

Wow, it's hard to believe that the summer has come to a close already! I feel like I just started. As some may have guessed, the reason for this letter is to give a full account of the things that have happened over the course of the summer months. Thankfully, the summer was quite full of adventure, so there is plenty to tell (my apologies in advance, if I reminisce).

The starting point of our travels was in Greenfield, IN. The people that went on the trip included Bro. Keister, Trevor Mills from AWC, and myself. At the ICHA camp there, we had a send-off, and then we traveled on through the night to Olathe, KS. After our time spent in Kansas, due to a breakdown with the motorhome generator, we were forced to stop in Denver, CO for repairs. This opened the door to meet with another street preacher named Joseph who we went with to the Coors baseball field in Denver to do some preaching and tract evangelism.



After we finished in Denver, we made our way to my personal favorite place on the trip, Salt Lake City. While there, we did quite a number of different things, as far as ministry. During the course of the week, we: held a soup lunch for some people near a homeless shelter, held street meetings at two different locations, ministered at the Utah Arts Festival. We also got to minister with/to some of the people that Bro. Keister had

made contact with on previous trips, and got to see spiritual moves for God in the lives of other people.

As I mentioned above, we managed to go to the Manti Miracle Pageant, for some ministering there. That was interesting to see lots of others witnessing to the Mormons. Later on, that same night, we were able to see the Pageant in its entirety, and, in doing so, I was able to have a better grasp on how Mormons view life, among other things.



After traveling eastward through other states with not much happening, we arrived at Bro. Martin Barnard's church in Chicago. There, we held some meetings in a local park, and we also did a lot of door-to-door calling there, with the assistance of the Crusaders Church Great Commission Camp.



After that, we traveled westward, to Watford City, North Dakota. While we were there, we were joined by Bro. Marc Dodrill, and the four of us (Bro. Dodrill, Bro. Keister, Trevor, and myself) did outreach evangelism and held a series of meetings. One of the primary things that stood out about the locals is the fact of how receptive they were to

receiving tracts. While the four of us were there, we did door-to-door calling, and the continued receptivity of the people was quite amazing. Near the end of our time there, two events stand out to me. The first was having a communion service at a local park, for the time of reflection was needful. The second was street preaching at a local street party. That was an interesting experience, be-



cause the local city had closed off the main street, and several bars had opened into the main street while a rock band played on a nearby stage. Needless to say, the people there expressed their opinions about our presence in a couple of unique ways, but overall God truly helped us as we walked through that crowd



The final major event of the summer was based out of Milwaukee. That was called Operation Save America, which consisted of anti-abortion protests and rallies. Personally, this was



another favorite point of the trip. This was not done simply by the three of us, rather, there was a large organized group that existed already. The opposition in this place was quite substantial, consisting of an organized counter-protest against us. I thank God for His protection.

The Lord helped us greatly, especially during one portion of the event when we went to the state capitol (Madison) and held a massive meeting there.



There are a couple of good things that I learned on this trip. One of the main things is that it is important to always be in season, for we do not know who we will meet as we go about our day. Another thing that I learned is when the people of God assemble, the enemy will vainly try to stop God's people, but as Jesus' blood covers us, and we stay in it, the enemy cannot harm us. Also seeing Salt Lake City with my own eye was quite an experience, as it allowed me to see the major spiritual needs there.

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Thanks to all those who made this amazing trip possible:

Total amount of money raised: **\$919.00**, which was exactly enough to cover all my expenses.