

## **Baptisms In USA, November 2006**

On Sunday 26 November, 2006 Brother Michael Warren of the Vancouver, Washington USA ecclesia had the honor of baptizing Scott and Lisa in Vancouver, WA. Scott and Lisa had been members of a church for ten years but were excommunicated a year ago for believing that Jesus was the Son of God, and not "God the Son." There were others excommunicated also, whom Scott and Lisa have been in regular contact with, and whom they've shared Bible literature with. We're also in touch with them.

Scott and Lisa came in contact through our online outreach, in this case an online advertisement placed on Craigslist seeking contact with other non-trinitarians. Scott and Lisa had already come to a basic understanding of the Truth, but were not familiar with Christadelphians. Over the past few months they have spent numerous hours listening to MP3 downloads on Bible doctrine, and reading our websites and literature. Scott and Lisa are truck drivers, and eagerly downloaded our MP3s and played them and replayed them as they travelled around North America. You can download MP3 talks about Bible Basics and other topics from <http://www.carelinks.net/audiotalks/mp3downloads.htm> .

Although both Scott and Lisa had been baptized before, they both felt a need to be rebaptized in the name of Yashuah the Anointed One, the Son of God. They believe that the new knowledge they have received over the past year is so important that they wanted to commit themselves to the true God, and His Son, in the presence of like-minded brothers and sisters. Their request for rebaptism and personal testimony is very moving and can be seen at <http://www.aletheiacollege.net/dbb/14-4a.htm>.



Photo: Scott about to be baptized

There were 22 people present at the baptism; the prayer of blessing was given by Bro. Wayne Franklin, and our Sis. Az Gonzalez was official photographer. We followed up with a dinner and social at the home of Brother Wayne Franklin, and his wife Sister Jill. Many members of the Vancouver Ecclesia, and brothers and sisters from the surrounding area and nearby Portland ecclesia came to witness the baptism, and to fellowship over a wonderful turkey dinner! So, we welcome Brother Scott & Sister Lisa to our worldwide brotherhood! Seeing they travel nationwide with their trucking work, we'd like to commend them to the fellowship of all brethren and sisters in North America.



Photo: Lisa well and truly immersed



Photos: Scott and Lisa with their truck

The Vancouver USA ecclesia has also been very busy mailing out Bible Basics material all over the USA and Canada in response to the many requests received daily from websites such as [www.carelinks.net](http://www.carelinks.net), [www.biblebasicsonline.com](http://www.biblebasicsonline.com), [www.elijah.info](http://www.elijah.info), [www.vancouverecclesia.net](http://www.vancouverecclesia.net) etc. We mail out hundreds of booklets every month. Sister Jill Franklin should be applauded for her hard work and dedication to this outreach! She spends hours every week stamping envelopes and booklets with our ecclesial post office box. She also places a form letter in each envelope and mails them! We've begun to get Q&A sheets back from some of the folks who are reading the booklet. Please pray for this Carelinks outreach that we will see a great harvest for the Truth in this endeavor. Truly, the need is great and the time is late. There is a great harvest to reap, but there are few laborers! We are hopeful that in the near future we will have more happy news of baptisms to report. We have many people expressing serious interest in the doctrines of the Truth.

If you would like to become more involved with outreach here in the USA and Canada, please contact the Vancouver Ecclesia regarding helping out with mailing Bible literature, or with projects you can help support through Carelinks USA. Our email address is [info@vancouverecclesia.net](mailto:info@vancouverecclesia.net).

In Our Shared Hope,

Brother Michael Warren on behalf of The Vancouver USA Ecclesia, and Carelinks USA.