

Gospel Trick Shot Newsletter July 2022

Dear Gospel Trick Shot Friends:

Gospel Trick Shot continues to expand around the world and you are part of it all! Please check our calendar items to pray for and thanks again for your continued prayers and support!

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Thanks, Steve Lillis, President and Founder [www.gospeltrickshot.org](http://www.gospeltrickshot.org)

GTS News July 2022 by Steve Lillis

June Recap and GTS Projects Report!!

JUNE RECAP:

This past month GTS RACK team members were busy all over the USA doing GTS shows and networking with friends and partners in and out of the billiard industry. On the home front Steve Lillis did a Gospel Trick Shot show on the GTS portable pool table on June 14th at the Westampton Stables in Mount Holly, NJ working with Down the Stretch Ministries, Inc. This show linked <https://youtu.be/YCh7zhwAcLU> has been seen online so far by 773 people to date on our GTS RACK Rooms Facebook page.

Tom "Dr. Cue" Rossman was at the BEF Junior Nationals in Las Vegas the following week holding special times of Christian fellowship and sharing the new website [www.gtsrackrooms.com](http://www.gtsrackrooms.com) which has already been seen by many people since we launched it two months ago.

Mike Massey also recorded another exciting music video this past month on YouTube linked at <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=soE7SfSYh30>. It is called "Thank You Jesus."

In Florida, our new GTS partner ministry "His for Life Ministries" with Pastor Jason Kopta reports the following on June 26th:

"Greetings in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ. I want to start by giving glory and honor to our Lord and Savior Jesus who is the King of Kings and Lord of Lords. My name is Jason Kopta and I'm Pastor of His for Life Ministries based out of Avon Park, Florida. June was our one-year anniversary of holding our men's ministry meetings at B.C. Billiards in Sebring, FL. I had no idea when the Lord told me to go there that there was such a big ministry in the billiard world, let alone a ministry called Gospel Trick Shot! Wow! God is amazing!

On March 1, 2022, I met Steve Lillis and Tom "Dr Cue" Rossman who were traveling with GTS helpers Rusty Barnard and Walter Oppermann. They are all wonderful men of God! They could not believe a pastor was in the pool hall doing ministry and I was wowed that these guys have a ministry that travels around ministering to people in pool halls. I was amazed at how God was working!

Since that first meeting with them, I also met through Steve and Tom another pool player Rob "The Hurricane" Peacock who has since rededicated his life to Jesus and is now a faithful member and regular attendee of our His for Life Ministries Church.

A short time later through Steve Lillis, I also met World Champion pool player Mike Massey who was really struggling at the time. Since his time down here recovering the past two months in Sebring, FL, Mike has allowed the grace of God to work in his life to receive the healing that he needs. He is now a man on fire once again for God! He also is a faithful member and regular attendee of His for Life Ministries Church. Both Rob and Mike help with the men's ministry. They are having an impact on the men that attend and the teenagers love them. I have also watched them grow in their ministry and they have been hitting the streets for Jesus! They share the love of Jesus every chance they get.

Fruit of our Men's Billiard Room Ministry is that there has been at least 14 salvations and many more rededications of lives, marriages that were once on the brink of divorce being reconciled, and families that were torn apart are being knit back together. A Bible study was started at Highlands Mobile Home Park community center where Mike and Rob live which has a billiard room. Steve and Tom did a show back in February and prayed that God would start a Bible study there. The Lord did exactly that a short time later! We have an average of about 15 attendees every Tuesday morning at 10:00 am. Let me just say this, hard hearts who said they would never love or forgive are now loving and forgiving. We are seeing many lives changed by the love of God simply by being obedient and holding meetings at a billiard room in our community and the mobile home park. Praise God!

Thank you, Gospel Trick Shot, for all you do and for being a partner in this journey with His for Life Ministries.

Victory in Jesus, Pastor Jason Kopta"

#### GTS PROJECTS REPORT:

We are planning to send a GTS RACK team to Morocco in October to compete in the World Blackball Pool Championships and do Gospel Trick Shot shows for the players and fans in attendance. We have also donated \$4,500 so far to "God at Work for Kids" ministry in Lusaka, Zambia for a water well and to fix the roof on the orphanage. We are in the process of starting up a pool table factory so that the church can make pool tables to generate income to buy land to farm. The Zambia government has granted them an entrepreneurial tax exemption to manufacture pool tables as long as all the money goes back into the God at Work for Kids ministry. We need \$7000 for the power tools and the initial supplies to start making 5 tables to sell at \$1,000 each which will be reinvested in the next group of pool tables to be made and so on. Please consider giving to this amazing project!

Steve Lillis also met with the deacon board of the Madison Ave Baptist Church in Paterson, NJ to seek approval to launch a billiard café and billiard training academy in the inner city of Paterson where Gospel Trick Shot began almost 25 years ago. There are two pool tables already there in storage that have been donated to Gospel Trick Shot and a third pool table on the way. Please pray as the congregation will meet together hopefully soon to approve this project.

Additionally, GTS RACK team members will be traveling out West in August for more ministry opportunities. Please check our calendar for a listing of events and please pray! We are also considering merging with another Christian billiard ministry and placing it under the umbrella of Gospel Trick Shot Ministries, Inc. We are expanding rapidly and covet your prayers!

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