A New Year's Request From ASI

Happy New Year ASI Members & Friends!

The beginning of a new year is a great opportunity to rededicate your life to Jesus Christ and to ask Him to make you more like Him. It’s also an important opportunity to share the saving grace and love of Jesus with that one person you’ve been thinking about and wanting to share with.

Many of you know about the project in Las Vegas started by ASI, It Is Written, and the Nevada-Utah Conference more than two years ago. It began as a vision to reach not only a city but an entire world in need of Truth. In less than three weeks—on January 20, 2012—It Is Written speaker/director John Bradshaw will begin a four-week evangelistic series in the Cashman Center, strategically located in the heart of Las Vegas. The fact that the project has experienced all kinds of problems is a good sign. Why? Because it means the work being done there is both good and important.

We need your help making the Las Vegas project a success. First, we need each one of you to pray daily for the event. “If you ask anything in My name I will do it” (John 14:14). Claim that promise for the Las Vegas effort. Pray from now until the series ends on February 18, and then keep on praying! Pray for all those who attend the event in search of salvation. Pray earnestly for those who are making the event happen. Pray also for the Bible workers who are making contacts and giving Bible studies in the Las Vegas area on a daily basis. Pray for the 1300+ people who have already requested Bible studies. Pray for the ones who need to be at the event but don’t know about it yet. And finally, ask the Lord what else you need to pray for, and follow His guidance. Your prayers have never been more needed than they are today!

Second, plan to host a Bible study and presentation of the series in your church or home via satellite or the Internet. Join the churches and homes all over the world that will be downloading and sharing John Bradshaw’s messages locally. It’s not too late to participate!
Visit www.revelationtoday.com/host for instructions and information.

“The harvest truly is plentiful but the laborers are few. Therefore pray the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into His harvest” (Matt 9:37-38). Laborers are needed more than ever today—both in Las Vegas and in your own town or city. You are one of them.

Thank you for reading this and for prayerfully considering the calling it places on your heart to participate in this monumental evangelistic event. Please share this message with at least five other people and ask them to do the same!

In Christian service,

Terry Anderson
ASI Vice President for Evangelism

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Join Saving Las Vegas effort

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More than a year ago, work began in earnest to lay the foundation for a monumental evangelism press in Las Vegas. An ASI 2010 offering overflow project called Saving Las Vegas initially set the goal of reaching 1 million people worldwide. Bringing together a long list of ASI member ministries, as well as division and conference officials, pastors, and local church members, the project will soon culminate in Revelation Today, a 22-part prophecy series to be held January 20 through February 18, 2012, in the downtown Las Vegas Cashman Convention Center.

The success of the event, not to mention the entire project, will depend largely on the willingness and initiative of laypeople in hosting groups of Internet attendees in their homes and local churches around the world. A program of inspiring music and solid, reassuring Bible teaching on highly debated prophecy topics by It Is Written speaker/director John Bradshaw is planned. Viewers will be able to interact via the Internet and mobile phones during the live presentations.

The project kicked off when ASI leaders presented a New Beginnings DVD training series in the Las Vegas area. Bible workers from various ministries began working in the region, and various supportive outreach programs were held, including a presentation by Naturally Gourmet author Karen Houghton and a marriage seminar by Faith For Today's Mike Tucker.

All this led into a special four-day introductory series called Babylon Rising, presented twice daily from May 25 to 28, 2011, to a packed audience at the Cashman Center, as well as to thousands of host location groups watching live around the world. Instant surveys and the opportunity to ask live questions elicited responses from people in countries such as Lesotho, Zambia, Russia, South Korea, Australia, and Germany. Group host leaders reported a broad spectrum of attendees, including many people with heavy tattoos and piercings who asked searching questions about what it really means to follow Christ.

Babylon Rising provided a rich opportunity for local church members to work together on promotional efforts, as well as in one-on-one and small group Bible studies.

"It's incredible the way our churches and volunteers have come together for this event," said Nevada-Utah Conference president Larry Unterseher. "This far exceeded our expectations, and it was exciting to see a mostly non-Adventist crowd."

