

Day after day, in the temple courts and from house to house, they never stopped teaching and proclaiming the good news that Jesus is the Messiah.

Acts 5:42



## SHARING THE FAITH

Sharing the Gospel for many is one of the hardest things as a believer, but it doesn't have to be. Oftentimes we make many excuses. Some no doubt are legitimate but only to a certain point. For example, we blame a lack of sharing the Gospel on technology, which allows us to gain access to enormous amounts of information including the Gospel. We reason that anyone these days can know the Truth, all they have to do is look it up on the internet. We blame it on the culture, which is moving further and further away from godly values and absolute truths, implying that people really don't care for anything God's Word has to say. We blame it on the unfriendly neighbors, who don't come out of their houses unless they are driving away somewhere. We think they don't want to be bothered, because they are probably too busy just like we are. We observe the animosity from TV personalities and think they represent every person we come into contact with. Whatever the excuse, we always find one. Even those of us who fall into the "missionary" category are in the same boat as everyone else.



There is another reason why sharing the Gospel is so difficult for most of us: Fear! Why? Because we've determined that sharing the Gospel has to be confrontational, and we don't want to offend someone and possibly have them not like us. However, I've got good news: Although the Gospel can certainly be confrontational, we don't have to be.

In December, I taught on the simplicity of sharing the Gospel in a non-confrontational way at a Hmong retreat for young adults. The response was very positive. During the seminars, I could see the looks on some of their faces. As I answered their questions, they started to realize how simple it was and that it wasn't their responsibility to convict and convert someone but to allow the Holy Spirit to do the work. That is the key! I hope and pray that they will put into practice what they have learned. It is wonderful to be able to share the Gospel with someone. I told them that if someone happens to put their faith and trust in Christ as a result of you sharing the Gospel with them, it will put you on a spiritual high and should motivate you to share your faith more often. If you'd like to know more, contact me for more info.

## PROJECT 316

Another 60 audio players were distributed in Vietnam recently, and we would certainly like to see more Hmong believers blessed to have an audio player. As I plan on making a trip to southeast Asia sometime later this year, I hope to visit many of our brothers and sisters in Christ and see firsthand how the players have impacted



their lives as well as others. This trip will be quite different since I will be visiting many places that I've never been to before.

*God bless,  
Mike, Sonja,  
Sinjin and Mikaela*



### Prayer Requests

Please pray for...

- *The young Hmong adults to be willing to share the Gospel with family and friends.*
- *Funds for more Project 316 audio players as well as the expenses of a trip to southeast Asia sometime later this year.*
- *Additional preparation and teachings that still need to be produced and placed onto the audio players.*