

GOSPEL TRICK SHOT MINISTRIES, INC. NEWSLETTER



JUNE 2025

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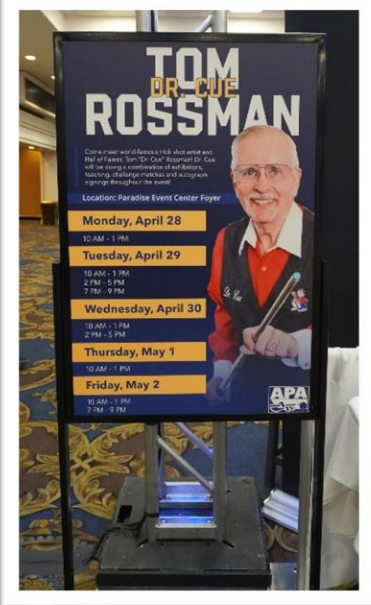
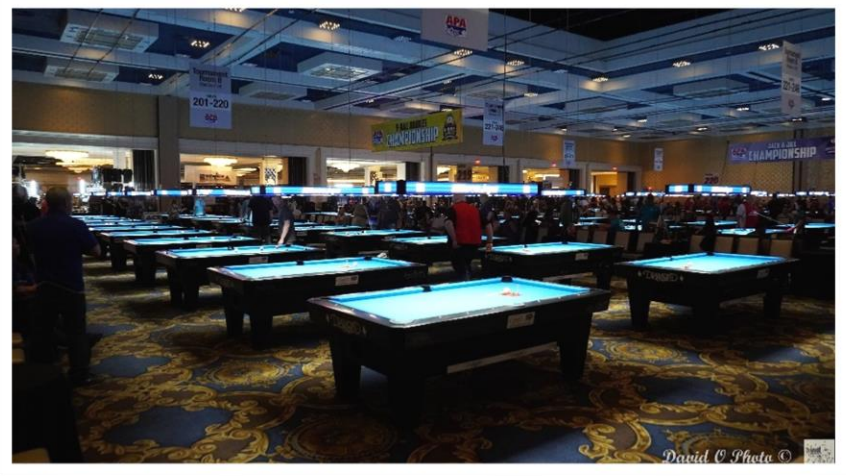
Gospel Trick Shot Shows in New Jersey – On Friday May 16th Steve Lillis did a Gospel Trick Shot show on the GTS portable pool table at the Hawthorne Gospel Church in Hawthorne, NJ. The outreach was sponsored by the Adult Singles Ministry and food and drinks were provided. Videos of GTS RACK team trips to Morocco in 2022 and South Africa in 2023 were included. Steve mixed in two sessions of live Gospel Trick Shots with a main theme of “walking by faith and not by sight.” An invitation to trust Christ was given and people responded and shared testimonies during the concluding fellowship time.



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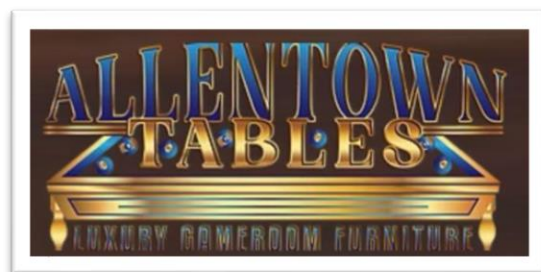
Las Vegas Event Outreach – GTS/RACK team member Tom “Dr. Cue” Rossman shared the love of Jesus both “on and off” the pool table during the last week of April and the month of May at three Las Vegas billiard events. Q&A sessions were held to discuss biblically-based principles including the “game of the heart” and the “game in the mind.” GTS friend and supporter David Orlov, professional photographer and Las Vegas resident, volunteered his time and talent. Themes of “Play Skillfully with A Shout of Joy” and “RACK Up a Victory in One’s Game and Life” highlighted numerous Holy Spirit door-opening opportunities for witness.

