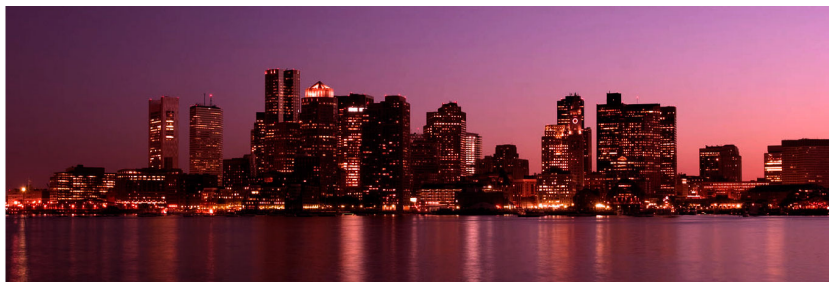


Change Boston



Do you have any extra booklets?

Our students join others on their spiritual journeys and point them to Christ

Malisa & Brian Ellis - Evisting God for 25,000 students in Boston.

Amanda and I (Brian) sat down on a park bench in Boston Common next to Arlette. "We're interested in hearing about your spiritual journey. Would you like to share with us for a few minutes?" we asked. "Sure. I'd be happy to," Arlette replied. She shared with us that she grew up going to a Catholic church in Mexico when she was young, but that now she was really into the power of positive thinking and things like that. She was here in America to take classes at Harvard for the summer. After she shared for a few minutes, she asked, "What about you guys? What do you believe?"

One might mistake that for a witnessing opportunity. I used a simple booklet called "Knowing God Personally" to share the basics of the gospel with Arlette. Reading from the booklet and telling stories from our lives, Amanda (a student from Framingham State College) and I explained that God created us to know him personally. While sin separates us from God, Jesus Christ, God's Son restores the connection with God that we so desperately need. About halfway through sharing the gospel, Arlette said, "It's really funny that you came up to talk about all this. I was just praying to God for direction." And a few minutes later, just as I was explaining how to begin a relationship with Jesus Christ (by talking to God, confessing sin and asking for forgiveness), Arlette said, "**Do you have any extra booklets? I'd like to be able to read all this again.**" "Absolutely. In fact, I'll give you this one when we're done."

Arlette prayed to receive Christ and we exchanged contact information. Last week we bumped into her downtown and I was able to introduce her to Malisa. She and Malisa are getting coffee tomorrow to talk more about what it means to begin a relationship with Jesus Christ.

Over the last two weeks, the 18 students who've joined us for our summer missions project here in Boston have shared the gospel with over 200 people like Arlette and 6 of them began new relationships with Jesus Christ.

Sophia (from BU) and Shannon (from Saint Rose) are incredibly social and outgoing, but until this project, they had never shared the gospel. But as they took steps of faith to get into conversations, God richly blessed their time.

Felix (from Suffolk University) is a brand new believer. He's quiet, awkward socially, and has a hard time in group settings, but he also loves Jesus and wants others to know Him. The summer project was the first chance he had to share the gospel. Since the project ended, he's been sending us e-mail updates. His most recent included the line, "I've shared the gospel with six people this week. Two of them prayed with me to receive Christ. I'm running out of Knowing God Personally booklets. **Do you have any extra booklets?**"

Thanks so much for the vital role you play allowing us to minister to students like these.

Loving our Adventurous Lord, Brian and Malisa



Our Summer Project students—including Amanda, Sophia, Shannon and Felix love clowning around

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Would you Pray

- For Malisa's meeting tomorrow with Arlette, and for Arlette's continued growth in her relationship with Jesus
- For us as we head to Ogden, Utah June 19-July 3 to visit supporters. If you're in town, please let us know. We'd love to see you.