



experience gives me hope that there is purpose to existence; meaning to life. We are here for a reason, and we have a destiny. Your life matters to God. No matter what you may be going through, you must know that there's **not a chance** you are going through it alone.

For I know the plans I have for you," declares the LORD, "plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future. (Jer. 29:11) And it is because of this hope, that I can wish you a Happy New Year. –Pastor Randy

p.s. We will discuss this topic further this coming Wednesday night @ 7:00. Come join the conversation.

p.s.s. I want to thank everyone for helping Sabbath to be a wonderful day. What a way to kick off the series! To our children's Sabbath School leaders who missed out on main meeting, we thank you for your vital ministry! I would encourage everyone to invite friends and family members to these meetings. The vast majority of visitors Sabbath were there as a result of direct invitation from members, not advertising. YOU are the most powerful force for bringing people into the kingdom. But you knew that already, didn't you? ☺

Asheley Woodruff sent me the following email today from her brother-in-law. It contains a simple plan for personal evangelism. I think it fits perfectly with our meetings and beyond. Pray about it and experiment.

Ever wanted to do something for Jesus, but couldn't get the nerve to approach someone? I received an email from a friend, Homer Trecartin, who heard about this at a meeting in Korea.

#### 1752 Evangelism

It's quite simple, really. Essentially, you pray for 1 person for one week (7 days). After the week, you send or give them a book, tract or magazine. If you do that every week for the year, you will have prayed for 52 people. Hence, 1752 evangelism!

So, not to plagiarize, I'd like to quote Homer in his newsletter:

*"I thought about it for a month or two and then one day I said, "Homer Trecartin, what are you just sitting there thinking about it for – wishing you could do something but feeling you can't. Why don't you do it? Do the 1752 Evangelism. It won't cost much. It isn't terribly difficult.. Just do it!"*

*So I did, and it is really fun.*

*Each Tuesday morning I ask God who I should pray for this week (you can choose any 7 day cycle you want). All week long I pray for them and talk to God about what I should give them (I also ask Him how I should give it to them). Some weeks it has been neighbors. Some weeks it has been extended family members. One week it was my barber and another week it was a taxi driver I sometimes use to get to and from the airport. But each week, by Monday morning, I knew what to give them and how to get it to them. Sometimes I dropped a book in the mail. Sometimes I hung it on their door with a note. Sometimes I carried it around with me for several more weeks till I saw them and gave it to them in person. Sometimes I have ordered them a subscription to the Signs magazine. It is amazing how many different ways there are to try and touch*

*their lives even if I don't see them for weeks at a time.*

*Maybe you would like to make a New Year's resolution to give it a try. You don't have to commit yourself to the whole year to start with. You could simply set a goal to experiment with it for one month and see how it goes. Maybe, just maybe, if you and I become that Adventist "plant" in our neighborhoods it will inspire someone else to be the "plant" in theirs, and who knows where it will go from there!"*