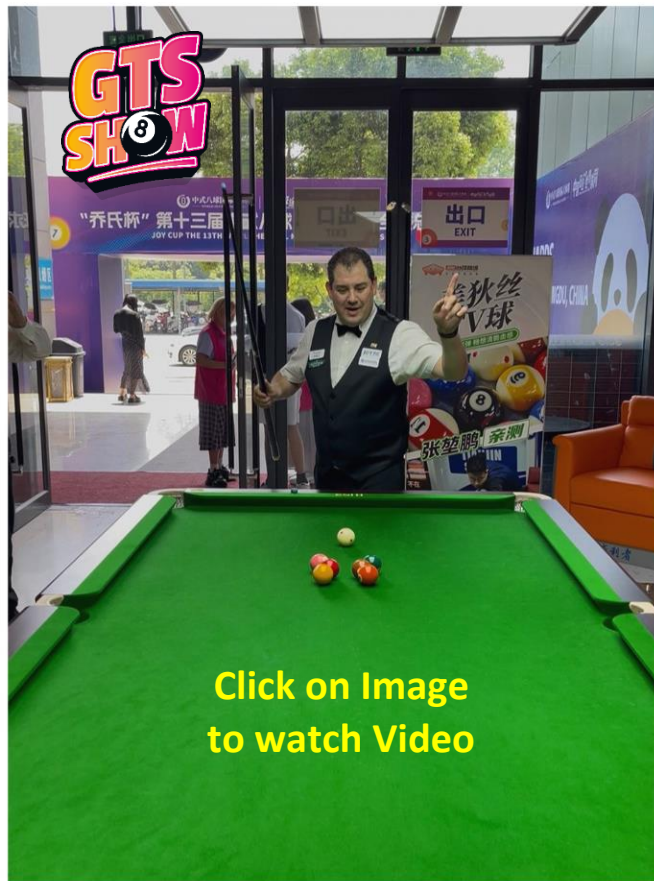


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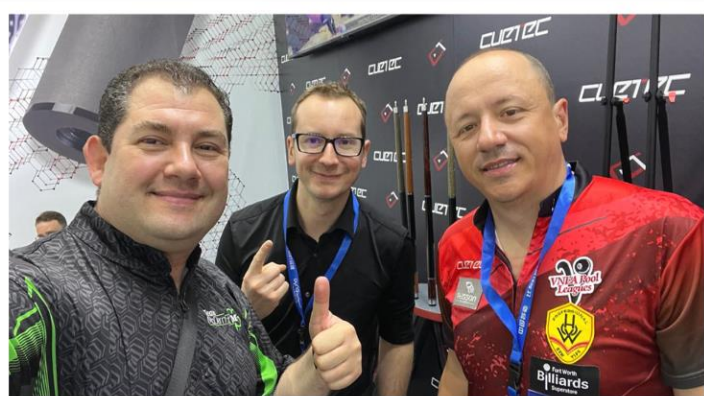
Chengdu and Guangzhou, China - Wayne Parker and South Africa GTS team members, Hardus Hoon, Joy Willenberg, traveled to China in late April and May for two major billiard events for the purpose of establishing Christian Chinese contacts for future Gospel Trick Shot shows and ministry. Jason Lynch, President of the Artistic Pool Division, also joined the team in Chengdu for the event. Strategic Gospel Trick Shots were performed on the demo table provided at the main qualifying arena. Prayer meetings and Bible studies for players and billiard company owners and employees were held. Spiritual decisions were made and a Christian Chinese translator has joined our GTS team to assist. Plans for a Chinese GTS team are now possible with our new Chinese translator/leader. Wayne and Jason not only performed Gospel Trick Shots at the event, but also ministered to several significant people off the table, who were deeply touched by the gospel and the power of God! As a result of one of these meetings a significant door has opened for GTS ministries to possibly reach Kenya in Africa with Gospel Trick Shot shows and establish a Kenya GTS team.

