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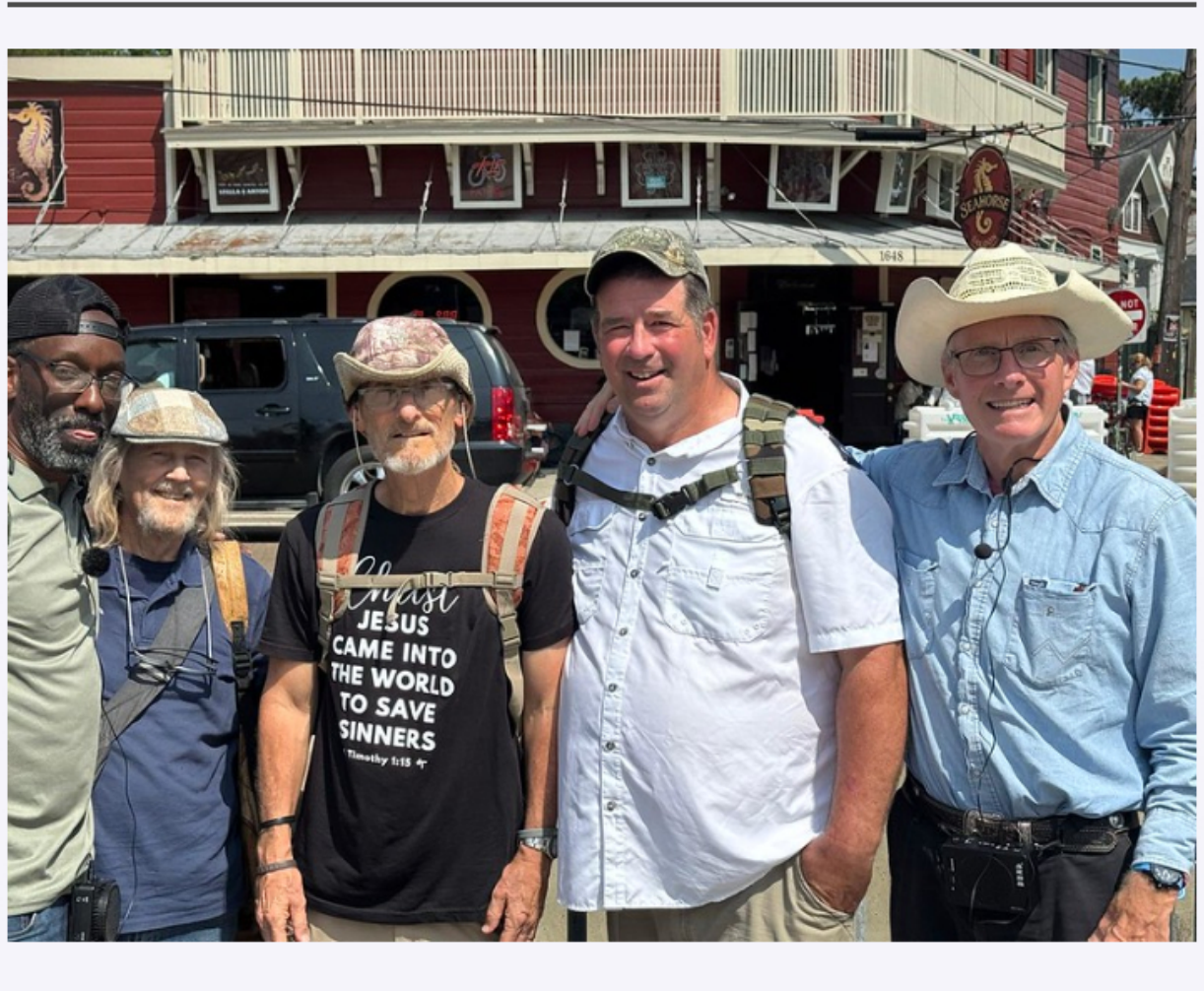


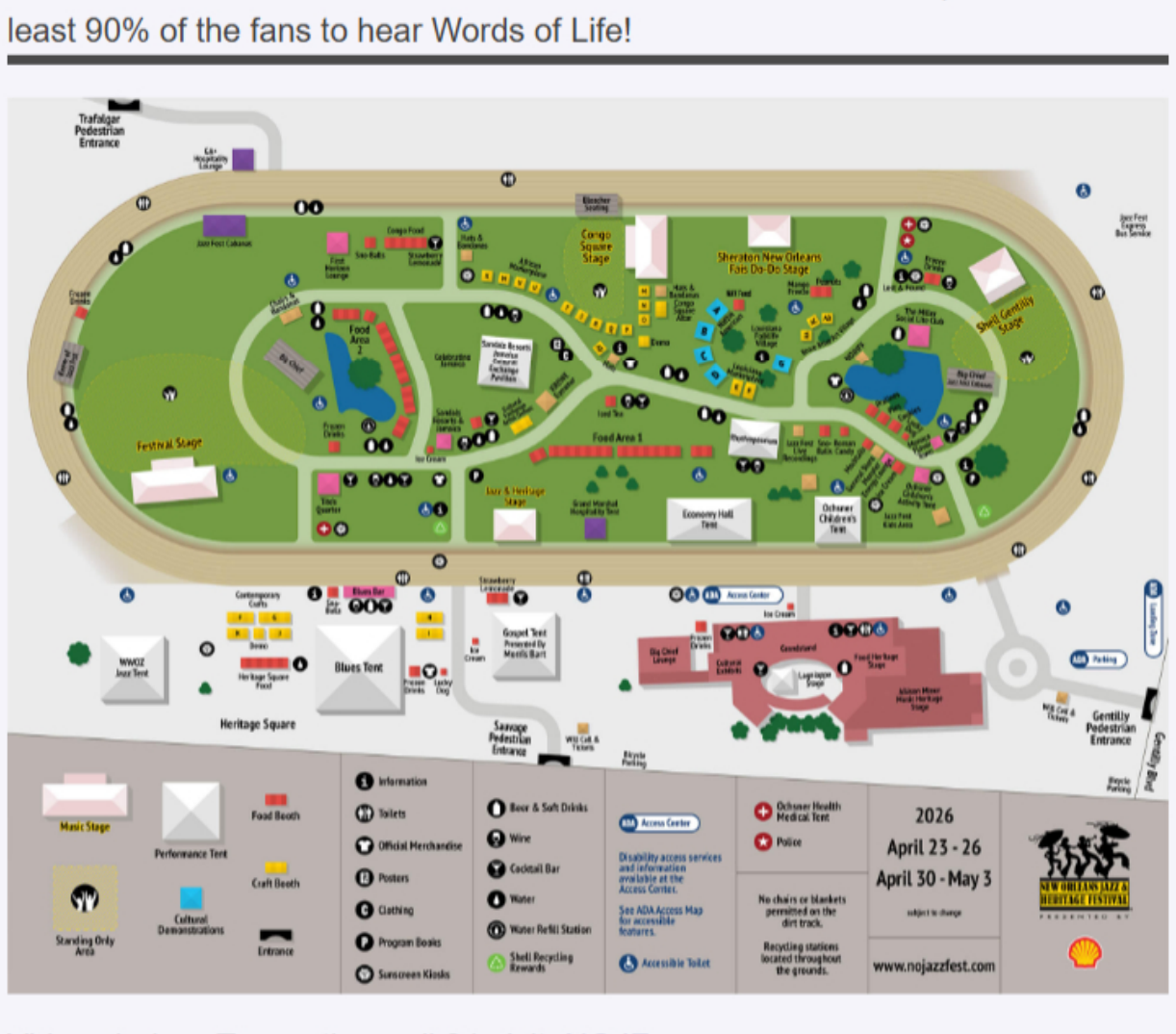
Dear {{ contact.SALUTATION }}, above is the New Orleans Jazz Fest Team. Left to right: Gary Gardner, Montgomery, AL; John Shelton, Austin, TX; Tom Brewer, Walker, LA; Mark Yoho, Sugar Valley, GA; and me.

