

CONVERSATIONS

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One of the many interesting things about being at Need Him Global is the number of people and organizations that are looking for help in sharing the Gospel. It usually involves asking if they could leverage our Echo response system or if we could be the response component of some campaign or idea. We respond to each offer and are always careful to make sure our beliefs are consistent and that we keep any calls, chats or texts focused on sharing the message of Jesus Christ.

We are about to celebrate our one-year anniversary with one of those unexpected partnerships. A handful of believers in Omaha, NE had a vision to simply remind people of who God is each week on local television. When we asked them what they were hoping to accomplish they responded:

We feel that these commercial spots are to arouse curiosity in the viewer about who God is. Jesus said, "And I, when I am lifted up from the earth, will draw all people to myself." We feel like this is what these spots are to be doing.

The commercial has no audio and airs on the

local NBC affiliate at various times throughout each month. The idea is to pull attention to the silence and simply remind people that God is there. It is not an action filled video filled with multiple images or fancy production but a simple message that sits on television screens demanding a response. We are grateful for this partnership and the lives that have been changed because of it.

Recently, another one of these unforeseen opportunities came along. An individual contacted us sharing that she felt led to create a mobile billboard with a call to meet Jesus. She had already spoken to a company that would create the billboard truck and drive it from south Florida to Boston and back along US Route 95 this winter. The message reads "Everyone who calls on Jesus Christ will be saved". It also includes ChatAboutJesus.com on all sides so people can learn more about what it means to become a follower of Jesus. We have no idea what impact this will have but undoubtedly many people will be reminded that we all need Jesus if we want to be saved.

May God continue to work in mysterious ways.

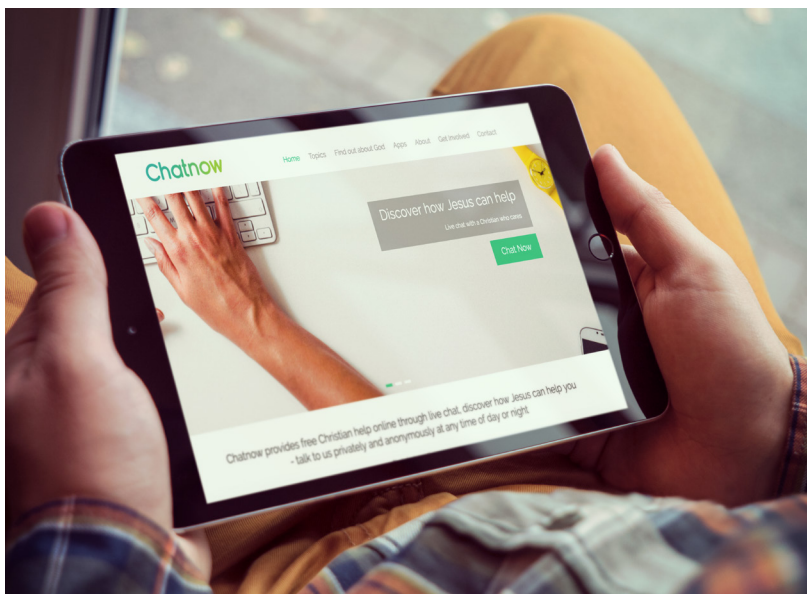


One thing we can all count on is that God is always moving and this is especially so when we start to get comfortable.

I am not sure you are ever completely comfortable in ministry but things were going smoothly late last year when the Lord encouraged us to seek more conversations and opportunities to share the Gospel. As we started thinking about where those could come from, an email came in from Matt Rich. We had never met or spoken to Matt but he found Need Him Global through talking to other ministries.

Matt is the Executive Director of ChatNow. This is a Christian internet ministry based in the UK for the past five years. Their desire was to offer live chat from their web site giving their many visitors the ability to ask questions about Jesus and Christianity anonymously. The UK is only 7% Christian and other parts of Europe are even more dark. The goal was to offer a place where people not as familiar with Christianity could explore faith and feel safe and in control. They needed a partner that could help answer those online chats and meet people lovingly when they most needed it.

Each organization did its due diligence and we started meeting via Skype to discuss a partnership. We quickly realized that God was answering prayers he had put on our heart as well as one he had given to Matt. They were getting online traffic that Need Him and ChatAboutJesus were not and together the reach was that much greater. They were also getting conversation from countries that we did not get much from such as Iran, Pakistan and Malaysia.



We launched ChatNow with our volunteers in November and saw over 8000 conversations in the first 30 days coming from 125 different countries. We share a desire to have more people hear the Good News and talk with people in dark places that are searching for God. This is an ideal partnership for Need Him Global as it drives gospel focused conversation into Echo for our volunteers to engage at no additional cost to the ministry.