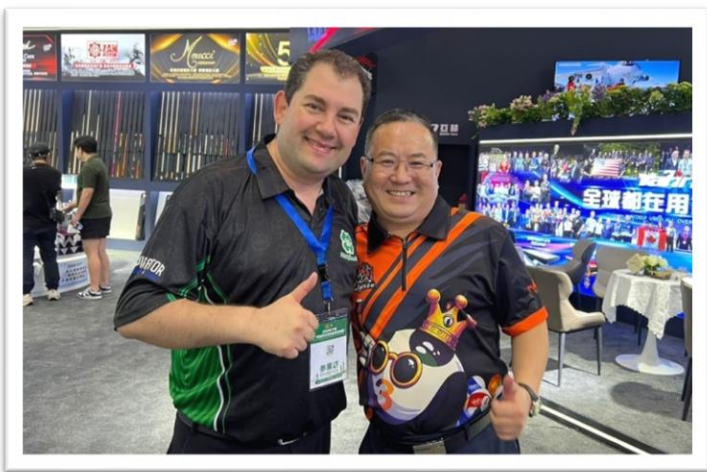
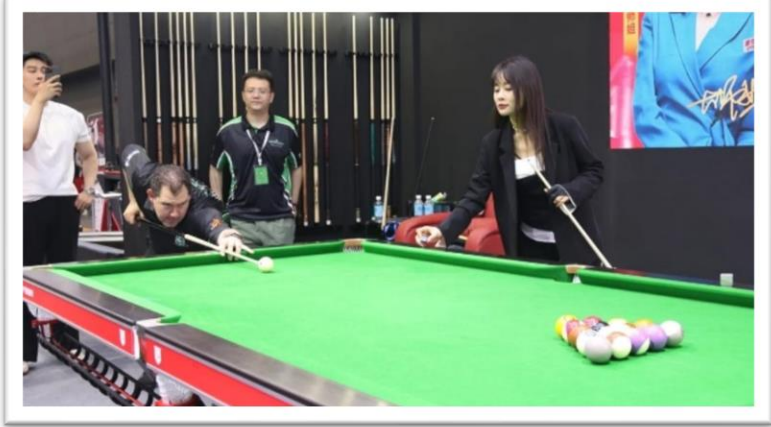
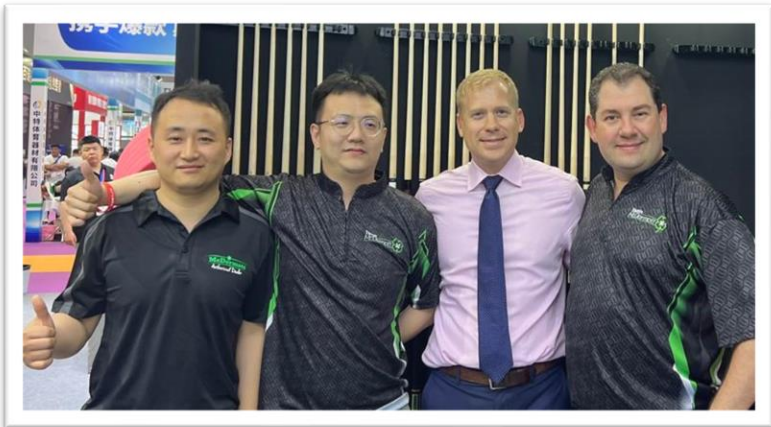




