



# The Sohmer Family Open Air Campaigners

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**D**ear friends and family, God has been quite active since we last wrote to you. In this newsletter we want to share praises for what God has done, prayer requests, and allow the photos to do the majority of the talking. We'd love to hear from you! Please call Mark or email him anytime at (603-244-6292, [mark@Luke-15.org](mailto:mark@Luke-15.org).)



How do you evangelize in the open air during winter? The city of Boston was so concerned that we'd have no place to share the gospel that they constructed a subway system so we could reach people there! ☺



Mark teaching an "Evangelism Crash Course." Afterwards the class did a super job lovingly sharing the gospel with the lost in their town.



Subway ministry is fantastic. Every three minutes a train comes and drops off a new crowd who are very willing to hear, talk, take tracts, and even miss their train to listen more.



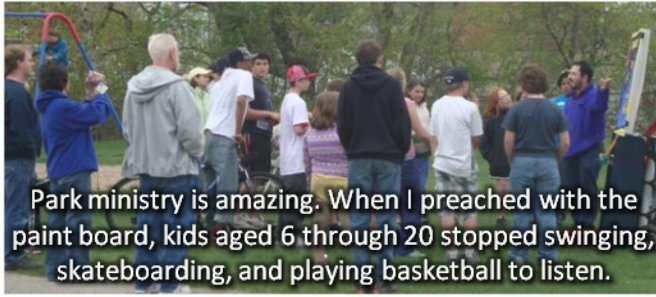
Using a rope illustration to present the gospel with teens and pre-teens at a playground.



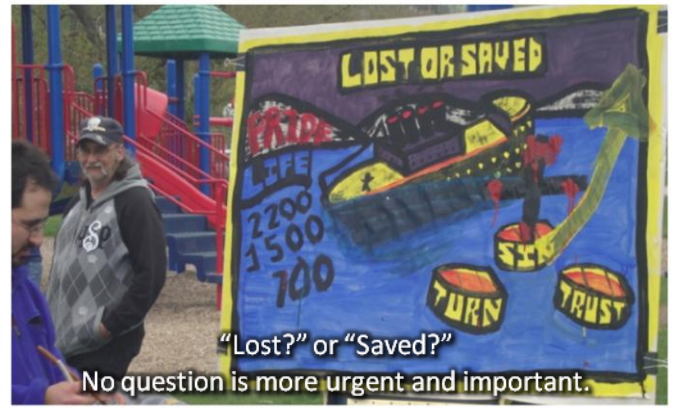
During this Sunday School time I gave practical tips for evangelism and showed that all Christians can do this.

## We Praise God For:

- † You! We have received so much encouragement from so many of you, and we thank God for you!
- † Our home church, LifeWay Church, in Derry, NH, which recently officially commissioned us as Missionaries.
- † The thousands of gospel seeds planted through OAC!
- † Many churches that have invited Mark to teach Sunday School, preach the sermon, conduct evangelism training, and even lead a Passover Seder!
- † Two of Mark's cousins (who are Christians) for inviting Mark to Chicago to present the ministry of OAC there.
- † A growing partnership of Christians who are committing to support us prayerfully and financially so we can preach the gospel full-time and train and encourage others in evangelism.



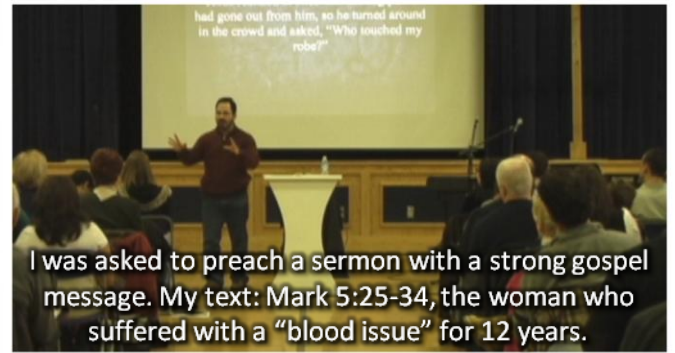
Park ministry is amazing. When I preached with the paint board, kids aged 6 through 20 stopped swinging, skateboarding, and playing basketball to listen.



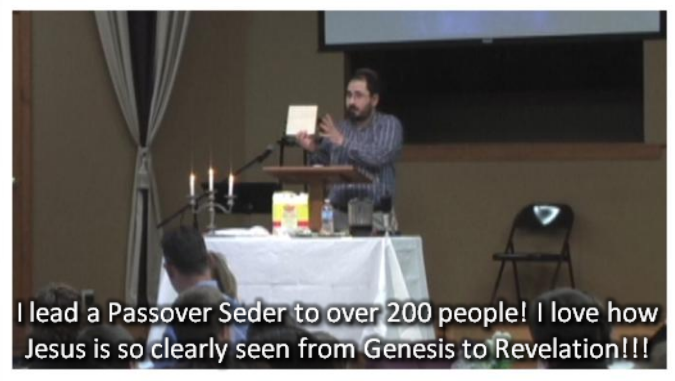
"Lost?" or "Saved?"  
No question is more urgent and important.



10-year-old Lisa listened to my message and asked if she could keep the painting. I wrote an evangelistic note on the back and she was thrilled (and so was !!)



I was asked to preach a sermon with a strong gospel message. My text: Mark 5:25-34, the woman who suffered with a "blood issue" for 12 years.



I lead a Passover Seder to over 200 people! I love how Jesus is so clearly seen from Genesis to Revelation!!!

## We Ask For Your Prayers For:

- ✝ Supernatural strength from the Holy Spirit for Shelby as she Home schools the kids, takes care of our home, and does the "everything" that Mom's do.
- ✝ Supernatural strength from the Holy Spirit for Mark as he juggles working his secular job during the day, fundraising for the mission field at night, and finding time to be a good husband and dad.
- ✝ That our children will grow in Christ.
- ✝ God to water the many gospel seeds being planted.
- ✝ Our adoption from Ethiopia. We hit some snags with paperwork, but nothing God can't handle.
- ✝ Both Mark and Shelby have family members who are experiencing declining health, and many do not know the Lord.
- ✝ Please pray that our Lord Jesus Christ will be honored in everything our family does, and we will grow closer to Him, more in love with His Word, more compassionate towards those around us, and reflect His nature more and more.

**Please note:** We do hope to meet with many of you face-to-face in the coming months to discuss and share about what God is doing through us with Open Air Campaigners. So don't hang up the phone when Mark calls!!! (And please feel free to call Mark at **603-244-6292** anytime!)

With love in Christ,

Mark, Shelby, Vivienne,  
Juliana, Caleb & Gabriella



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