

## November 2014

The Lord gave us a blessed outreach to the Jewish community of Atlanta. We arrived on a Monday and we focused on a Jewish community around one of the 38 synagogues in Atlanta. The first area we went to did not have any Jewish homes so we went to another location and it was no better. The third location had Jewish homes because we could see the Mezuzahs on their door posts. This is the small wooden box that contains the scripture passage from Deuteronomy chapter 6 in which they are commanded to "write them upon the posts of thy house, and on thy gates." (v.9) So whenever we saw them on a door we knew it was a Jewish home. We wore lapel buttons that said "We support Israel." We stated our love and concern for the nation of Israel. We expressed our love and commitment to the Jewish people. We showed this by giving gifts; gospel tracts, a book showing how we love and support Israel and the greatest gift of all, the Hebrew/English New Testament. The first person we met was an older lady who was on the phone when she came to the door. She acted as if she was too busy and she said she was on a long distance call. I have noticed this many times before and I wonder if it's not a tactic for not dealing with people who come to the door. I handed her the gifts, and, without looking, she



took them. So we pray that this dear lady will read the Word. The next home with the Mezuzah turned out to be an Israeli mother with children. She expectantly had the look of caution on her face but she was receptive. We shared our greetings and we tried to strike up a conversation with her but she was reserved. I shared with her, in Hebrew, that I had lived in Israel, hoping that this would start a conversation. Although she didn't talk much she did receive the book and Bible. Her name is Declah (Palm Tree). The next two homes with Jewish people were somewhat similar. The people were not very responsive but did receive the Word of God and expressed appreciation for our support. We then went to one of the major malls in Atlanta which has three separate booths of Israelis selling

products from the Dead Sea. Many malls have these booths, and, most all of them are manned by Israelis. My friend who was with me has been there before and they remembered him and they were very friendly to us. We were able to give New Testament books to most of the Israelis and had good conversations about salvation and the Messiah. One man, Ido, who recognized it as a New Testament said "This is Christian, it's not for me, I won't take it." Although he was not rude, he was firm and not willing to receive it. The next day we went to a separate mall in which we were able to meet more Israelis. Most of them received New Testaments as well, although there was one who recognized it and asked if it was Christian, "I don't know if I can take this, I need to call my rabbi." Although she didn't call, she refused to receive it. In two days we were able to give the New Testament to 21 Jewish people. This was a very good response. I pray that each one will be read the message and receive Jesus as personal Savior and Messiah.

For those who have inquired about our current needs, they are as follows: iPad for ministry

Dental implant for Susan and me