You can see them and off of the pictures and videos from the Jazz Fest at the bottom of this page: NOJF.

The Jazz Fest's attendance in 2025 was 460,000 over two 4 day weekends. We were at the first weekend this year. It was an exploratory trip to see if it would be a good annual event for SFOI. The Jazz Fest is largest event in Louisiana.

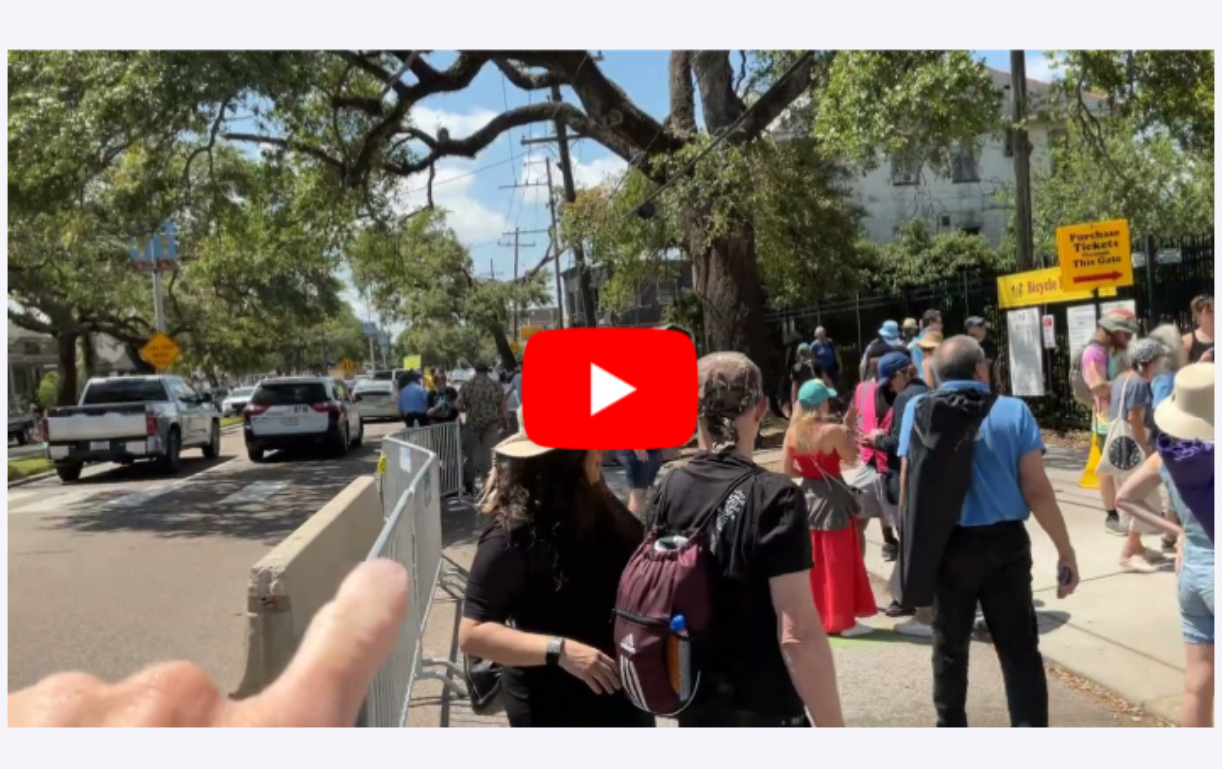
The Jazz Fest was held at the Fair Grounds Race Course which is about 10 minutes northeast from the French Quarter.

We are stationed at the 'Gentilly Pedestrian Entrance' on the bottom right of the map below. The fans would walk to the gate from the right and left sides of the Gate and we were able to divide into two teams of two and be in place for at least 90% of the fans to hear Words of Life!


