

Spreading God's Word whenever possible!!

Several situations have reminded us lately of the **command to spread God's Word** whenever possible (2 Timothy 4:2). Last week Darin went by a business site to deliver 60 cookies he'd made for a man preparing to celebrate his 60th birthday (the two of them do discipleship and pray at his workplace!). While waiting in the hallway, a dentist next door must have heard about the praying that happens in that office near him, because he started crying telling Darin – whom he'd never met - about a difficult situation in his life.

As this professional poured out his frustration near the open doorway to his dental practice, Darin shared the Gospel with him ["TH"]. TH's joy from this encounter caused him to bring Darin that afternoon to meet his mother and start a tennis time with Darin wkly: more **chances to share Scripture** with the self-described not-religious new friend. Speaking of tennis, another of Darin's regular guys has started a Bible study at the sophisticated Woodlands, TX club where he teaches tennis. This takes **courage to promote the Bible** and he's started learning to disciple others (pouring the Word into himself using Scripture Notebooks!).

Finally another friend of Darin's, **devoted to spreading God's Word** and *who did his discipleship remotely from a wheelchair as a quadriplegic*, has passed away in a drowning accident. Darin spoke with this dearest of friends [**Chris Skinner**], on an intense weekly phone call that lasted 10 years, having never met in person. Words can't really describe the devotion of Chris to knowing Jesus Christ and making Him known, as he did this with daily pain that made life almost overwhelming (Philippians 1:21-25). Darin's words at his funeral in South Carolina focused on his godliness and the benefit of joining in Christ's sufferings (Philippians 3:10).

Each of these examples show ways in which **Jesus Christ uses us when we look continually for chances to use the Bible each day**. For a related prayer request Darin has a 9/30-10/8 Russia trip to help train pastors how to teach the Bible! Finally on a lighter note, we both just turned 60 and the glasses say it all in this pic!

During the year everyone receiving this gets prayed for still by name at least once for each letter, so please request prayers about anything going on or others you know with needs whenever you'd like to have something special offered.



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