It Is Written continued to follow up with hundreds of Bible study requests that poured in from Babylon Rising, as well as from Project: Steps to Christ, another effort that generated broad interest in Bible study in the Las Vegas area.
Babylon Rising paved the way for the more indepth 2012 Revelation Today series. Revelation Today will follow the same general model as Babylon Rising, complete with onsite presentation at the Cashman Center, and Internet or satellite host groups around the world. The Revelation Today team members have high expectations with regard to the impact Revelation Today will have, based on the success of Babylon Rising.

For instance, an evangelical pastor brought his entire prayer meeting group to the Babylon Rising presentations. A man named Mike, who was visiting Las Vegas from Virginia in May, heard about the series on television. He accidentally showed up a day early and ended up delivering handbills for the program. "I just had to tell as many people as I could that they needed to attend Babylon Rising!" he said.

Estranged former church members were also impacted by Babylon Rising. "We’ve been away from the church for many years and have just decided we should look into coming back," one couple shared. "We attended church last week for the first time in forever, and this has helped us see that we need to be back full-time. We’ve made our decision. We’re coming home."

ASI vice president for evangelism Terry Anderson said, “What we experienced during Babylon Rising was tremendous. You could actually see the Holy Spirit convicting hearts. One young lady even said to me, 'I’ve attended Bible studies before, but none of them have ever gone in-depth like this!'"

Divine intervention, along with synergy between various media and Internet sources, yielded miraculous results. One young woman was able to hear the first Babylon Rising presentation despite the fact that she is deaf and had been unable to secure a needed assistance device prior to the program. A local pastor in Las Vegas received a call from a young mother requesting Bible studies. She said she’d seen his phone number on a billboard (although his number wasn't actually on that sign). After the series, it was revealed that her children had already been studying the Bible on their own with "Ms. Jean"—on My Place With Jesus, an It Is Written interactive website for children.

During ground-breaking efforts, two Bible workers, who had labored all day one day without success, visited the last address on their list. It was an apartment complex, and one of the Bible workers felt impressed to ask the apartment manager if she’d be interested in Bible studies. She happened to also be the activities director, and she invited them to hold a Bible study for the entire complex on Thursday nights. She said she expected 25 people would show up initially, and that the number would grow.

One young man approached Pastor Bradshaw after one of the meetings and announced, "You had a Baptist pastor here tonight."
"Was that you?" Bradshaw asked.

"Yes, and I'm really enjoying the presentations," the man replied.

With these memories fresh in their minds, the It Is Written, Nevada-Utah Conference, ASI, and Las Vegas team members are once again gearing up for the final push in Las Vegas. They are hoping and praying that church members around the world will feel the same sense of calling and urgency and join the team.

“The success of public evangelism is very dependent on the diligent work of personal evangelism," says It Is Written evangelism coordinator Yves Monnier. “We are building relationships with our neighbors, colleagues at work, and all those looking for something better in life."

Local efforts will continue to be supported by special programs, including an archaeology seminar by Tony Moore of The Biblical World, and a preparatory program for local church members by Ron Halvorsen Sr., who will encourage them to lay a foundation for the series through prayer.

ASI members and supporters are invited both to pray for the upcoming Revelation Today series and to consider hosting a group of attendees in their homes or local churches. The meetings will be live-streamed via the Internet, as well as airing on Hope Channel and 3ABN. They will also be made available for same-day download.

“Hosts can know that their guests will meet Jesus and grow in confidence in the Bible as the authoritative Word of God," promises Pastor Bradshaw. "Bible subjects once shrouded in confusion will be made clear. Hosts need not worry that their guests will be embarrassed or offended, as great care will be taken in these presentations to maintain Christian courtesy and sensitivity."

The series will also appeal to those who have stepped back from actively pursuing their faith.

For general information about the series, visit www.revelationtoday.com. For host sign-up information, visit www.revelationtoday.com/host or call 1-888-225-5449.

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