Trafalgar Pedestrian Entrance
Congo Square Stage
Sheraton New Orleans Fais Do-Do Stage
Shell Gentilly Stage
Festival Stage
Food Area 1
Food Area 2
Economy Hall Tent
Blues Tent
Heritage Square
Sauvage Pedestrian Entrance
Gentilly Pedestrian Entrance
Music Stage
Performance Tent
Food Booth
Craft Booth
Standing Only Area
Cultural Demonstrations
Entrance
Information
Toilets
Official Merchandise
Posters
Clothing
Program Books
Sunscreen Kiosks
Beer & Soft Drinks
Wine
Cocktail Bar
Water
Water Refill Station
Shell Recycling Rewards
Access Center
Accessible Toilet
Ochsner Health Medical Tent
Police
No chairs or blankets permitted on the dirt track.
Recycling stations located throughout the grounds.
2026
April 23 - 26
April 30 - May 3
subject to change
www.nojazzfest.com
NEW ORLEANS JAZZ & HERITAGE FESTIVAL

Videos below. To see them all 31 visit: NOJF.

Above is the initial video show the ministry location about 30 minutes after we arrived Thursday. You can see the Main Gate. Two of us would be on the left side and two on the right for four days.



Another view of the Main Gate on Thursday. You can see the crowds at the beginning of the day.

Gary preaching as the fans go into the Main Gate. He's talking about 'Amazing Grace'.

Gary joined Mark on the left side of the Main Gate. You can see Mark distributing tracts as Gary preaches.

This is another longer view of Gary and Mark working together. Consistent crowd flow.

Bill shows Main Gate on Saturday at 10:50 AM.

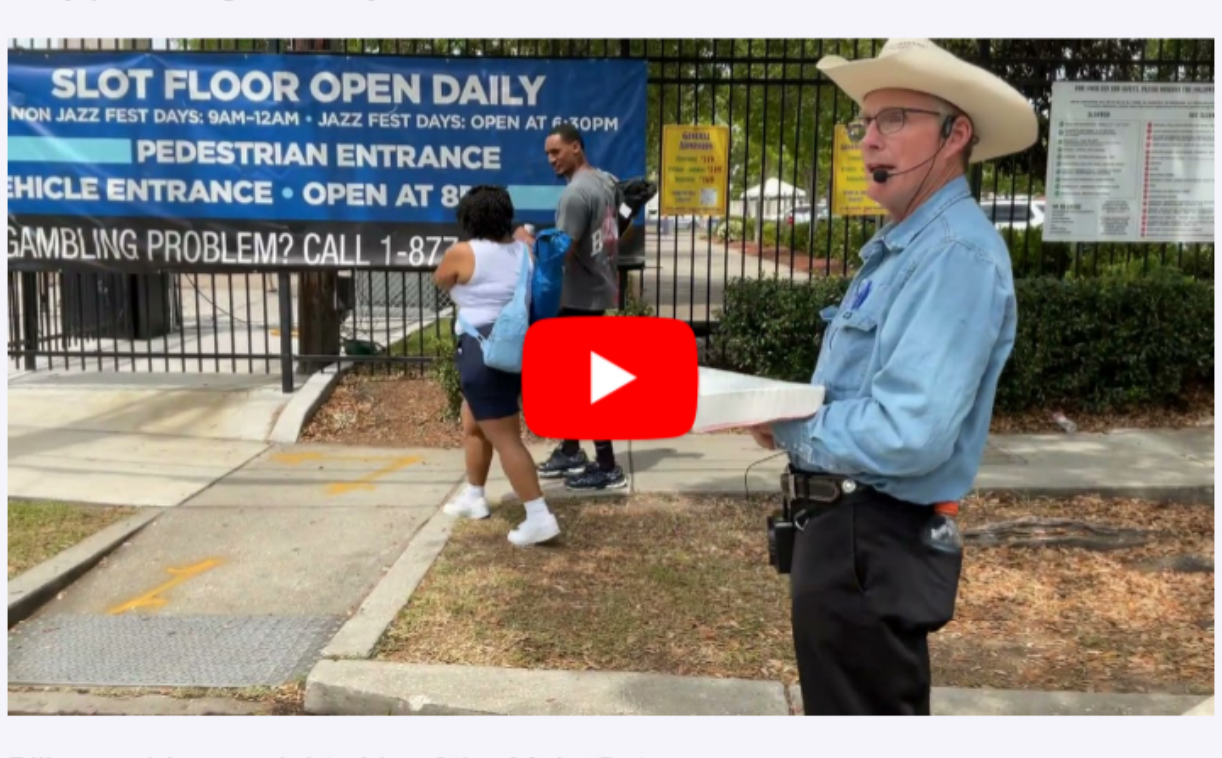
Bill shows Main Gate on Saturday at 1:45 PM. The largest crowds arrived on Saturday.

Tom preaching on the left side of the Main Gate.

Mark preaching on the left side of the Main Gate on Saturday.

Gary preaching on Saturday on the right side of the Main Gate.

Gary preaching Saturday.



Bill preaching on right side of the Main Gate.

Pictures below. To see them all visit: NOJF.

The young man in the middle talked with us throughout the four days. He was selling something and had various spiritual conversations with us.

Lt. Monteverde was very friendly to us all weekend. We had a chance to chat with him about his 31 years of service. He was supportive of us.

A view of the crowds from the left side of the Main Gate.

A Jazz Fest fan heard the preaching of Mark and came over to be encouraging.

Gary and John. Great fellowship continued with this group of evangelists. This was only Gary's third SFOI event. John and Mark have known each for ten plus years.

Gary in the red shirt. You can see the line of fans waiting to get to the Main Gate.

Wonderful visual of the Ambassador of Christ proclaiming Life to souls.

Praise the Lord {{ contact.SALUTATION }} for the Jazz Fest working out so well. Excellent ministry location. Liberty to preach. Easy into the area and out

Rejoice with me again that so many souls heard Words of Life! May God give the increase!

Grace & peace,

Bill
423-724-7500

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Below are the Gospel Invasion Event Leaders in chronological order.

Joe Hinson is the leader for the next two events:

- Super Bowl Outreach in San Francisco.
- NBA All-Star Outreach in Los Angeles.

