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GNN Campus Tour Update:

The preaching on the University of North Texas finished off excellently. We continued to get inquiring crowds, and now that the campus became used to preaching, the heckling died down and the listening started to really take place. The crowd would just sit there in the shade for as long as we would preach and listen!

Today we went to the Southern Methodist University, a PRIVATE campus. We were talking one2one and giving out tracts. There was a table in front of the Student Union building advocating homosexual "rights" etc. When I found out what they were doing I was stirred up and stood up to preach. An instant crowd gathered, and the homosexuals started to really heckle.

We were on our way to a wonderful open-air, until I was pulled down from the Admin. Even the cops were called. BUT, the administration really liked us, and said they would sponsor us so we could preach! So we filled out the paper work and got a permit for tomorrow, sponsored by the admin of a private campus!!! Glory to God!

Re: Campus Tour Update - posted by sermonindex (), on: 2005/11/4 0:17

Wow what favor from God!! I am glad to hear the Lord working in so many awesome ways through GNN and you brothers that are being faithful.

Re: - posted by Eli_Barnabas (), on: 2005/11/4 9:39

Sounds awesome, brother!

Re: - posted by KingJimmy (), on: 2005/11/4 15:29

Sounds great :) That would've been horrible if they wouldn't have let you do any preaching on a Christian campus... a methodist one of all places! If I'm not mistaken, Dr Phil sent his son there.

Re:, on: 2005/11/4 19:55**Southern Methodist University**

Before we preached:

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When we preached:

http://openairoutreach.com/albums/colleges/S_M_U_Jon_Speed.sized.jpg

Southern Methodist University

November 4, 2005

What a wild day we had at the S.M.U. campus today. I started the preaching on controversial issues like homosexuality and abortion, and was able to work up a crowd of maybe 120 people after a very short period of time. Many students skipped class to hear us preach.

But, the crowd terribly hated my preaching. This "Methodist" University was full of fornicators, homosexuals, drunkards, etc. They railed me when I preached against their sin. I was aiming at getting them to the point that they felt they must either defend their sin, or surrender their sin; to give up their sinful life or try and take my life. I would not accept a lukewarm crowd if the gospel was being preached!

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Well, quite a few people in the crowd went wild to defend their sin. Many of them loved getting drunk, having pre-marital sex, being homosexuals. John Wesley would have wept if he saw the state of this "Methodist" University.

Just as I thought the crowd was going to shred me to bits and were on the verge of violence, Jon Speed took over and was able to calm them down a bit. Then Miles preached and then Josh did. When Miles explained that, if you don't believe in trucks and yet run into the highway, you'll still get hit. One mocker said, "Oh so you're trying to say God is like a big truck on interstate 75 coming to crash into me?" I jumped in and said, "That's a perfect analogy. That's even better than ours!" That silenced him quickly. But then we encouraged him that he can get off the highway and find safety in Christ.

The one2ones were pretty hardcore as well. Some students asked, "Where you guys at Texas Tech last week?" "Yes we were there." "Yea we heard about that." And the Texas Tech campus is tremendously far away from this campus! "Those who have turned the world upside down have come here also."

Though many of the professing Christians judged and condemned us harshly, usually because they too were getting drunk and sleeping around, there were some REAL Christians who were overwhelmed with joy at what we had done. One girl, Krista, was just about in tears afterwards saying, "We've been praying that God would do something on this campus." She said, "What you guys were preaching was exactly what Jesus preached, and the way the crowd responded was exactly the way it responded then too!" She said she wants to start open-air preaching in between her classes now!

The campus paper came out and took photos, a few interviews, etc to write up a story. I hope to see it on the front page when it comes out next week.

This campus hadn't seen someone publicly speak in their "speakers corner" for 2 and a half years, yet this campus has many different "Christian" groups! That short period of time reached a multitude with the gospel, and now the campus will continue to be in a stir over it. I pray the true Christians on campus will step up like Krista and start proclaiming the truth!

Re: - posted by KingJimmy (), on: 2005/11/4 21:01

Sounds like a pretty good place to preach at. How long do you plan on preaching there for? Such makes me more seriously consider preaching at Davidson College where I live. Technically it's a private "Christian" college, with affiliations with the PCUSA, but extremely liberal. There are some homosexual groups on this small campus, especially in the "arts" department which is pretty notorious for such.

I'm not sure because it is such a small campus, if I would preach open-air there. Though I've thought about attempting to start small debates, with the hopes of drawing small crowds, and doing things like handing out tracts. It's especially interesting because my brother-in-law is one of the top campus police officers. If I were to do open-air, I would probably preach actually from the street just outside the campus.

Re:, on: 2005/11/4 21:20

Talk to the admin and find out if they have a free speech area, and if there are any rules and policies for the public to use it.

Re: Campus Tour Update - posted by repentcanada, on: 2005/11/4 21:42

AMEN! AMEN! Great reports on the ministry brother Jesse, please keep us posted as often as you can. We are praying for you in Canada.