

## August 2014 UK, Belgium, France, China, Ukraine Petition

The *Bible Companion* readings for this Sunday include Mark 12 and there is an MP3 about this chapter at <http://www.aletheiacollege.net/audio/mk12.mp3>. You can see the archives of our MP3 files at <http://aletheiacollege.net/archives.html>; Carelinks Bible Radio is at <http://r-b-c.org/listen.php>

### CARELINKS UK

The Gospel is getting a powerful response in the Western world; the doctrines we preach are encountered online by folks, who then request the literature, and come to baptism. This week we are pleased to report eight baptisms in Western Europe, including 4 in the UK; we thank all who came and supported, who put us up for the night and provided other logistical help, and also all of you for your prayers and financial donations.

Firstly we baptized MICHELLE in the East Midlands, who came to us from our offer of *NEV Bibles with commentary*. Our new sister subsequently requested *Bible Basics*, *The Real Christ* and *The Real Devil* and is a regular daily watcher of our YouTube channel at [www.youtube.com/carelinksministries](http://www.youtube.com/carelinksministries). You can see her here with some of the books:



Next we met up with Jean & Robin in Bingley, North Yorkshire to baptize AMANDA and GRACE, identical twins who requested *NEV Bibles* and then went on to study *Bible Basics* and *The Real Devil* etc., finding that our teaching confirmed their already existing sense that the devil cannot exist in the fallen-Angel form which is commonly believed. These sisters are really amazing in their devotion to God's word and love of His Truth. Here you can see them with their *NEV Bibles*, and then with wet hair after baptism:



Jean & Robin write:

"Twin sisters GRACE and AMANDA have been keen to read the Bible from childhood, but were unable to get a clear idea of its message from the local churches. Grace, at the age of five, had challenged the vicar about Father Christmas! Realising she had been lied to, she and Amanda have continued to question what they were told. They saw that it was wrong for the Pope to claim to forgive sins, and they found the Pentecostal churches too commercial in their outlook. So they searched the internet for a Bible study course, went through *Bible Basics*, *The Real Christ* and *The Real Devil*, and could see that it "made sense." This was not easy for Amanda because she is registered blind and so has very limited reading ability. When we joined Duncan to help with their baptism we were impressed with their willingness to welcome three complete strangers into their home, and their determination to find the true Bible message. Truly the blind can see!"

And our new sister Amanda emailed:

"Thank you so much for coming to baptizing us. We are very grateful. I have a question. I have read a piece on sin, and that babies are born sinful because of the original sin by Adam. I just

wondered what you thought about this subject. Thank you once again. I have never felt better it is like a weight has been lifted from me and I can't stop smiling, knowing that the Lord Jesus is in my life".

At the other end of the UK, in Cardiff, Wales, was M, an Iranian refugee who quit Islam several years ago, and was attracted to our beliefs because of our rejection of a personal satan, the Trinity and our lack of charismatic leaders. He studied *Bible Basics* and became thoroughly convinced of the doctrines of the Truth. It was good to have support of local brethren- Andy Smith [himself baptized from Carelinks work], Andrew Dunning and Steve & Sue. We performed the baptism off the lifeboat launch ramp at Penarth, looking across the Bristol Channel to the English coast; and then Steve led us in a breaking of bread meeting on the seafront. Again and again we marvel at the activity of the Lord in leading us all together, and especially our new brother, led by the Lord on a quite incredible journey. Truly in breaking bread we had so much of Him and His work, both past and present, to celebrate.

Brother Andy comments:

"Thank you for inviting me to the baptism of Amir. He had come along way to the beach at Penarth to be baptised, but I felt God was there with us, and that He will be with Amir in his life and on his difficult journey. God Bless, Andrew"



## FRANCE

We reported previously the baptism of brother Kingsley, and now we're pleased to tell you of the baptism of his wife EMILY and friend SAMSON. We're planning to be in the Paris area in the period September 23-25 for pastoral work and baptisms; any interested in joining us in fellowship in the Lord's work would be most welcome.

## BELGIUM

From Paris it's only 2 hours by train to Brussels and Antwerp, where the Gospel continues to grow. We were delighted to baptize PEYMAN, an Iranian friend of brother Fahrid, whose zeal for spreading the Gospel continues unabated; and we were also pleased to baptize NIZAR, an Iraqi Kurd refugee from Mosul- scene of indescribably violence from ISIS in recent times. Again we were glad of the support of local brethren.

Please do pray for all these dear converts to Christ.

## CHINA

Again as a result of the distribution of *Bibles* and *Bible Basics* we're pleased to tell you that this week, our brother Donald visited and baptized ZEXIAN.



All this work requires funding and currently we are in need of funds to print the *Chinese NEV Bible with commentary*. Please do donate what you can, because without doubt God is richly blessing the distribution of this literature.

**UKRAINE PETITION** re. military service

Many thanks to all who have signed it but please do sign it if you haven't, and encourage others to. To repeat a previous message:

here are things you can concretely do in this difficult situation:

- **Firstly**, to pray, not just for our affected brethren, but for Ukraine as a whole.
- **Secondly**, you can sign an online petition we are organizing at

<http://carelinks.net/Ukraine/contactform.htm> .

We are not trying to 'dodge the draft' but rather wish to make the point that as serious Biblical Christians we cannot undertake combatant service, although we are eager to support our fellow man and our nations in any practical way.

- **Thirdly**, you can spread the news of this petition by sharing the link to the petition on social media e.g. Facebook. We have also produced a brief YouTube video about the petition at <http://youtu.be/aOXveKGAPmw> ; you can share this on social media too.

**With love from your brothers and sisters of Carelinks**