Alex Burt
College Football Championship: Jan 16 - 19 Miami, FL.
Alex Burt
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Bill Adams
Gasparilla Pirate Festival: Jan 31 Tampa, FL.
New Orleans Jazz Fest: April 23 – 26 New Orleans, LA.
Montreal Grand Prix: May 22 – 24 Montreal, Canada.
SFOI Evangelist Boot Camp: June 8 – 12 Chattanooga, TN.
Commonwealth Games – Scotland: July 23 – Aug. 3
NFL London: Oct. London, England.
Bill Adams
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BELIEVE ON THE LORD JESUS, & YOU WILL BE SAVED. ACTS 16:31

Joe Hinson
Super Bowl: Feb 5 - 8 Santa Clara, CA.
NBA All-Star: Feb 13 - 15 Inglewood, CA.
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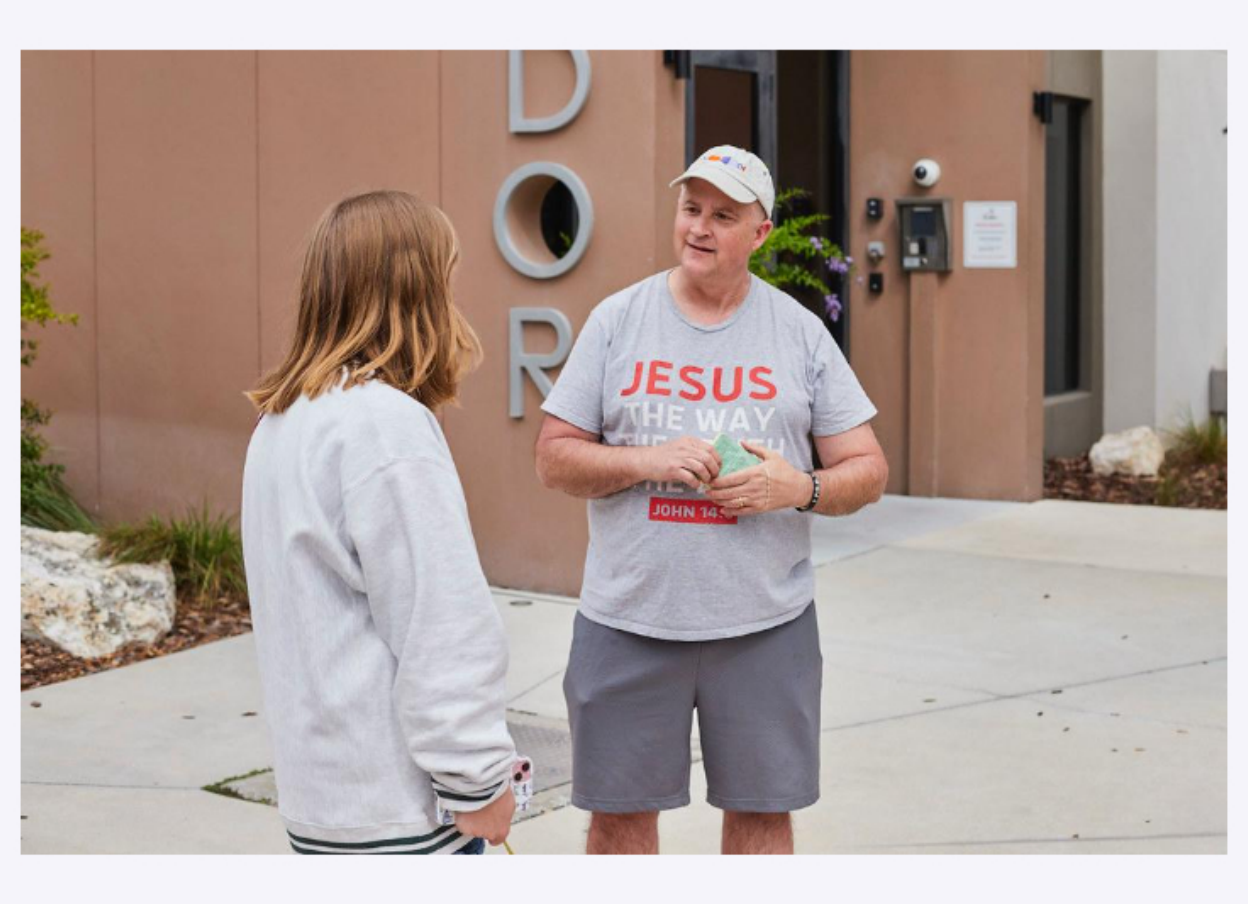

Brad Madewell
St. Pete Grand Prix: Feb 27 - March 1 St. Petersburg, FL.
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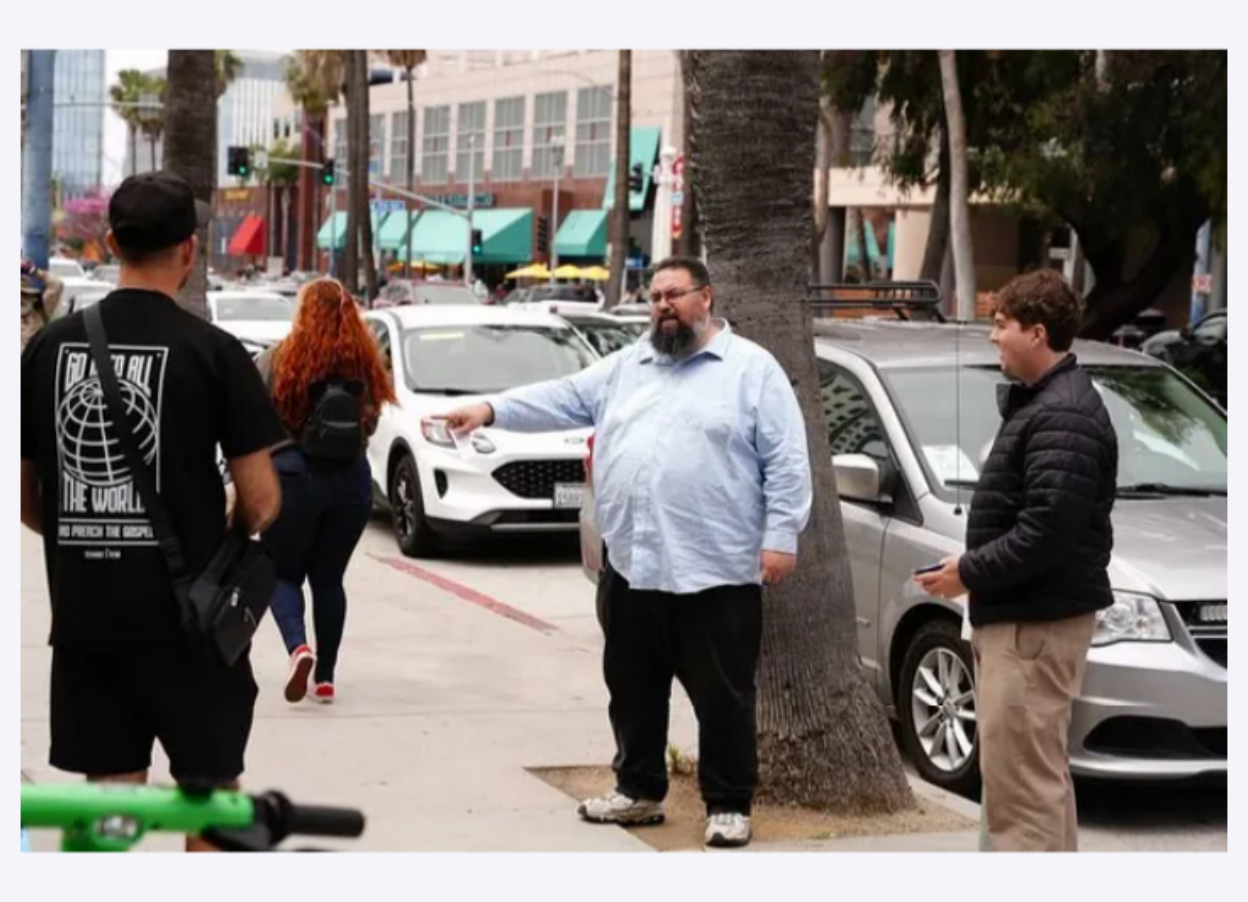

