

Gospel Trick Shot Newsletter January 2023

GTS News January 2023 by Steve Lillis

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2022 Holiday Recap – What wonderful gifts our GTS adopted children at the God at Work for Kids orphanage in Lusaka, Zambia received on Christmas Day! Please visit [GTSRACKRooms.com](https://GTSRACKRooms.com) and click on the character named Reddy (Special Needs) for pictures of the children on their new bunk beds, waiting patiently for the pizza party to begin, and then finally enjoying their first ever Christmas pizza party! We praise the Lord for all who gave to make this possible! Special thanks to Wayne Parker of South Africa who was the GTS administrator of the project!

Here is a video link of Steve Lillis sending Christmas greetings and performing a Christmas gift Gospel Trick Shot to the children and the country of Zambia as news media in Zambia covered the entire event!

<https://youtu.be/jbQTX91HK-E>

On the home front here is New Jersey Steve Lillis spoke at the last NCS gathering before Christmas encouraging the men to “surrender” all to Jesus! Steve shared what God has been doing in the past few years to lead him to a place of more surrender to the Lord’s will, plan, and purpose for his life. Here is the 25-minute video of what Steve shared in his testimony!

<https://youtu.be/J57fUjGUArI>

To our knowledge the first ever blackball pool table was delivered from England and set up in the USA at the Hawthorne Gospel Church (HGC) in Hawthorne, NJ during the holiday season. GTS friends and supporters have gathered around that table for holiday fun and fellowship. Mike Massey is currently residing in the HGC missionary housing and with Steve Lillis they have been working on new GTS Artistic Blackball shots. Mike and Steve are also preparing at HGC on the blackball table for a tour of England and Ireland with Tom Rossman and Coach Wayne Parker joining them the end of January.

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Winter 2023 Outreach – The winter is prime pool and billiard season in many places around the world as the weather is cold and people are doing indoor recreation like billiards. Even the USA media understands this and in December “ESPN’s 30 for 30” featured billiard superstars Jeanette “The Black Window” Lee and “60 Minutes” featured Shane “The South Dakota Kid” Van Boening on their broadcasts. Both Jeanette and Shane have been part of Gospel Trick Shot Bible studies and part of Gospel Trick Shot shows in years past! Jeanette ended her documentary by being baptized with her daughter and Shane spoke against the negative elements that hurt the game of pool in the USA.

Gospel Trick Shot has always started the New Year and the winter season off with a bang and this year is no exception. Our January calendar includes a whirlwind of events lead by many of our GTS RACK Team members. Mike Massey and Steve Lillis are continuing to team up for events in the Northeast while Wayne Parker and Tom Rossman will join Mike and Steve in England in January. Brian Pauley and Michael Hewitt and other GTS friends and partners will be in the Midwest at the Derby City Classic in Indiana. Tom, Mike, and Steve will tour Ireland in early February while Steve and Mike will head to the West Coast for the rest of February. Steve Lillis will then head to Orlando, Florida to do GTS shows for an NCS retreat in early March while other GTS RACK team members will join on

in Florida for the rest of March. Once the warm weather begins to come in the spring the prime billiard season begins to slow down but never ends. Gospel Trick Shot adjusts to the weather as the GTS portable pool tables both in Indiana and New Jersey come out in the warm weather for both indoor and outdoor shows.

Please pray for GTS as 2023 is a big year as we celebrate our 25th anniversary with a GTS celebration banquet in the new Fellowship Hall at the Hawthorne Gospel Church on July 15th followed by four Sunday services in the sanctuary on July 16th as part of the HGC Summer Bible Conference “mission focus weekend” at the Hawthorne Gospel Church in Hawthorne, NJ. Please pray and mark your calendar!

Psalm 33:3 – “Play skillfully with a shout of Joy!”

Enjoy and God bless!

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