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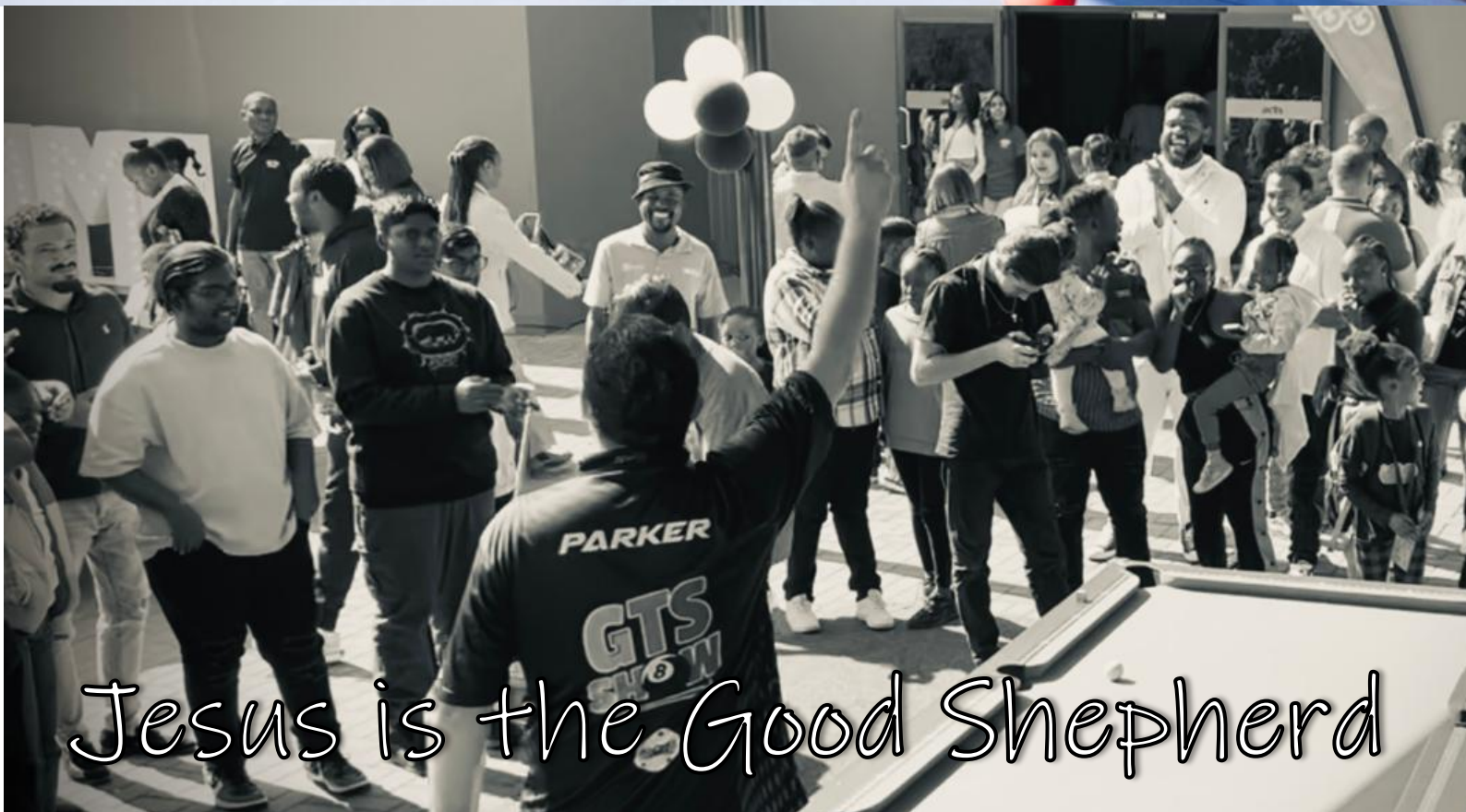
Wayne then traveled from Chengdu to Guangzhao to a second event, and met up with major billiard companies who have agreed to partner in supporting Artistic Pool events in the future. This will open further doors to reach China and the rest of the world with the gospel. Please pray for China and future opportunities.





4 JOHANNESBURG, SOUTH AFRICA

Johannesburg, South Africa: On Sunday May 18th Wayne Parker did two GTS shows in Johannesburg, South Africa for all who were in attendance at Acts Christian Church on the main campus in between services. A pool table was provided on the campus grounds directly outside the main entrance and good crowds attended to hear Wayne's messages using Gospel Trick Shots.





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GTS SHOT OF THE MONTH

Gospel Trick Shot #64 – The Price Was Paid



Mark 8:36

What good is it for someone to gain the whole world, yet forfeit their soul?