Rick Garland
Long Beach Grand Prix: April 17 - 19 Long Beach, CA.
Rick Garland
Lomita, CA
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theGospelBeacon@gmail.com

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Matthew Cochran
NFL Draft: April 23 - 25 Pittsburgh, PA.
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Bobby McCreery
Kentucky Derby: May 1 - 3, Louisville, KY.
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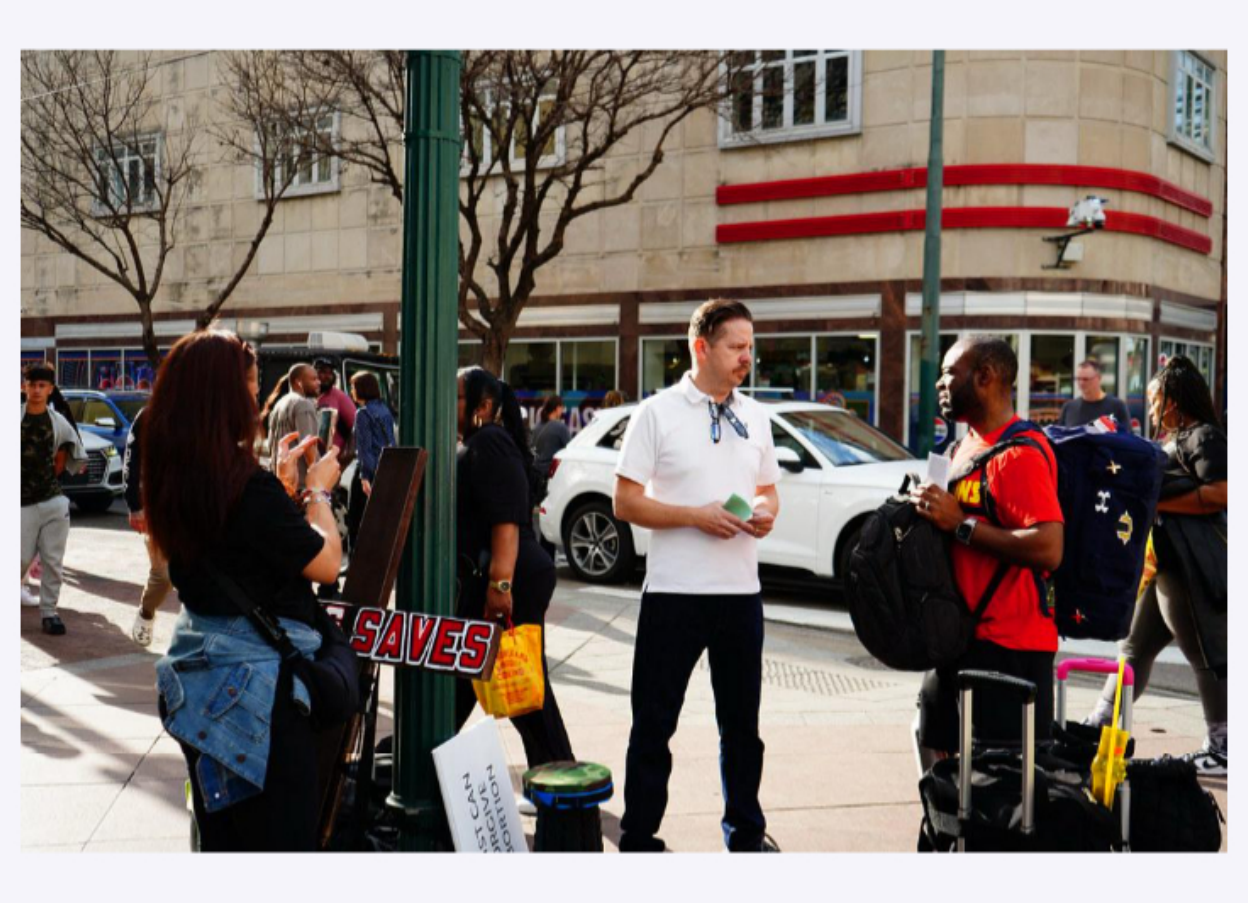

