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November 2015 Newsletter



The Holidays Are Here, and What a Difference! – Hello all! We just passed Thanksgiving Day, and we hope that yours was as wonderful as ours! We went to the mountains to cut down our Christmas tree in the morning, and spent the afternoon as a family. In some ways, it was a bit surreal for me. You see, for the last 13 years Thanksgiving and Black Friday have been two of the busiest days of the year for me. Prior to coming on board with Open Air Campaigners, I managed security departments at two of the busiest shopping centers in the state, which meant the Holiday stress started in October and didn't end until early January. What a blessing that God delivered us from that! This year, I have the privilege of spending the Holidays sharing the Gospel instead. I tell people I have my dream job, and I mean it. There is nothing else I would rather do. Though life is still busy and complicated, life is good, and God is better!

Christmas in the Park or The Most Wonderful Outreach of the Year

– Winter can often be a tougher time to find good outreach opportunities. The festivals and street fairs are over, the beaches are empty, and the cold keeps more people in, even here in California. However, we have an amazing event here in San Jose that, for the last few years, has been my go-to location for outreach in the month of December. It's called Christmas in the Park, and it is amazing! Starting on Black Friday, a small park in the center of downtown, as well as several nearby streets, are turned into a huge winter carnival, with Christmas trees, animated displays, carnival rides, holiday sweets, and more. Last year the event drew more than half a million people, and it looks like it will be just as busy this year. Our first night of outreach there was last Saturday, and it was a great night. There were about seven in our team, and we were able to hand out many tracts and have some great conversations. I also tried out a new Christmas sketch called The Reason for the Season. The reaction was very positive, and we had good crowds for all my sketches. Please be in prayer for all those who will hear the Gospel at Christmas in the Park this year. If you want to see the venue and the sketch, you can watch a video at <https://youtu.be/2LSm8AaLrvI>. Thanks to Jerry for filming it!

God Is Faithful! – Our recent move into full-time (or soon to be, God willing) ministry has been a huge step of faith. I prayed many times, asking if this was something I was supposed to do, an even more if it was something I should be dragging my family into (my words, not theirs). Even though I've been working part-time, and Becky has taken on extra work, we are still raising support, and by all accounts we should not have enough money to pay the bills. Only we do. God ***(Continued)***



My new Christmas sketch message, The Reason for the Season (before and after)



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(God is Faithful, continued) has provided for us in amazing ways. My side work has been picking up a bit during the last month or so, and God has also blessed us with literally thousands of dollars in one-time gifts! Thanks to these gifts, all our bills for the last two months have been paid, and I have been able to focus more time on ministry. It has strengthened our faith, and we know He will continue to provide as we trust in Him. Have faith my friends! Our God is faithful!!

Challenging Subjects – Homosexuality – There is probably no subject that has had a greater impact on our country in recent months than the re-definition of marriage. The subject comes up in about 50% of the conversations I have on the street, so I've spent some time studying to be able to answer people's questions and objections well. There are several resources in particular that have been a great help, so I wanted to share them. The first is a video by Living Waters called Audacity. The information is presented in the form of a story, and is very well done. The two books are both written by believers who have dealt with same-sex attraction. One is now married to a pastor, and the other has chosen a lifestyle of celibacy. Both address not only the theological issues, but the relational issues, an aspect I think we as Christians too often forget. I hope they are a blessing to you.

Audacity from Living Waters - www.audacitymovie.com

Is God Anti-Gay? by Sam Allberry

The Secret Thoughts of an Unlikely Convert by Rosaria Butterfield

Praises and Prayer Requests

- Praise God for our successful festival outreaches in the last few months! Pray for similar success for our Christmas in the Park outreaches, which will be going on through New Years.
- We are praising God for His provision over the last several months. We pray He will continue to do so, particularly through the Christmas outreach season, which is the best time of the year to share the Gospel.
- Pray for opportunities to partner with more local churches. Relationships with good churches mean more people on the streets, and better, Biblical follow-up (discipleship). Also, please pray for some kids club opportunities coming up soon.



Preaching in downtown Oakland



Preaching on University Ave. in Palo Alto (near Stanford)

OAC Quick Facts:

- OAC has been at the task of evangelism since 1892!
- Our ministry is to the lost in the open air, to those who will not or cannot come into our churches
- Our staff minister as a family. We help one another and work together for the Lord
- As OAC missionaries, we are not in this alone – partners of all kinds are needed.
- Full-time OAC staff can currently be found in 1 states and in over 30 countries around the world! See oaci.org for more information

To support the ministry, you can:

- Pray! - This must be God's work. Lift it to Him.
- Donate! - We are able to continue due to your gifts. Visit yoursoulmatters.org/blog/donate
- Join us! - We can't do this alone. Come out and minister with us. You will be encouraged!
- Spread the word! – Pass on this information to friends, family, and your church leadership.

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