



be ready always to give an answer  
I Peter 3:15

earnestly contend for the faith  
Jude 3

## Fishers of Men

September 2013

### El Cajon and La Mesa Hot Rod Shows, Yorba Linda Park

The last Thursday of the month of August was the last La Mesa car show for the season. John and I went each week for most of the summer. We actually had some new people come and help. Martin, who I work with came several times last month. Brian, a Christian studying to be a pastor and attends the church I go to likewise came.

Several others during the month asked to be on our e-mail list for events and may come in the future. We are seeing more and more interest in evangelism and sharing the faith. 7 people said they would like to go to the border in a week or so. I pray that perhaps soon we could have 10 or more on an outreach!

An interesting individual comes to mind this month. One man I spoke with who was a fairly new Christian showed me the results of his life of drugs. Terrible marks in his arms and scars all over his face and the rest of his body where he tried to commit suicide by jumping through a plate glass window. He seemed truly converted and was carrying a Bible. His life now was committed to sharing his faith and helping other addicts. PTL.



Dianna had a delightful talk about the gospel with "Rome" at the car show in Yorba Linda. It turned out he's a very devoted Christian and eagerly took some million dollar bills to share.



These skulls and angel of death was on the hood of a custom car in Yorba Linda. The owner of the car showed me even the door jams had dozens of skulls painted there.



The man with the beard is the owner of the "death car" in the photo on the left. We had a very long and fruitful conversation.

## NEWSLETTER

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## La Mesa Car Show

I think this month John had the strangest of all conversations that we have encountered over the years. Actually this happened not once but 3 times in 3 weeks. An elderly man in his 80's seemed to be drawn to John on these 3 occasions since we usually would be on opposite sides of the street.

John tried to direct the conversation towards the gospel but this man was intent on telling John of the evils of the electric meter provided by SDGE on the side of his house. He claimed that when your electric meter is running it is actually removing brain cells from people in the house. Over time you could actually become totally brainless!

The good news is there is a web site on the internet that has a product that is available that neutralizes the affects of the harmful radiation being emitted by these meters. Each time he spoke with John he continued where he left off determined to make John a convert.

John never told him what he really thought but listened patiently hoping the man would leave peaceably which he did.

Thankfully most conversations are in the real world.



Here John is speaking to a car enthusiast at the El Cajon Car Show about the Gospel. If you look closely across the street was 4 or 5 Christians likewise sharing the gospel. You can see a Christian sign held up by one. It was a blessing we don't see often.

## Yorba Linda!

One of the nicest weekend get-a-ways for Dianna and me was a over night retreat to Yorba Linda just east of Disneyland. It was the weekend of our 43 anniversary. We chose Yorba Linda because we wanted to hear a minister we listen to on the radio each morning, Philip De Courcy. We went the day before, stayed overnight and then attended his church. We found perhaps the most delightful park we've ever been to, Yorba Linda Park. There was a hot rod show going on as well. We took our bicycles and decided to ride through and hand out tracts for a couple of hours

Most of the photos this month are from that outreach. The owner of the "death car" told me the reason for the skulls was they represented the valley of death. Somehow it reminded me of the 23rd Psalm where David says "though I go through the valley of the shadow of death I will fear no evil for thou art with me".

I used this verse to begin a very delightful conversation with him. He had no religious training nor any religious influence. He seemed quite interested in what I had to say and listened intently. I gave him a gospel of John and he said he would read it. God ordained for sure.



Here at the impressive Yorba Linda park I'm talking with Josh a devout Christian. He shared with me his witnessing at work and his encouraging Christians to live the faith. What a delight to meet and hear other believers and their desire for the things of God.

## What's Happening and What's Coming???

**Weekly Hot Rod Shows continue in El Cajon...** El Cajon continues its weekly hot rod shows for the remainder of September. Lord willing we will attend all of them for the next 4 Wednesdays. The La Mesa Hot Rod shows are finished for the year.

**Border Scheduled Sept. 7...** 5 are committed thus far for the border crossing outreach on the 7th of September. We have 2000 tracts. 1000 in English and 1000 in Spanish that we would like to give out. We also have 2 Spanish speaking people to be interpreters if needed. In the past there were many opportunities but no one spoke Spanish. I'm very excited about the new potential. Please pray for this event.

**Octoberfest La Mesa next month...** Well over 100,000 people attend the La Mesa Octoberfest, a 3 day event the first weekend of October. Lord willing we will go at least once.

May God bless your efforts to serve Him,

*Jerry and Dianna*