Joshua Tubbs
Miami Grand Prix: May 1 - 3, Miami Gardens, FL
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Jason McGough
Blue Crab Festival: May 15 - 17 Little River, SC.
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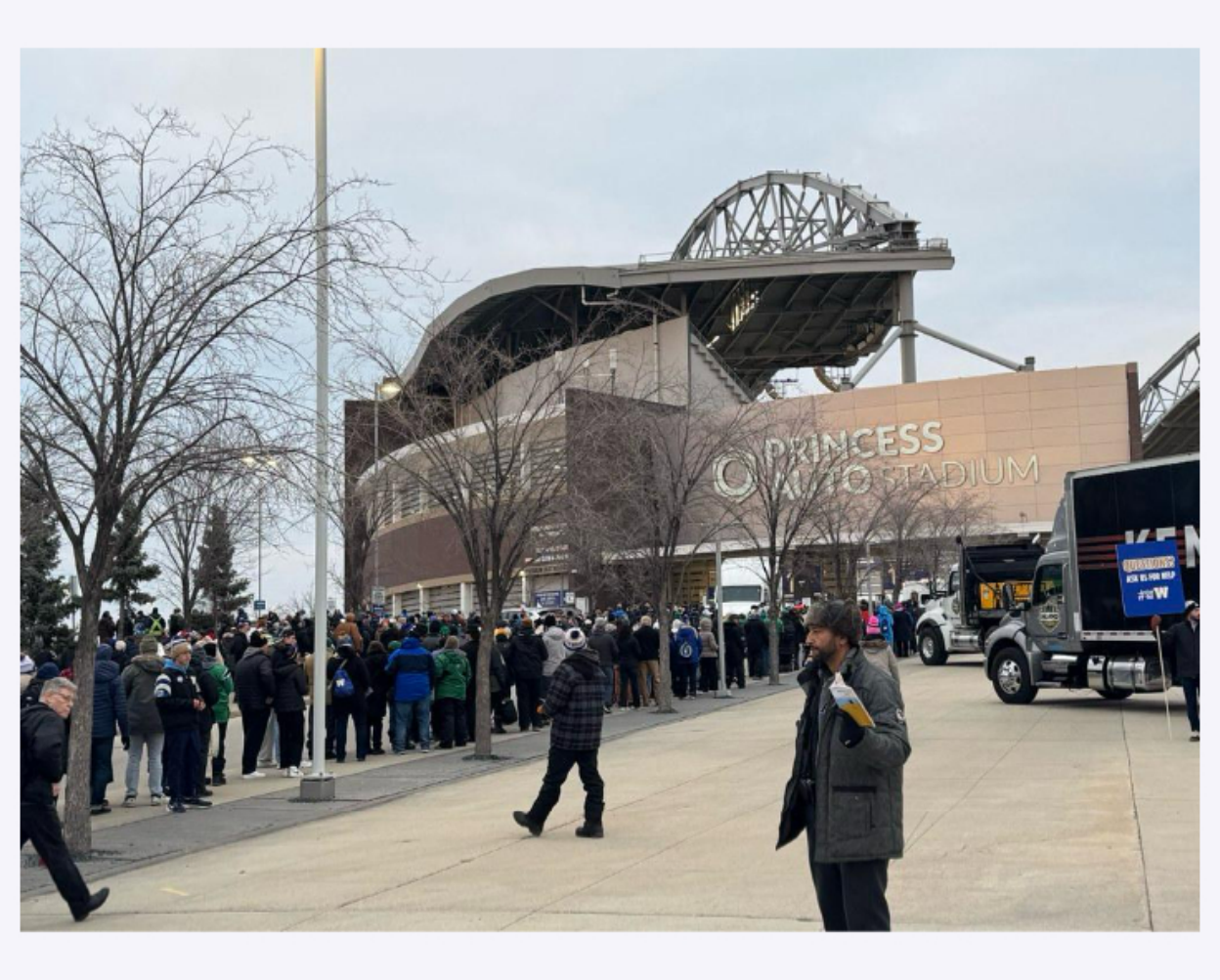

Daniel Bayssassew
Niagara Falls: May 22 - 25 Niagara Falls, Canada.
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by grace alone
through faith alone
IN CHRIST ALONE

Corey Lindsey
Bonnaroo Music Festival: June 11 - 14 Manchester, TN.
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Jeremy Chong
Taste of Chicago: Mid Summer Chicago, IL.
Jeremy Chong
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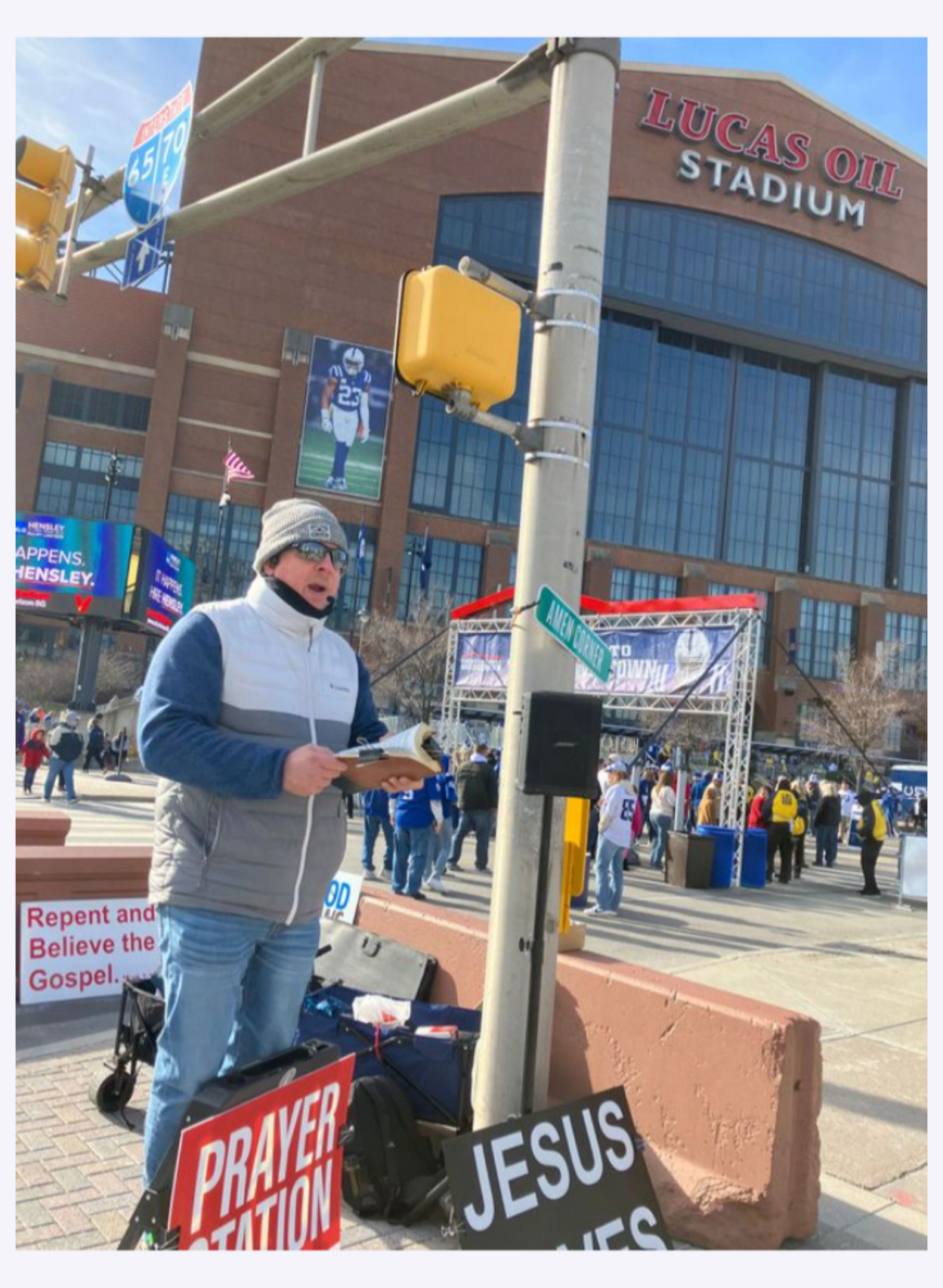

