

August 2019 Canada, USA, Italy

The *Bible Companion* readings for this Sunday include Mark 12 and there is an MP3 file about this at <http://www.christadelphia.net/audio/mk12.mp3>

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Download the *NEV Bible* with commentary and *Bible Companion* bookmarks at <http://n-e-v.info/NEVBIBLE.pdf>

Helps for the *Bible Companion* readings this week:

1 Kings <http://n-e-v.info/1kingscomm.pdf>

Jeremiah <http://n-e-v.info/JeremiahNEVCommentary.pdf>

Mark <http://n-e-v.info/NEVMarkCommentary.pdf>

CANADA

Brother Jim Barton in Canada sends in a really exciting report. In such preaching work, who dares wins, so, well done Jim, Anne and Ieva. You grasped the moment, *carpe diem*, more power to all such witness.

Preaching to the public can be a challenge for so many of us, yet there's a vast array of different approaches that can be employed for little or no money, most it just costs time and a willing heart. For example: we recently were traveling to a Bluegrass Music Festival in upstate **Plattsburgh**, New York. We had with us a Latvian visitor, sister Ieva [well known to those who visit the *Riga Bible Center*], who enjoys this type of music with us. I had brought along a box of the New Testament *NEV Bibles* with me in the hope that perhaps I could give out a few. I put a "Free Bibles" sign by my trailer but no takers. I noticed they were having a Gospel Service on Sunday morning. So I approached the band hosting it and asked if it would be okay if we handed out some Bibles during their show. They were very enthusiastic and said they would invite me up to the stage to explain our ministry and about the Bibles. So they called me up to the stage to do that on Sunday morning at the very beginning of their show. I had on one of those bright green "Free Bibles" vests on and sister Ieva came up onto the stage with me too with a "Free Bibles" ball cap and I spent a few minutes explaining the "*Carelinks*" ministry of spreading Bible truth and then I enquired how many people there prayed. Since the people in attendance were there to attend a Gospel show, they pretty much all put up their hands. So I commended them for that and then made the point that praying is when we talk to the Lord but when do we allow the Lord to talk to us?

Then I introduced the hand-out Bibles explaining that only by reading the word of the Lord do we allow Him to speak to us and then told them we'd be handing them out in the next few minutes and to just put up their hand when we got near them. Well ... I had brought with me 36 Bibles. I had given two of them to the band members the day before when I asked about distributing them. So I had 34 left. Ieva and I gave all of them out in 5 minutes. We ran out! So we handed out some *Carelinks* Business cards to those who still wanted them so they could request them via-mail and we'd send them one. Anne was busy taking pictures so we could share the experience with *Carelinks Newsletter* readers. What a great day! Praise the Lord



ITALY

We're planning on visiting existing brethren and new contacts, all Africans, in the **Milan-Turin** area the weekend of August 31st. We're hoping to rent transport to gather them together and hopefully to baptize several. There's a lot of real poverty amongst the migrants, and the right wing Italian Government are actively seeking to throw African migrants out of Italy. Those with children are really in a hard situation. Please do donate so we can reach out to help them as far as we can. And if you're in that area at the time, do get in touch and come along.

USA

Sister Loanne Clements in **Washington** state is as keen as anyone to get the *NEV Bibles* out there. She has put a *Free Bibles* visibility vest on her walker to attract attention. She says: "I plan on offering the calendars in the same way, Lord willing. It was you who inspired me to find a way I could do this. Thank you for your example". So we are all encouraging each other in this great work of taking real hope and life eternal to the vast mass of secular people in this world who live in darkness. It's wonderful to see us all encouraging each other like this.



PRAYER POINTS:

- For all those receiving Bibles and *Bible Basics* literature, that some may respond to the great Truth
- For the migrant brethren and contacts in Italy
- For the planned events in Italy
- For our continuing work this week in Australia

With love from your brothers and sisters of Carelinks