



## The Evangelism Report for the month of June 2017

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Dear church family,

The month of June was a very busy time. I'll outline what I did during this transition period.

### Story-line:



### What happened in June...

- In the early weeks of June, while still in Tampa, FL, I put together materials for evangelism work. I made signs for "homeless" evangelism, (picture 1 below). "Homeless" evangelism is simply placing oneself in area's the panhandlers are known to go to. Places where they hold money signs up, between a highway and a road intersection. But instead of holding up a money sign, I hold up a "free Bible sign." If a person rolls down the window for a Bible, (stuffed with doctrinal materials), I'll have a sign up sheet with me and will ask them for a Bible study. The materials I use and the outreach methods shared in this report are accessible to see and for use at ([evangelismreport.weebly.com](http://evangelismreport.weebly.com)).
- While in in Tampa, FL, I printed out my memory cards for ready answers to denominational discussions, on Mormonism, Islam, Buddhism, etc, (picture 2 below). These are good to carry for reference points. The cards, also have materials on the true church and salvation. In preparation I also got a easy one man, pop up/fold up tent canopy for street evangelism, that I took to the airport on my journey to CA, (picture 3 below). The link mentioned above, has details on why a canopy is important, under the document titled, "Canvassing preparation." While in FL, (Picture 2) I also made business cards; But most importantly I've made materials for teaching methods on evangelism. I will detail more on my methods on evangelism, resources, tools, in future articles.
- The first day to CA, right when I got off the airplane, I drove from one side of San Bernardino to the other side, from east to west, north to south. I recorded and mapped out, the major foot traffic area's, walk ways, bus stops, malls, baseball stadium, concert center, courthouse, colleges etc, for street evangelism. I also scouted out potential "homeless" evangelism area's. Day 2, I Facebook researched, on that sites social "event" section and on other local Online sites, upcoming social events in San Bernardino, CA. Events like, Baseball stadium games, parades, festivals, concerts, fairs, etc. I did this to mark these events in my Online google calender. Where such events are taking place, their is going to be foot traffic. I call this evangelism method, "event evangelism." If you want to see the initial recorded documents for what I did on day 1 and day 2 see the mentioned link above.



Picture 1



Picture 2



Picture 3

## While in Florida...

While in FL, during the last week of transition, my mom talked with one of the new converts, Pat. Her husband, Ed, has been a staunch agnostic during his life. Now in his old age, he's dying. Pat asked my mom and I to visit him in the hospital. She also asked Ed, (who was given a few days to live), if I could talk with him. I came in and saw how bad it was, that Ed was on a ventilator machine, for oxygen. I asked him, a simple question, in our discussion together. If there is no Heaven, Hell, judgment, then when we all die someday, it's no great lose.

**BUT** if Pat and I are right, and there is a Heaven, Hell and judgment to come, and we all die someday, there is jeopardy for the unsaved. Are you willing to risk eternity on a what if? I said to Ed, Pat and I want you to be with us in Heaven someday, that would mean the world to her. After discussing this, I shared from scripture what needs to be done to "have ones sins washed away" and "to be made as white as snow." Ed asked can God forgive all my sins, I said yes. He wanted to be baptized then, but the nurses denied our requests due to his breathing issues. They said why not make the sign of the cross with water instead, so my mom and I, explained why from the Word. He went from the hospital to hospice and made it through hospice. Ed is now at home, but one of his family relatives, while he was hospitalized, placed his figures in water and made a cross on his forehead. So the matter has been muddied up somewhat. I had to leave for CA, so I could not meet with Ed again. But the Elders and Preacher at the NB church, where Pat attends and where I attended, can call Pat and meet up with Ed to further study with him. He's actually getting better, at least well enough to be baptized. Hope things progress in that direction. For though he has improved, he is still dying. And time is of the essence.

As I mentioned in my last report, I had put together an evangelism group. This group has been doing outreach for 1 1/2 years. I am proud of the work they did! I turned the leadership over to, two young men, Martin Rosado and Jesse Lester, before leaving. And contacted Martin to let him know that someone had called for a Bible study named, Robert Burns. In my last report when initially visiting CA, I mentioned, I had met with two young college age boys, Donald and Eniola, I haven't got a chance to call them yet, (for a study). But I will soon. Hopefully I'll be able to touch base with them again.

## San Bernardino News...



The picture on the left shows homeless people on the steps of the MT View church building. The homeless sleep on the front step area and the back area. Trash, poop, discarded clothing items, are laying out on the back and front area on a regular bases. Gang insignia, racist graffiti is marked on the building, (gang logo branding is easily found on stores, homes, park area's, business', etc).

Drug deals at night go on at the front of the building and a "ice cream" truck, plays children's music in the back of the building at 12:00 at night, selling drugs. 3 deaths have taken place by the building recently. Many people here are either poor or are homeless. This place is in economic recession. People are unemployed. The community is hurting. The gangs, the homeless, the addicts, the poor need Jesus. I thank you for allowing me to share His mercies with them.

I am finalizing my apartment move in tommorow. I got a cheap car and will be starting the work next week.

## Support

I just want to thank all who donated! Everyone on my end came through. The support I had expected from other sources did not fully come through however. I can stay but due to the financial cost and uncertainty, I'll have to cut my stay from a year to 8 months, (July 2017-February 2018). As I've outlined above, I got specific plans made for the work before me. In this regard I will redeem the time and put the months to good use.

If you want further details on the tools I'll use, my tips, materials, please see my website at [churchofchristevangelism.com](http://churchofchristevangelism.com).

I'm grateful for your support. I could not be doing this work without you. Your help will make the difference in reaching people for Jesus.

In Brotherly Love,  
Joseph Sullivan