Steven Kendall
Red, White & Boom: July 3 Columbus, OH.
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Roy Nembhard
MLB All-Star: July 11 – 14 Philadelphia, PA.
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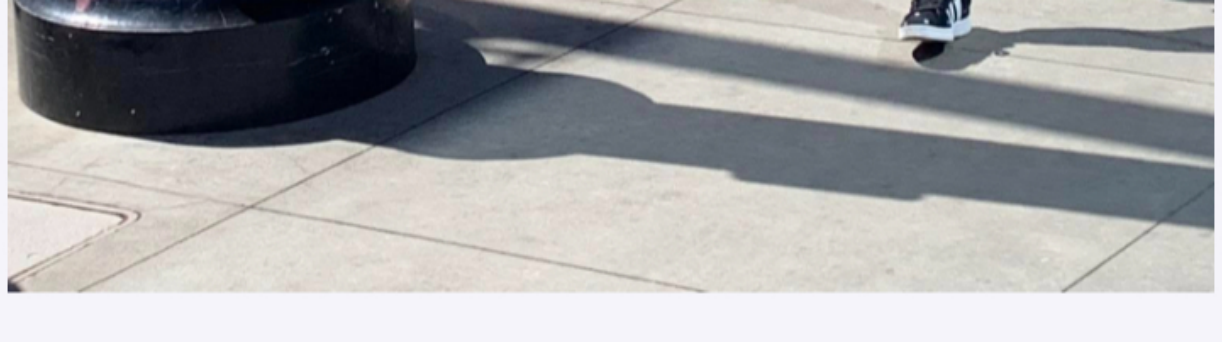

Ben Gonzales
Music City Grand Prix: July 18 - 19 Nashville, TN.
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Heath Pucel
US Open: August 23 - September 13 Queens, NY.
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Heathpucel@gmail.com

Nick O'Berry
DragonCon + AFLAC Kickoff: Sept 3 – 7, Atlanta, GA.
Nick O'Berry
Graniteville, SC
813-215-3829
Nickoberry@outlook.com

CHRIST DOES NOT ACCEPT YOU AS YOU ARE
YOU MUST BE
BORN AGAIN

Tom Cabral
Fall Tour: New England Colleges: Sep 9 - 12, Boston, MA.
Tom Cabral
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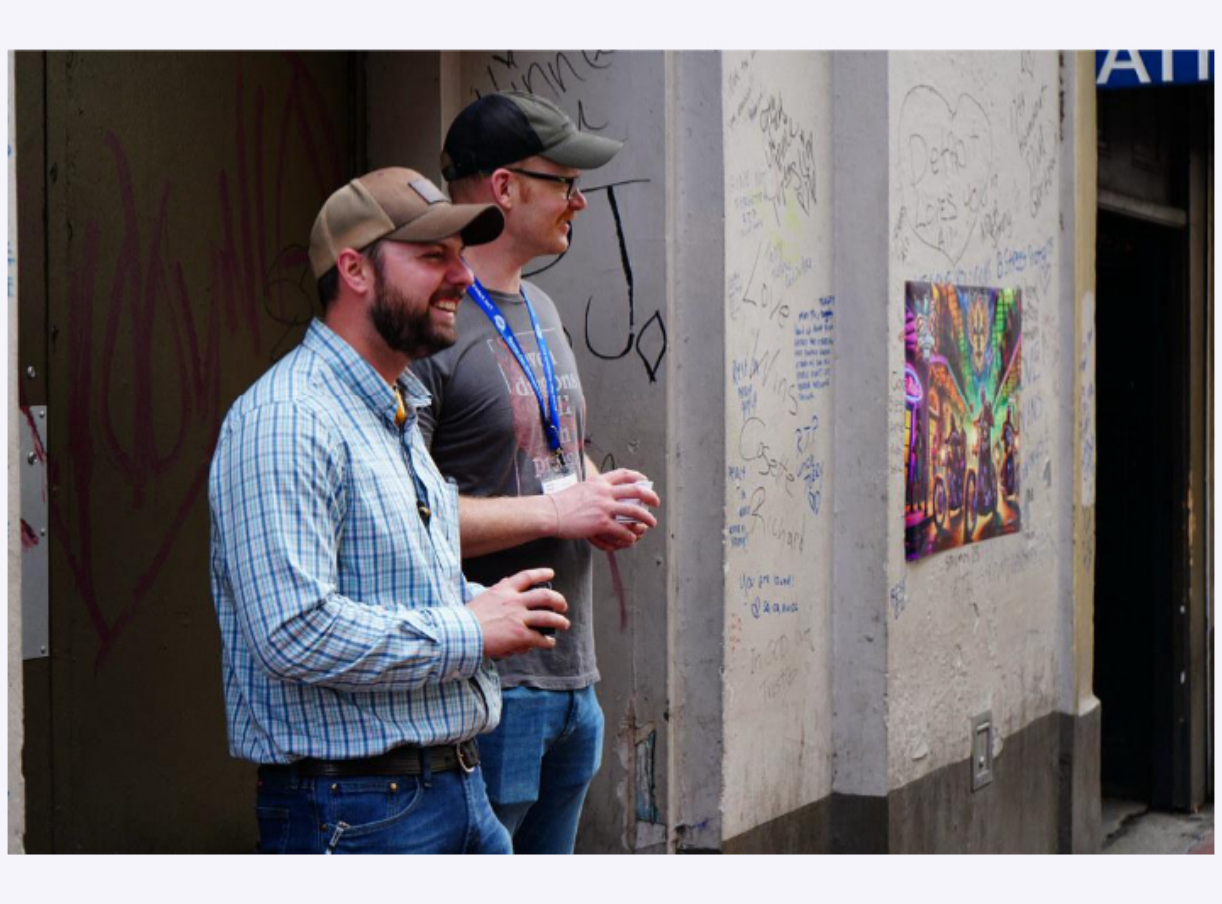

