

islandwide door-knocking begins

Dalraida mission team

As mentioned last month, we were expecting our first (of hopefully three) 2019 mission team. The group of 15 young college students came from the Dalraida church of Christ in Alabama and stayed with us for an entire week of non-stop work. They had packed days full of work and evenings of Gospel meetings, Bible class and Ladies class. There were rainy days that did not stop the work and much was done. The Gospel Meeting took place under a tent in the neighborhood where I grew up in Hanna Hill over three nights. This area is central in Eight Mile Rock. The young men preached; each message was robust with verses and easy to understand. We had an average of five visitors from the community nightly. Of this particular effort one weekly Bible study has begun and another expressed interest.

The door-knocking took place daily from 10:00 a.m. until noon then again after lunch for two hours before a short break where the campaign team got to change, eat supper and prepare for the night work and events. These efforts resulted in **thirteen bible studies** which I am currently following up on. In some cases people agreed to do studies and simply need to set a day and time and in other cases studies were already started and will be continuing.

The mission team was well-received by the community and the presence of the Eight Mile Rock church was felt because of the large numbers they brought. This week was a great start to us reaching each and every door in Eight Mile Rock!



What's happening in the EMR COC



We are happy with the first Gospel Meeting for the year and are already planning the second.

Five attendees

on average each night from the community and the added benefit of everyone living in ear-shot of the service hearing the message was wonderful. We are seeking to set up another meeting in May where I will do the preaching since we will not have visiting help at that time. Each time we get out into the community, we raise awareness about our presence and more importantly we have the opportunity to start a new study and plant the Gospel seed one-on-one.

We mentioned that the Central church of Christ in Moore Oklahoma is coming this summer with a group to work with us. Since last month, we have started plans with the Palm Beach Lakes church of Christ in Florida to come and work as well. Both congregations are sound and faithful to the Apostles doctrine and the New Testament pattern so we will be blessed for their assistance in reaching the lost in Eight Mile Rock in the coming months.

The congregation has been vigorously searching for property to purchase in the Eight Mile Rock area over the past three months. The location we rent is on the main road of the district but we have since the new year gained neighbors in our complex who run a full scale bar! As I'm sure you can imagine, it is a nightmare on Bible study nights.

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Prayer Requests

Please pray that:

- 1) The studies gained will bear fruit.
- 2) The next Gospel Meeting will be effective.
- 3) The congregation will find land to purchase.
- 4) The next incoming group will aid the work well.
- 5) This work be of God and not of men (Acts 5:38-39)!

We love you and thank God for you always
(Philippians 1:3).

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and Family