"You will always be bang on the money, when your trust is in Jesus!"

History of the Trick Shot: This shot performed by Wayne Parker is done on a Chinese 9-foot pool table which has snooker type pockets, using a nap cloth which is made up of very fine bristles, brushed in one direction from the head of the table towards the foot cushion. This shot is also featured in the Artistic Pool shot program as the tie-breaker shot when two players are tied during a head-to-head play-off. A dollar bill is used and a cue ball which played around 8 to 9 rails and landing on the dollar bill. The player who gets closest to the bill wins. This shot can also be done on an American type pool table.

GTS Name and Why: The name of the shot is called "The Price Was Paid" and demonstrates that God paid the price for us to have eternal life. The 3-ball represents the blood of Jesus and how this was payment for our redemption which was accomplished when God sent His only begotten Son who was the price that God the Father paid for our eternal life. The 3-ball shot across 8 rails and eventually lands on top of a dollar bill signifying that through the blood of Jesus the price was paid in full. We would not want to exchange our soul for a million dollars, yet God paid a greater price with His own blood that we might have eternal life in Him.

Scripture Reference: Mark 8:36 (NIV) "What good is it for someone to gain the whole world, yet forfeit their soul?"

Cue Ball Placement: 3-ball placed about half a diamond from the long rail and side pocket as diagramed. This shot can also be done on either side of the table.

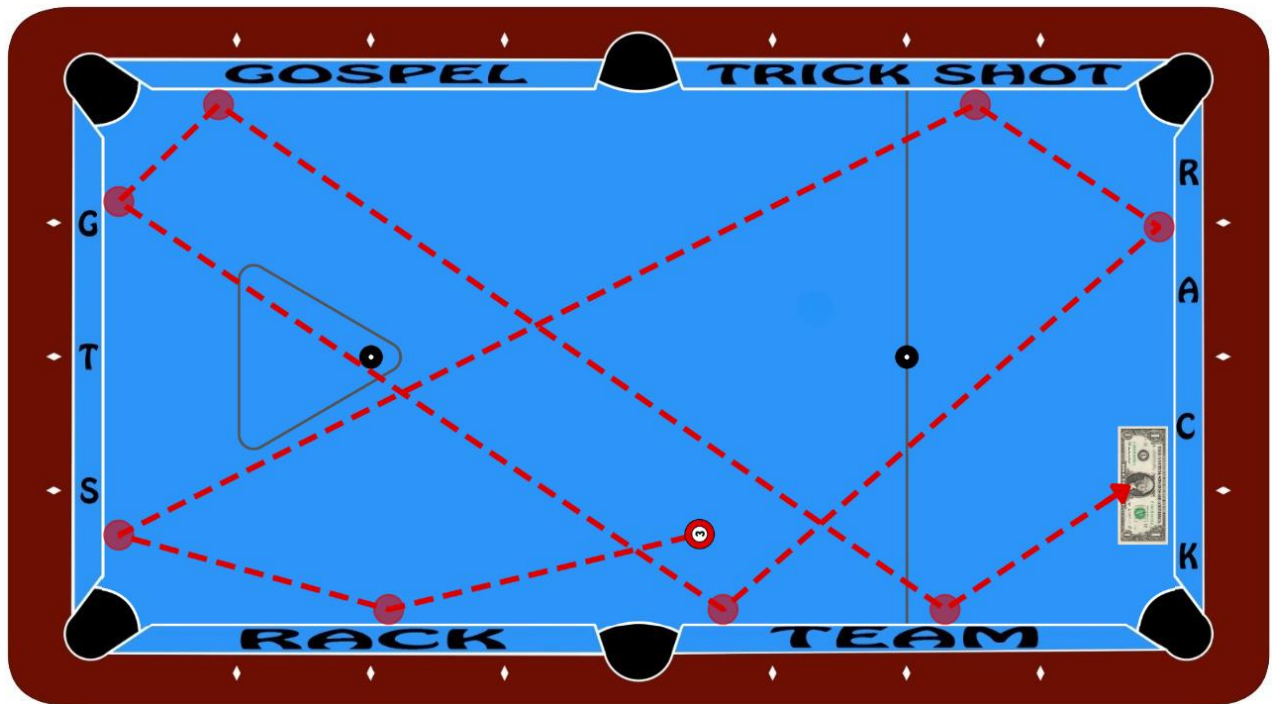
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Object Ball(s) Placement: Only the 3-ball used as a cue ball and a dollar bill placed near the corner pocket as shown in the diagram.