Matt is thrilled because the thousands of visitors to their web site each week now have a chat option for live conversation. Matt said, "we have been welcomed with open arms, we have been encouraged by their willingness to partner with us in this work by giving us access to volunteers without requiring payment, which we wouldn't have been able to afford to pay! They have been helpful, attentive, desiring the best for us and for our partnership together in the Gospel." We celebrate when God brings people together to serve and build his kingdom. May God receive all the glory!

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How are you doing?

I'm alright, I'm just going through some things and wanted to see if anyone could help me figure some things out

I'm happy to listen and help work through it with you

I had a friend that died right before Christmas. It was a coworker. I have health anxiety because I am afraid of death.

I'm very sorry. That's really sad, death is very painful.

I am trying really hard to connect with my faith. I'm just scared. I've struggled with anxiety and panic attacks for years. I guess I'm trying to figure out how to stop being afraid of death.

Do you know what part of death you're scared of?

Maybe I'm afraid there's nothing after this life. I'm not sure. The pain, the feeling of being alone. Leaving the people I love who need me

Do you have any beliefs about what happens when we die?

Well, I believe that we go to heaven... but I am still afraid I am wrong. This anxiety has me questioning everything.

The bible tells us that all those who have put their faith in Jesus can be certain they have a place reserved in heaven. who is Jesus to you?

The son of God. He is our savior. But how can I be sure I'm doing things correctly?

That's the great thing, we don't have to worry about getting it all right, that's just not possible, we're just humans that make mistakes. That is why we must ask Jesus to come into our lives and help

So Jesus will be there in heaven?

Yes, definitely. Those who have asked him into their lives can be certain that they will spend eternity in heaven with him. The bible offers us that assurance

Why are there so many people that think the bible is not real?

because there's an enemy called Satan who just loves to try to keep people in the dark and feeling scared. he's a great liar

Chat taken from chataboutjesus.com



Need Him Global has a culture that encourages strong partnerships and advances the Gospel through collaboration over competition. One of my favorite examples of this is our partnership with **Christian Vision**. CV is a global Christian ministry with a strategic goal to reach a billion people with the Gospel. They have teams around the world and came to us last year before Ramadan.

In Islam, Ramadan is a holy month of fasting, introspection and prayer. Each day during Ramadan, Muslims abstain from eating or drinking from sunrise to sunset. They are also supposed to avoid impure thoughts and bad behavior. This is a significant holy season for Muslims.

CV had an idea of using media during Ramadan and offering Muslims an opportunity to chat with a Christian about what it means to follow Jesus. In other words, during a time when Muslims would be focused on God and truth, they could learn more about Jesus Christ. They needed a secure and robust response system to manage those conversations and a partnership with Need Him Global was born. It was an incredibly successful campaign.

The latest project from CV is with their North American team. The idea was to identify eight areas of common struggle and create a web site crafted to offer hope on each of those topics. The topics include alcohol, marriage, drugs, meaning, loneliness, gambling, pornography and financial struggles. The site is simple and clean with a video gospel presentation and a chat option within each topic area. This team is filled with



experts at using Google ad words and search engine optimization to drive people with these issues to a new web site called **Real Answers to Life**. What they don't have is a large base of volunteers ready to answer chats and meet people where they are to share Jesus Christ. This is where we came in to partner and respond to the people chatting from this new web site and share the Gospel.

This project has successfully created a platform for reaching true unbelievers. They are searching for anything on the internet that may offer change and

hope. They are seeking a way to break free of bad habits, a way to look at life differently, or a way to be forgiven for things they are not sure are forgivable.

On average, every hour of every day brings us someone from this web site. We treasure partnerships like these where one organization uses its skills and blessings to create more opportunities to share Jesus Christ and another utilizes its resources to talk with people that never have heard the good news and desperately need it in their lives.

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The beginning of a new year brings a chance to make new resolutions and commit to changing things in our lives that we know could be better. Sometimes those resolutions are about relationship, health, or finances. Others think about how they can grow closer to God and learn to walk more intentionally with Jesus.

One of the last commands Jesus gave his disciples was to **“go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit”** (Matthew 28:19).

As believers, we have a mandate to evangelize unbelievers, baptize believers, teach them the Word of Christ, train them to obey Christ as members of his church, and make disciples of all nations.

This sounds daunting and difficult. However, there is no better way to learn and place to start than by volunteering with Need Him Global. Online evangelism removes many of the barriers and fears that people have who have never shared the Gospel. To learn more about what is involved go to our website at:

<http://needhim.org/get-involved/#volunteer>



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