James Cartwright
Beyond Borbon: Sept. 24 – 27, Louisville, KY.
James Cartwright
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731-267-7747
jjtraviscartwright@outlook.com

Jason Sleichter
Neptune Festival: Sept. 25 – 27 Norfolk, VA.
Jason Sleichter
Hampton, VA
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jasonsleichter@protonmail.com

WHERE YOU SPEND ETERNITY
Do you know Jesus Christ

Tommy Waltz
NC State Fair: Oct. 23 - 26 Raleigh, NC.
Tommy Waltz
Raleigh, NC
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Diego Sandoval
Mexico City Grand Prix: Oct. 30 - Nov. 1 Mexico City, Mexico.
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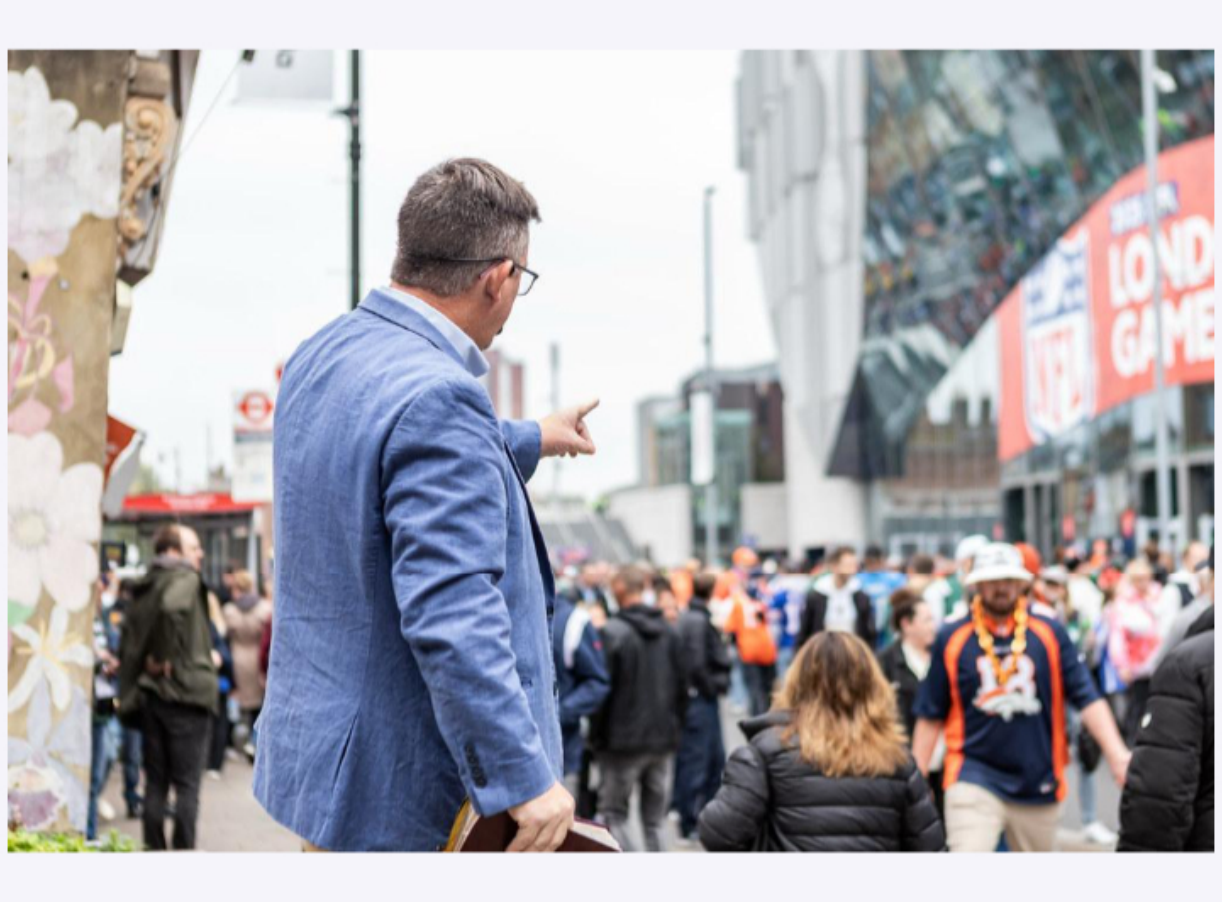

David Day
Peanut Festival Nov. 6 – 15 Dothan, AL.
David Day
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