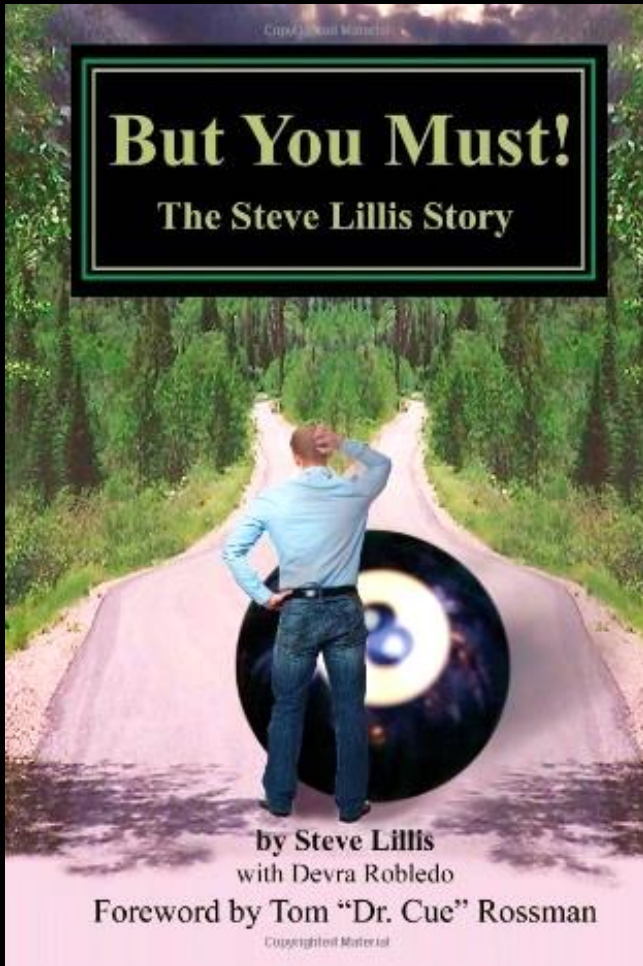
Objective: Hit the cue ball hard straight into the long rail as diagramed with left-hand English causing the 3-ball to run off 8 or 9 rails and eventually landing on the dollar bill placed near the corner pocket as shown in the diagram.

Special Notes: This shot takes some practice and depending on the speed of the table cloth one would have to compensate with how hard you would strike the ball. Playing with some running English will assist with the ball path reaching the dollar bill.

Crowd Reactions: Because of the ball being hit so hard and off so many rails, there is a build up of anticipation as the cue ball in this case the 3-ball bounces across all the rails and eventually slows down making its way to the dollar bill. When the ball eventually comes to rest on the dollar bill expect a round of applause and being “bang on the money.” As the crowd applause begins to settle, proclaim “You will always be bang on the money when your trust is in Jesus!”

