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Jesus' Blood Annihilates Darkness and Sin

What would you call a great day? A promotion of some sort? I sort of received a promotion today by finding myself on the high speed nozzle of the stream of the Spirit of God opening up Muslims and their lives to us as missionaries. Let's start like this.

First we went to the poor peoples' market where Muslims hang out, and where you can buy good naval oranges for 1.20 Euros a kilo instead of 3.50 Euros at any grocery store.

As Evey was shopping for oranges, I pulled up a chair, uninvited, to an obvious North African in a sidewalk cafe. He was reading a newspaper.

I didn't have cash on me for a coffee, so I came with no excuse of holding a coffee and pulling up a chair - something you don't do with the private French.



Don, son Simeon and grand son Kai. Big family move to Equator.

We honor them and love them all.

I greeted him and instantly told him I am a Hanifi Christian, meaning a Christian with the faith of Abraham, a real jaw breaker to any Muslim—since Muslims want to have Abraham’s faith but can’t seem to find it. His name is Messaoud from Constantine, Algeria. He bought me a coffee.

Pray that I can have a huge impact on his life and that is Christ. Messaoud lives in a “squat,” which is a micro apartment with half a bed and space only for a hot plate and a small toilet. I asked for a visit, that I visit him in his “squat” to see him. He immediately asked me if I wanted to sleep also in the squat! I have left him a choice tract in French, called Testimony of the Son of an Imam. Armed with good will, his knowledge that I know Algeria, his phone number and all set for a visit in a rather run down micro dwelling place. He held my hand so tightly because he knew by conversation that I was a true Christian with Abraham’s faith, a hanifi Christian. May you pray for him so he can help open a larger impact among his many Muslim friends. And of course become the saved Muslim from Constantine, Algeria. You can find this big city in Algeria on a map.

Then I went to a Muslim barber shop that costs \$12 instead of \$25. I met this particular barber, Ahmed. The last time I went there, he caught me reading my pocket New Testament outside his barber shop after my last haircut. He said at the time, “You are reading the Bible, aren’t you?” This time I was more prepared. So was God. Ahmed, pray for him, was the first of 5 barbers to have an open chair for me. I gave him a complete French Bible this time, wrapped in a white paper bag, to keep it private. The French Bible had Post It notes I had inserted with page and verse numbers from 4 main passages of the Bible. Remember that these are Muslims who are “Old Testament” people who don’t know why Jesus came at all. Given this, I used O.T. references and New Testament parables, anything before the day of Pentecost, which means nothing if you don’t know why Jesus came. I left my phone number, my name, and a desire to have a meal together. Pray for Ahmed, another Muslim North African.

But the biggest news is that Sunday next, when we have invited an Algerian woman and her husband to come to our house to eat together. They accepted today. Wow. The wife is Fatma who was a dedicated Muslim but led to Christ by her Swiss/French husband. But she is no ordinary Muslim convert. She is a leader, having traveling around Belgium, France and Switzerland to learn everything about Jesus and to learn how to really witness to Muslims. She has special prayer needs, or maybe I need the prayer needs. She attends our church and only last Sunday was I presented publicly as a church planter and a missionary to Muslims. She then came forward after church and just beamed as a fully mature potential team member. I don’t know what kind of team this would or could become. Maybe it is just for Evey and women. But this is the most explosive answer to prayer already to find a super dynamic Muslim convert. I don’t know what this Sunday meal will bring, but she holds back nothing and respects Evey and myself greatly. I’m looking at team expansion here in Europe that could rapidly, or slowly, transform into a force for God that is unstoppable. I’m almost breathless with unbelief. God help me. This almost can’t be all happening now. God has heard my pleas and fervent prayers and your prayers. Teams from supporting and non-supporting churches need to form prayer teams with the view of learning how to amplify the glory of this moment. This is a promotion to see the glory of God coming at us so rapidly. Are we up to it? Can God seal these moments? So, so, good is the Lord.

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