NEWSLETTER FOR JUNE 2018

Hello once again Vision Partners! Things are finally starting to heat up around here. Not just the weather, but some ideas we have brewing.

I want to tell you about an unexpected Outreach I did in Fitchburg, Massachusetts

My best friend (Steve) I had while I was in the Army in Korea died suddenly of a heart attack. He was 54 years old. I was asked by the family if I would come to preach his funeral. Here is the thing, I would be doing the second part, being that Steve and his family grew up Catholic. I had asked God to give me one more chance to talk to his family about Jesus and salvation. IF you have never been to a Catholic funeral it is very ritualistic, hard to understand. When I arrived at the church the Priest and I went over the order of how things would proceed.

When it was time to speak I was so nervous because of the Catholic surroundings. I first said some things that the family wanted me to say on their behalf, and then I gave the message I had prepared. Then comes the Salvation part of my message. A few times during my message I had mentioned with the Bible reference that there is only one name on earth that can forgive sin and that name is Jesus. That is major news to most Catholics. When I gave the Alter call around 75 people responded! Halleluiah!

After the service ended and everyone was preparing to go to the Celebration of Life segment, so many people came up to me and said: I have never heard what you said before until today. One lady said, I don’t know if you noticed but I went outside right after we prayed and called my mother and told her, you are not going to believe what I just heard! One couple told me that they could not believe that I had the nerve to stand up in a Catholic church and say what I said, but they were so glad I did. Steve’s son was in the hospital and could not make the service. I took the service to him, and he got saved also!

I will always preach the Gospel, in season, or out of season. That’s what I’m called to do.