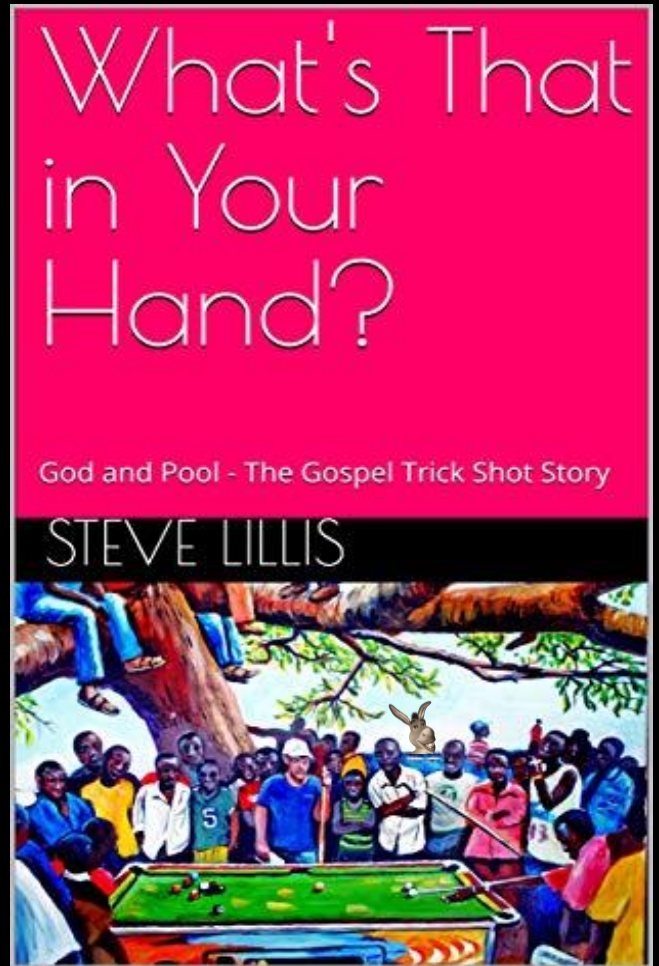


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6 GTS CALENDAR

GTS Calendar 2025: changes and additions are forthcoming (BILLIARD INDUSTRY events are confirmed as GTS participation is (TBD) To Be Determined!)

>**5/30/25** – GTS outreach show with portable pool table at Grace Gospel Church at 139 Montgomery Street 4th Ward Paterson. NJ outdoors in church parking area at 7:00 pm.

>**June 2025** – Please check out Tom “Dr. Cue” Rossman and friends for upcoming events at <https://www.drcuepromotions.com/outreach-vision-witness/>.

>**July 2025 (TBD)** – Billiard Education Foundation (BEF) and 2025 World Junior Pool Championship with Michael Hewitt and Jason Lynch and the Rising Hope Church.

>**July 2025 (TBD)** – Spanish outreach with Café Con Dios in Seville, Spain partnering with Rising Hope Church of Muncie, IN using disco and Gospel Trick Shots.

>**8/23/25 (TBD)** – GTS show for the Annual First Swing Golfing cookout at the Tyrone Collins Memorial Basketball Courts on Presidential Boulevard in Paterson, NJ.

>**9/14/25 - 9/28/25** - [Rising Hope Church Community Cultural Center \(Grand Opening\)](#) in Muncie, IN with GTS/RACK team members ministering to the community.

>**Sept/Oct/Nov 2025 (TBD)** – Fall college tour with invitations to do Gospel Trick Shot shows at **CUNY Queens College, Queens, NY** with Chi Alpha Campus Ministries in the student center; **New Jersey Institute of Technology (NJIT) in Newark, NJ** with International Students Ministry (ISI) in the student center; **SUNY Polytechnic Institute in Utica, NY** and other colleges in the Mohawk Valley Region working with InterVarsity (IVCF); **VCU, Virginia Union, and the Potomac Region** with a GTS portable pool table college tour working with Chi Alpha Campus Ministries; **Florida Institute of Technology (FIT) in Melbourne, FL** working with Campus Crusade for Christ (Cru).

>**11/22/25 (TBD)** - GTS show at Asbury Methodist Church in Allentown, PA for youth.

>**GTS World Tour 2025 (TBD)** – ministry & billiard federation invites: India, Turkey, Egypt, Algeria, Tunisia, Libya, Japan, Indonesia, Portugal, Serbia, Hungary, Honduras, Zimbabwe, Zambia, Swaziland, Kenya, Tanzania, Uganda, and Malawi.

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