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A vibrant street scene in a mountain town. A row of flower boxes, filled with green foliage and red and orange flowers, hangs from a wooden building. In the background, a large green tree stands on a hillside, and a group of people is visible on a balcony of another building. The sky is blue with some clouds. The text 'CEMBER' and '23' is overlaid on the image.

Psalm 19:8 (NIV)

MIRACLES AND MOMENTS OF GRACE: SHARING THE GOSPEL AND BIBLES IN IRAN

My first venture into Iran was an exhilarating rollercoaster of faith as I carried 80 Farsi New Testaments through Customs. Nervous energy pulsed through me, and my heart raced like a drumbeat. Approaching the x-ray machine, a stern Customs agent demanded my suitcases. A silent plea for a miracle escaped my lips in that tense moment. Then, like a burst of sunlight, the agent exclaimed, "Are you tourists?" With a forceful nod, he declared, "You're Americans! Love America!" Relief washed over me, and I couldn't help but whisper, "Lord, You truly rule over the nations!"

With their exceptional friendliness and warm hospitality, the Iranian people made my journey truly special. At a shrine honoring their poets, the pride in their music, literature, poetry, and history echoed through every greeting. Junior high and high school boys, discovering our American identity, eagerly shook our hands, hugged us, and wielded camera phones like prized possessions. In one unforgettable encounter, a 14-year-old Persian seeker asked, "Is the Messiah dead or alive?" His eyes lit up with joy as he learned of Jesus' resurrection, and he jubilantly exclaimed, "He's alive, He's alive!" - a moment of pure, unbridled joy.

As my time in Iran drew to a close, a chance meeting in a bustling market led to a divine appointment in a Persian carpet shop. Despite my empty pockets, the shopkeeper invited me for tea. Seated with him, I shared the Gospel and my testimony. His tear-filled eyes spoke volumes as he clutched the Farsi New Testament, exclaiming, "I have the Word of God. I have the truth!"



The impact reverberated further, offering hope and purpose to a university student who saw no future in Iran. Each New Testament shared became a beacon of light illuminating paths once shrouded in darkness.

During my second trip, carrying 220 Bibles, a Customs challenge brought unexpected joy. In a confiscation room, the sight of New Testaments lit up a man's face. When our tour guide requested one for himself, the man hid it away, a treasure safeguarded.

Even airport security became a platform for sharing the Gospel. Guards, intrigued by the New Testaments, chose reading over suspicion. A moment of levity ensued when questioned about a potential bomb, turning a potentially tense situation into laughter.

The stories echo a resounding truth: Iran is a land ripe for the Gospel. Excitement swells as God touches hearts, and I fervently believe that a wave of Iranians turning to Jesus is on the horizon. Amid these thrilling encounters, it's clear that the transformative power of Christ's love knows no bounds, breaking through barriers and paving the way for a glorious spiritual awakening in this vibrant nation.



-Patrick Klein
Director of Vision Beyond Borders

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