

“The heart beat of The Wolthaus Ministry”

Dear Faithful Friends,

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Greetings in Him Who is the Alpha and the Omega!

David Block, Professor of Mathematics and Astronomy at Witwatersrand University in South Africa: “The year was 1969. I got up at four o’clock in the morning and watched a blazing comet with utter awe, as its tail stretches across the eastern skies. My love affair with astronomy had begun. I wanted to pursue astronomy and my Dad was my biggest supporter. My parents were from Orthodox Jewish families. My mother would light the Shabbat candles and we would have a traditional Shabbat meal together. I did all the things expected of a good Jewish boy. In order to follow my interest in astronomy I entered the university in Johannesburg. While a student I became quite friendly with Lewis Hurst, then professor of genetics and of medicine. He had great interest in astronomy. We would sit around the table and would discuss the complexities of the cosmos. I shared my doubts with him: ‘Are we just a fleeting shadow and disappear? What is the purpose for living? What is the raison d’etre for being here? Is there a Designer out there?’. Lewis introduced me to a good friend of his, Rev.Spyker. The Reverend opened the Bible to where it says that Y’shua is a stumbling block to Jewish people, but that those who would believe in Him would never be ashamed. He began to share with me how Yeshua had fulfilled the Messianic prophecies in the Hebrew Scriptures, such as where the Messiah would be born and how He was to die. While my people were still waiting for the Messiah, I suddenly knew that I knew that I knew that Jesus was the Messiah and is the Messiah. October, 1976, I surrendered my heart and my soul to Him.

As a scientist, I always think logically and I reason things out. That was how my search for GOD began. I looked through my telescope and said to myself: ‘Isn’t there a great GOD out there?’ When I studied relativity, astrophysics, cosmology and all these beautiful areas of mathematics, they point me to the fact that this whole universe is masterfully made, finely-tuned and controlled by the Great Designer. For me the logical step was to want to meet this Designer face to face.” Excerpted from: ‘Messianic Jews tell their own stories’

The couple from Marocco: As we entered the beautiful park we noticed this couple enjoying their meal at a picnic table. “May I give you this little Book. It is the Injil and it tells us about God’s love for this world!” “No thank you. Do you believe that Jesus died on a cross?” the man responded, continuing to eat. “You know hundreds of years previous the prophets already told where Jesus would be born and how He would die. Jesus was born of a virgin.” “Yes” the man commented, “the Koran says: from the Spirit.” I continued: “Right. The Bible tells us that He was without sin. He raised people from the dead. People came and worshipped Him. Jesus was called the Word of God, the Word Who became flesh. Do you know anyone in history whom you can compare to Jesus?” He looked at me: ‘Can I have that little Book that you wanted to offer to me?’. We continued to talk. At the end of the conversation I asked: “Can we pray for you?”. “Sure”, was the answer. We turned to his wife who had been operated on her knee and was in pain. I prayed with him and his wife in Jesus’ Name. His wife was moved to tears as she said “Amen.

As Irene shared her faith with a Filipino grandma and grandson, a muslim woman with her daughter was on the other side of the bench listening to the conversation. Irene turned to her, "Do you want this little book too? It is the story of Jesus?" "Yes, is it about Jahweh?" Irene then handed her the "Jesus and the Qur'an" tract. Sometimes we're another voice--she may have already heard something about the true God in her country of Lebanon.

Khan, a muslim from Pakistan: Walking thru the park we began to engage in a friendly conversation about life here in Canada. We ended up offering him the New Testament. "You're doing a great job, I will read this Book and everyone needs to read it" he responded. Another person made in God's image, reminding us of the nations--our neighbours, right at our doorstep. Many who have never had the opportunity to hear the truth in their own countries, closed/hostile to the Gospel are free here to receive the Word of Life.

Min: "Every evening when I come home I read a part out of the book you gave me". (Peace With God in Chinese) Min works 7/11 so we often follow-up and stop by his foodstand in the Mall. His co-worker also received a New Testament and told us her husband's parents are attending a House Church in China. They must be praying for their children here in Canada to come to know Jesus. We have come across many from mainland China working in the city of Ottawa Pray for more Chinese believers to reach out to their own nation here in Ottawa.

Annie: A shy, quiet Chinese Christian working at a Foodstand has become a friend who tells us what's on her heart when we meet. "It's so good you're going to people here. To whom can people go, if you don't go to them." She continued to share: "I prayed with someone who has fear and no confidence".

The ministry of prayer and encouragement: Louis is one of our Haitian contacts, whose family is still in Haiti. We gave him a French Bible quite awhile ago and we have seen him grow over the past months. We encouraged him to get in touch with a Haitian Church, and he did. "I am now regularly praying on the phone when I call my wife." He represents quite a number of Haitians who are working as cleaners at Bayshore Foodcourt. Other colleagues came around as we talked and prayed with Louis in the hallway. We handed a few more scriptures to the new workers. "This is my Christmas present!" one of them exclaimed with a smile. "Pray for me and my family" Mary a new co-worker asked.

Morris. Moe is the real-estate agent whom we led to the Lord earlier this year and about whom we wrote in our previous newsletter. He recently sent us his news: "I am doing great! I'm faithful to JESUS and He has been great to me. My church is a multi-cultural church and it feels like home. I sold my investment property and I am moving down to Los Angeles. I am going on my mission that GOD called me on. I will seek out a church and help down there and pursue my dream, of writing my life story and be a film writer." Pray for Moe, young in his faith, being radical for the Lord, to keep his heart and eyes fixed on Jesus.

The Family Corner - Our new Home: As we walked up the stairs into the living room and looked around, we really liked the home. We have searched for months for a home with an adequate-sized living and dining room, so that we could have people in for fellowship and Bible studies. This is it! As we walked through the house, we saw some Bible verses hanging on the

wall, a wooden cross was also there. That week I (Henk) specifically prayed that we would be able to move into a home where born-again believers would be living. As we looked on the internet this home came on the link for sale. No more searching. Wednesday morning we signed the papers, but then Wednesday late afternoon we got a phone call from the real estate agent that 3 more people wanted to see the home. We just prayed, "Lord, if this is your home for us, it will be ours." At nine in the evening we got another call from the real estate person 'The home is yours!' God has miraculously provided this home for us-- to make for Himself a glorious Name! We hope to move in around mid-November after some painting is done. Please keep us in your prayers for this new chapter in our lives, and for a safe and smooth move in.

Together for His Glory and Purposes,

Henk and Irene

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