## May 01 – May 07

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Two birthdays and no anniversaries this week.

<u>April 24, 2022</u> Contribution: \$620.00 Attendance: 24

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## Welcome to the Alpine church of Christ



## Ordinary people serving an extraordinary God.



Welcome home, Jean! Jean Ragland, rehabilitating from a fall, arrives home in Alpine today. Our prayers are answered!



It's that interesting part of the year when those in west Dearborn are remembering Christ's resurrection, those in the east are commemorating the Quran by fasting the month of Ramadan, and that one house in the middle has still not taken down its menorah. Our community is rich and diverse and it provides more doors for the Arab ministry than anywhere else in the world.

Last night, we had our second summer outreach planning meeting, where the local churches are chipping in to use every opportunity to share the gospel with their Muslim neighbors. The ACM, thanks to your support, has contributed to cover the costs of renting the facilities in the public parks as well as providing the books, literature, tables, banners, food etc., in addition to the personal involvement. Every Christian—local or visiting during the summer—is invited, and the hope is to at least match the 50k+ Ramadan festival that was organized by the Dearborn Muslims.

The Sherwood Church of Christ has also been talking about a similar outdoor outreach, or so I was told by its preacher while he was giving me a ride back to the airport. My engagement there took a longer time from the time it was planned to the time it actually happened than any other engagement in my whole career, due to the fact that it was planned shortly before Covid became a pandemic. And yet, my visit to my beloved west Texas—the first in a while—was worth every day waited. The generous congregation invited the locals on radio, TV and brochure mailouts, many visitors showed up including those who became regulars. The classes were streamed, recorded and uploaded.

A Texas mission that is working among the Afghan refugees has requested a few copies of *The Road to Your Happiness* and a box was promptly sent there. The book is available in Arabic and English and is specifically written to share the whole counsel of God with Muslims. It is free upon request.

We organized an outreach event at the *University of Michigan's Dearborn campus*. My band, the *Jiran Jam*, which continues to share the gospel with Muslims in music events every other Friday, played there while a local evangelist gave a message.

The God Who Does Not Remember is now available. I am invited to speak again at the South Edmonton Church of Christ (on Zoom) on June 12.

I am invited to teach two classes at this year's Legacy Conference in Grand Rapids, MI. Josh McDowell, arguably the world's most famous apologist in our time, will also be there. I cannot wait to tell him that it was his literature that I read in Baghdad and became a believer when I was a college kid, unless I'm tased by his bodyguard in the process. I will also be in Turkey on a mission trip with a Nashville congregation that is working among the Arab refugees there to interpret for them, then I will speak at the Georgetown congregation (KY) on May 15.

(From Wissam's newsletter)

