



the Gates family



Missionaries to the Arabs of America in

Dearborn Michigan

"And the Lord, he it is that doth go before thee, fear not, neither be dismayed." Deuteronomy 31:8

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What an amazing God! He blesses abundantly and we praise Him for working in lives. Lives have been changed and we know He has been using your prayers and support in our lives. Thank you and we pray God continues using you all for His glory!

Changed Lives for His Glory!

"I just wanted to tell you that Jesus is my Lord and Savior!" My Ex-Muslim friend said. This young man has been coming for months. He already saw the contradictions in Islam. He then had many questions about the person of Christ and the Godhead, but while talking, he told me that he understands the Trinity and knows that Jesus is God. This is a hard hurdle to jump for Muslims. Thanks for your prayers for my friend.

"Come to Jesus!" We preached. What an Amazing Conference we had. The Christ Is The Word Conference was absolutely amazing. Thanks so many of you for financially giving to this. What a BLESSING!! Many came along, including some Muslims. We talked these Muslim men for hours after the Friday evening session. One has his own form of Islam, and he has been coming to our Bible study after trying to reach him for years. The other young man said he believes Islam is 99% true but wanted us to challenge this. My friend Randy and I gave him the word of God and illustrations that he could grasp. We pray to see him join us soon. One night the Shia Imam canceled and two of the men I am discipling shared their testimonies. I was thrilled. You can view the conference at youtube.com/@christisconference?si=cfWYcOWMgJV3GqZz

"I am so sad, my mother said I cannot come anymore?" One of the young ladies we have been praying for said these sad words with tears. She is a young Muslim student that doubts Islam, but doesn't believe in Jesus, yet. She came to our house and faithfully joined our study for months. When she heard about the Christ IS Conference, she listened in and then met with a Christian young lady that witnessed to her and she is starting to understand the love of God through the Gospel!

"Your life is hid with Christ in God." I preached at the cookout. The Lord brought several friends to our home. It was a mix of Christians and Muslims. We had a good time and then around the campfire, I shared this sweet truth. Later, the young man that got saved told me that it was after the cookout that he got saved. A Muslim lady attended, and she said she enjoyed the lesson, as well. It is good to open up your life to those you are witnessing to so the love of Christ can be seen in action.

Praise the Lord for the college ministry that is growing. A young lady left Islam and now follows Jesus! Others await our arrival every Tuesday and Thursday. Many argue to get their view of Islam across, yet some listen intently. The ones that came to the conference were fruit from this vital ministry. One Muslim young man from the college came to our study but wanted to argue instead of learning. We have a new young student from Nigeria that faithfully came to the conference, and she sent some videos to her lost family, and they listen. She felt boldness to witness after the conference. Amer's cousin now joins us along with another young man that saw Amer's online testimony. We also have some young ladies coming to help for the upcoming Fall Festival. Our friends Kacy and Kamala Ray surrendered to church plant in Hamtramck MI another Muslim majority city. They are definitely worthy of support! The ministry in Egypt continues thriving as well. I also visited Temple Baptist in Murfreesboro TN, Pastor Sam Eppley. What a fun time. While I was gone, Amer and Hussein led the services. The study is getting crowded on Wednesdays and we are considering using another church building.

Family Matters

Beth is doing an amazing job with the ladies Bible study! Joshua is doing well medically, and Noah is excited to grow in his faith and later play Bball on a team. Sandy and Emma are busy with school and sports and seeing them do their own devotions is a blessing. It was also fun having Raymond and Sue my in-laws come to MI for a short trip.

Think On These Things...

As the war rages on in the Middle East, pray as tensions rise here. It saddens us to see so many dying. The only answer over there is Jesus and his words, "Love your enemies." We know if many got saved and practiced this, there would be peace.

For the Christ,
David and Beth Joshua, Sandy, Emma, And Noah

that in all things He might have the preeminence. Colossians 1:18

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