## Princeton Prayer Letter Princeton, NJ Sept. 22 & 23, 2006

Friday Night in Princeton -One of the slowest nights we've seen in a long time in Princeton. Six people were present to witness/evangelize on 09/22/06.

**Elyse and Roberto** – Two teens from Princeton area. Elyse took 2QT and flunked it. Then she admitted to breaking at least 3 of the 10C's. When we discussed forgiveness being given by God, even after a life of sin, she balked. Thought that it was too easy for a murderer to get off the hook. She had trouble really accepting the idea of grace since she was from a R/C background. But she did not like the Catholic Church and had basically left it. But she still retained some of their "works" mentality. She took a Gospel of John and a More Than a Carpenter book with her. Roberto was very quiet and finally asked if he could worship Satan tonight and then tomorrow become Born Again, could he do it? I said yes, but that if persisted in sin his heart would get harder and harder. He wanted to wait until later to get this "good deal" of forgiveness. I asked him when he would die, and he said probably in the next two weeks since he smoked ten packs a day. But he got my point that he has no idea of the time of his death. We gave him the Scripture that "now is the time of salvation," and told him, "Don't wait until it is too late."

**Courtney and her friend stopped to speak with us**. - **Courtney** is a young woman in her late twenties or early thirties and is from Montana. She thought that our method of evangelism with the two-question test was a stumbling block to people. She explained how she had to study Buddhism before she came to Christ. (Courtney thinks that a person's life style is the way of reaching people for Christ, not preaching the Gospel.) Her friend said nothing during the hour or so that we talked. I told her that **evangelism is commanded in the Scriptures** and she is being **"politically correct."** She had some leanings towards **pluralism**, but I explained to her this is not Scriptural. (Courtney also mentioned that the evangelism command was added to the Gospels according to her Baptist professor—I told her that this is **absolutely not true** and the **professor was an ignorant liberal theologian**.) Her brother in-law and brother are Presbyterians. I gave her a few tracts such as Buddhism to show her that it is not another way to the true God--there is only one way to the Father; and that is through **Jesus Christ** (I John 2:23).

## Saturday Night in Princeton—09/23/06

## Four people were present to witness/evangelize—one in our group was a Princeton University Student and one was a TCNJ Student.

Matt and Michael—two Princeton University students—stopped to take the two-question test with (a Christian Princeton student) and "alias". - Matt is an Economics major with a Roman Catholic background (but denies Roman Catholicism), and Michael is a philosophy major and also has a Roman Catholic background that he has since turned away from. Michael did not believe in the Biblical definition of a heaven and hell—he is more of a Zen-Buddhist (Bodhidharma, an Indian Monk who settled in China in the 6<sup>th</sup> century A.D., is supposedly the founder of Ch'an—Chinese Zen Buddhism). I told Michael that Buddhism (which came out of Hinduism) teaches the universe is eternal and does not define or acknowledge sin or evil, and (Christian Princeton University Student) explained to him how humans have immaterial souls/minds (with two-way causation interactions with our brains) which allow for the continuation of a "self " after physical death. I explained to him the <u>inherent evils</u> with the worldviews of Buddhism and Hinduism. Matt attacked the Bible by stating that it taught "slavery." (Christian Princeton University Student) refuted his argument and also gave his testimony. We gave them a few tracts on Hinduism, Buddhism, etc. Pray that (Christian Princeton University Student) can set up meetings with both students to talk more about the Good News of the Messiah.

**Irisha, Swatia and another Indian woman**—stopped to take the two-question test. They were all Hindus, but Irisha and Swatia were very open to the Gospel. We explained to them that we came from Adam and Eve and that Hinduism taught the caste system (if you are born with white skin to Brahmin

parents, this was a reward in your previous life)—this is **racism!** We explained who "Christ" was. We asked if they ever watched the movie "**The Ten Commandments**" with Charlton Heston. They said, "yes." We told them that the "Messiah" was the one that spoke with Moses and that this "Messiah" created everything "**ex-nihilo**". Christ is God and sacrificed Himself 2000 years ago. Their husbands came by and wanted to leave. We gave them two "Hinduism" tracts.

**Jackie** – About 30 and from a R/C background. Heard the Gospel but not real open. Seemed confused over the real Gospel. Pray for enlightenment from the Holy Spirit as to the simplicity of the Gospel.

**Ernst** – A young rapper with his pants about to fall off his hips. Said he wasn't Catholic but that he was Baptist. He said this as if being Baptist made him inherently better than a Catholic. He made a big deal about having been baptized. He thinks that he is a Christian. However, his doctrine was so "out of wack" that we had trouble following what he was saying. He admitted to fornicating and told us that he had no intention to stop. There was no repentance as evidence in his life. We told him to repent about 6 or more times, but he just seemed to talk all around the subject and appeared to be absolutely blind to spiritual truth. Pray that God will deal with him by convicting him of his sin and then granting him repentance.

**Frankie and Juliette and 2 teen aged friends** – Both are juniors in high school. Disillusioned with the Catholic Church. **Frankie** has a lot of good questions. Asked about the existence of hell and the validity of the Scriptures in light of their dual authorship. Before she left, Juliette took a <u>More Than Carpenter</u> book – said she liked to read. She goes to Lawrenceville Prep and wants to go to Columbia Univ. to join her older brother. Told her that there are great Christian fellowships there.

**Niel** - This man had an obvious mental disability. However, he followed what I was saying and could articulate what I had said regarding the Gospel. I don't know how God deals with those with mental disabilities, but I do know that he is a just and merciful God. That said, I know that Niel heard that glorious Gospel and that he was able to reiterate its major points, so, I am going to trust in God and leave the rest up to Him.