry. We'll keep you "in the know" with our latest news, notifications, and updates.

The app includes our social media streams, events calendar, and website articles. Another great feature of the Gospel of God app is that it allows for push notifications which are a great way for us to communicate in a timely manner about upcoming evangelism events or spur of the moment prayer requests.

It's available for iPhone and Android devices, and we heartily recommend that you download it today! (Search the iPhone App Store for Gospel of God Ministries. For Android search for Gospel of God Ministries - North Carolina.)

We also have a new Instagram account. If that's your social media platform of choice, please check us out at www.instagram.com/gospel_of_god.

Your likes, shares, and comments on our social media posts are a great way to get the word out about the ministry, and to encourage others.



Upcoming Evangelism Events

- August 1 - 4 Evangelism team in Edinburgh
- August 4 - 14 Evangelism training in London
- August 14 -17 Encouraging believers in Egypt
- August 19 NC State University's Packapalooza
- August 26 Lazy Days Art Festival in Cary
- Friday nights on Fayetteville Street in downtown RaleighContact Sean 919-436-8848



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