

Personal History:



Mark was brought up in a liberal Jewish home and learned to despise the name of Jesus. In college, he was very hard on Christians, often berating the Bible, faith, and Christians

personally in his classes. He began to read the New Testament in an effort to disprove it, but instead was saved while reading the gospel of John. This happened on *Yom Kippur* (The Jewish Day of Atonement), 1993. Right away God gave him a burden to plant gospel seeds with the unsaved!

Shelby came to faith very differently than Mark. Having been brought up in a church-attending family, she cannot remember a time that she did not know *about* Jesus. But it wasn't until 1997, when, at age 22, Shelby committed her life to following the Lord Jesus, regardless the cost.



They were married on July 12, 1998. Vivienne was born on March 22, 1999. Juliana on February 14, 2001. Caleb on April 9, 2003. Gabriella, was born in China on April 14, 2005, and was adopted in June of 2006.

In 2010, they stepped out in faith, leaving a lucrative job in the Financial Sector, to bring the gospel to strangers wherever they are.

It's been an amazing journey, and they have had **the privilege to share Jesus with Adults, Children, University Students, Muslims, Hindus, Atheists, Cult Members, and people from countries all around the world!**

Please visit our website!

At <http://Luke-15.org> you'll find many free resources to help **encourage and equip you** in your walk with Christ, including documents, videos, and audios on Theology, sharing your faith, other religions (especially Judaism), cults, false teachings, family, and more! Please also sign-up for email updates! We'd love to keep in touch with you and help any way we can.

Please let us help you!

Would you please give this pamphlet to your Pastor or Mission Committee? Please ask them to watch a 5-minute video that shows what we do to reach the lost. This short and informative video is at: <http://movie.Luke-15.org/>.

We're willing to travel and ***we'd love the chance to come share the ministry with your Church or Bible Study.***

We take Ephesians 4:11-12 very seriously where it says that Evangelists are given to the Church "to equip the saints for the work of ministry, for building up the body of Christ" (verse 12).

If your church is not in a position to support us financially at this time, *We'd still appreciate the chance to come and minister.* **It's our honor to be a "cheerleader for evangelism" and help the body of Christ more successfully reach our lost world with the message they so desperately need.**

Donations are always helpful and appreciated. For instructions on partnering with us financially, please visit: <http://Luke-15.org/how-to-donate/>

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The Sohmer Family

Mark, Shelby, Vivienne, Juliana, Caleb, and Gabriella



Reaching people from around the world in Boston and New England.

Building up and equipping Local Churches to Biblically, Lovingly, and Effectively share Jesus with our neighbors!

"When *Jesus* saw the multitudes, He was moved with **compassion** for them... Then He said to His disciples, 'The harvest truly is plentiful, but the laborers are few. Therefore pray the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into His harvest'" (Matt 9:36-38).

Ways the Sohmer Family can help you:

We love going out to share our faith with the Lost. We also love to help Christians make evangelism a part of their daily life. **Why do many in the Church avoid sharing their faith? 1) Fear, 2) not knowing what to say, and 3) not having someone come alongside to help.** We want to help your Church overcome these obstacles so they can know the blessings of being used by Jesus!

We want to serve your Church through:

- Letting Christians know that **Evangelism is a blessing we "get to do,"** not "have to do."
- Teaching an "Evangelism Crash Course"
- Teaching Sunday School.
- Providing Pulpit Supply.
- Sharing the Gospel at your Outreaches.
- Running an Evangelism Seminar.
- Teaching on a Variety of Subjects.
- Short-Term Mission Trips.
- Providing 1-on-1 Discipleship/Instruction.
- Speaking at Your Mission Conference or VBS.
- Conducting Effective Kids Ministry.
- Inviting you to join us on the streets/beach/subways to see effective Open-Air and 1-on-1 Evangelism.
- However else we can be a help...



Preaching a sermon on "God's Heart for the Lost" from Luke 15.



Beach Ministry is amazing!
Many stop to listen to the gospel!



Showing a Jehovah's Witness
The Trinity in the Scriptures.



We lovingly and urgently share the Gospel
because it is the Power of God for Salvation.



Speaking with people
from around the world in the Subways.



These students were from
Rwanda, Serbia, Eritrea, and Vietnam.



Teaching Teens Evangelism Skills
and Practical Street Apologetics.



Our Inner-City
Weekly Kids Bible Club
is a wonderful way to reach the neighborhood.



You don't see this everyday...
A Muslim Family AND a Hindu Family
listening to the gospel of Jesus Christ!!!



It's an honor to
introduce Children
to Jesus Christ!



Engaging with University Students
on campus can be very fruitful.