



July/August 2016 Newsletter

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Hello all! Thanks for your continued interest in our ministry. I pray these updates have been an encouragement to you. If so, please take the time to share them with your friends and church family. I'm always looking for chances to encourage, mentor, and train people in evangelism, and the more partners we have, the better. I'm not just talking about financial partnership, though that certainly helps. We need prayer partners too. We want to see the Holy Spirit work on the street, and that means we need prayer. I'm also talking about solid churches we can send people to. We want to partner with churches where we know people will be welcomed, and will have an opportunity to continue to grow in the truths of the Gospel. If you are part of a good, Biblical Bay Area church, and have someone there who can be a point of contact for those who need a church home, let me know, and I'll add them to my list. Thanks!



Sharing the Gospel at VBS

Summer Outreaches- Summer time and warm weather provides some additional outreach locations, and we had a great time taking advantage of them! One of them was on the San Francisco waterfront. While we have done outreach there before, the foot traffic next to the Ferry Building, where we generally set up, is much better in summer (though weather near the Bay can change very quickly!), so we headed out there more often. Another of my favorite spots is near the beach in Santa Cruz. The Santa Cruz Beach Boardwalk makes it very popular, so there is always good foot traffic, and good conversations. Its also the first place I shared the Gospel with the sketch board, so it has a special significance for me. What a blessing it is to be a missionary!



A Gospel conversation by the Ferry Building



Preaching by the beach in Santa Cruz



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Home Church Vacation Bible School



Home Church Vacation Bible School – This summer I took a big step out of my comfort zone when I volunteered to run our church Vacation Bible School. I've worked with kids plenty of times in the past, but this was a very different context for me. I've felt the desire for some time to start some local kids clubs, but have had trouble getting started. When I found out that the church had not had a VBS for quite a while, even before my family started attending, I decided to give it a try. Thankfully, OAC has plenty of teaching materials available for kids (some of our missionaries do nothing BUT kids clubs!), so putting together the curriculum wasn't too bad. But oh my goodness, I had no idea how many other details were involved! But thanks to great advice from my boss Eric, my wife Becky (who has taught kids for 20 years) and George Kistler, who used to be our family pastor, and a fantastic group of adult and student volunteers, everything came together. The kids learned important Biblical truths, but had a blast as well. What a blessing! I'm looking forward to kids clubs even more now!





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Praise Reports

- God has blessed me with the opportunity to speak to a couple different groups recently. One was an employee group on a military base, and was a youth group at a local Presbyterian church. I'm praying for more such opportunities.
- Our VBS at Home Church went great! I got really good feedback from our church staff, and several parents mentioned how much their kids enjoyed the time, and how much they learned. Even some teen volunteers were impacted by the messages!
- One of my side jobs doing event security (conventions, concerts, football games, etc.) has been getting better, and now that I have a firearms permit, there will be more jobs available.

Prayer Requests:

- We are still praying for increased support. Though one side job has improved, the other has decreased due to changes in the industry. Please pray for God's leading in discerning time to be spent in ministry vs. side jobs.
- Our ministry web site (at least the temporary version) is up and running, but we will need to Transfer it over to the permanent web address, so our ministry information will be easier to find. Life has simply been too crazy to even try lately. I'm praying some time will clear up soon.
- One of our cars was recently totaled in an accident. By God's grace no one was hurt, and Becky's parents have a spare car they have been letting us use, but we need a new car very soon. We even have some possible cars we're looking at, that our settlement could pay for. Pray that we make a good choice, and the car has not long term problems.
- I REALLY want to get some local kids clubs started! I have a couple connections who could open doors, but I want to walk through the right doors at the right time. I'm praying about starting a club in a neighborhood near my home church. Please pray that God gives wisdom, and confirmation that this is the right place.



Sharing with the youth at Silicon Valley Presbyterian Church



Encouraging civilian employees at the Monterey Presidio Army base.



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Tom (we met in Santa Cruz) and I sharing with a Hindu and a skeptic



James and I spent a while talking with these Muslim men.



He's not angry, just intense. Kept wanting to hug me before he left.



We met **Patrick** (left) downtown in SJ. He's been coming to our church and calling me almost daily with questions. **Jason** (right) is a veteran looking for work who stopped for prayer.



This man teared during the preaching, and shared his testimony

A young man who was excited to hear the Gospel



A simple hello can turn into a long conversation!



Do you need to "earn the right" to share the Gospel through long-term relationships? NO! You simply need to show respect and care to those you talk to. If you do that, relationships can be formed in just a few minutes.

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.
- For more information on the above, please contact us at dan@yoursoulmatters.org or 408-768-9262