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9 December 2008

Dear Friends & Supporters,

Greetings from Atlanta! I've just returned from Kiev and the Eurasian Bible School (Old Testament Survey and Interpretation). Students converged from many Russian-speaking nations, and the eagerness to learn and the quality of the fellowship were superb. Special thanks to Shawn and Lena Wooten for their support, and to Pavel Golub and Maria Lyashenko for their diligence in translating all the advance materials *and* me when I speak. All classes were filmed. Our guest speaker (for 90 minutes) was Igor Kuperberg, a high-ranking rabbi among Ukrainian Orthodox Jews. Everyone learned and came to more deeply appreciate the treasure we have in the Old Testament.

Immediately before Kiev, I spend several wonderful days in Lebanon, thanks to the sponsorship of our local church (North River) and a couple of brothers in the northeast U.S. who covered the airfare. The main feature of this newsletter is an inspiring report on the trip to Beirut. The final newsletter of the year will be sent later this month.

With appreciation for your prayers and encouragement,

Douglas

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BEIRUT REPORT (November 2008) BY MOUFID TOHME

Lebanon is a Middle Eastern nation, population 4 million, bordering Israel and Syria. Beirut is our beautiful Mediterranean capital. Languages spoken are Arabic, French, English, and Armenian. About 60% of the population is Muslim, although another 40% in our country affiliate to Christianity.

Lecture by
Dr. Douglas Jacoby

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Dr. Douglas Jacoby graduated in 1980 from Duke University (history). In 1982 he received an M.T.S. from Harvard (New Testament), followed by three years of postgraduate study at Kings College London. He took his doctorate in 1999 from Drew University (Christian Education). Douglas has had an international teaching impact for 25 years, preaching, teaching, and debating in 300 cities in 80 nations around the globe. He is a voracious reader, and has also completed 18 years of language study - focusing on Latin, Greek, and Hebrew. His broad base of learning and extensive experience in ministry enable him to connect with audiences and individuals worldwide.



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After many weeks praying for Douglas Jacoby's visit to Lebanon and the bold evangelistic event we had scheduled, the day finally arrived. For many weeks we had been advertising the Saturday evening meeting through radio, television, email, posters, flyers, and of course mouth-to-mouth. In faith we had booked one of the best locations in Beirut, the House of Physicians. Since we are a congregation of only 25 members, we did not know what to expect. We only knew that God would act.



In our largest turn-out since the church was planted, on 29 November we had 375 in attendance, including 350 guests! In fact, the total was 15 times the church's membership! It was so encouraging to watch the PowerPoint lecture entitled *Does God Exist?*, and see Dr. Douglas interacting with the visitors, many of them university students. The Arab television network SAT-7 was there, as were several dignitaries from the major denominations in Lebanon.





In addition to the evidences lectures, Douglas also led a leadership class, attended by most of the church (even some visitors). We also took in the sites of biblical Tyre and Sidon, which are not too far from Beirut.

The following day was our Sunday service. 65 visitors returned for this meeting, and over 20 new personal Bible studies were set up. Once again, SAT-7 was on hand to film the event, another PowerPoint called *Can We Trust the Bible?* We are also preparing for a special Christmas event on 19 December, and planning to invite all 350 of our visitors. Our single mission is to save souls; please pray for us that we may follow up effectively. All the glory goes to God!

-- Moufid Tohme
 Evangelist, Beirut Church of Christ

2009 INTERNATIONAL TEACHERS' SEMINAR

The theme, date, and location of the 15th annual International Teachers' Seminar have been decided. "Why Do the Nations Rage? Gospel Solutions to Prejudice and Separation" will take place 13-15 August in Atlanta, Georgia. (An appropriate choice of location, indeed!) Previous ITS cities include Athens, Berlin, Cairo, Chicago, Ephesus, Jerusalem, London, Paris, Rome, and Washington DC.

Further details will be published in an upcoming newsletter. All are welcome. (Note: next year's Biblical Study Tour, as previously announced, will be in Rome and Pompeii, in late October. See details at homepage under "Visit Rome.") The BST and ITS are separate events.

FREE 2009 AIM SESSION: FINALISTS

Following on from the special drawing (newsletter 20), we are pleased to announce 20 finalists. If you applied, your name just might appear in the list below. The winner will receive free round-trip airfare and full tuition for one of the five 2009 AIM sessions in the United States (Old Testament, Counseling, Archaeology, Church History & Worldviews, Family Life), a value of \$1000 or more. The final drawing will take place later this month.

Semifinalists:

- Lisa Brown (Ontario, CA)
- Emma Causey (Los Angeles, CA)
- Mike Cichoraki (San Diego, CA)
- Ivelisse Cruz (Oklahoma City, OK)
- Brad Dunn (Cincinnati, OH)
- James Hatchett (Dallas, TX)
- Carma Kuhn (Orlando, FL)
- Renee Lloret (Ft. Lauderdale, FL)
- Yesenia Mackie (Bakersfield, CA)
- Mary Nell Maule (Charlotte, NC)
- Jim McCartney (Burlington, MA)
- Vivienne Mercado (Los Angeles, CA)
- Tim Merritt (Phoenix, AZ)
- Ryan Painter (Toledo, OH)
- Janaya Patton (Charlotte, NC)
- Arthur Santiago (Brookfield, IL)
- Christina Shaw (Austin, TX)
- Barbara Stewart (Minneapolis, MN)
- Lai-Yan Tang (Boston, MA)
- Sherry Whitney (Tallahassee, FL)