ANA Disaster Response Project Update



ROADSIDE PHENOMENON

I was driving to AWA's hangar to get to work. Along the way, I saw a gentleman working on his truck on the opposite side of the highway. The Lord impressed me to turn around and go back to him, so I pulled my car behind his truck.

His son was with him, waiting in the back of the truck while he worked under the hood. I asked if there was anything I could do to help. He did not understand me initially because he only spoke Spanish, so I asked him in Spanish.

His name is Erick. He was struggling because a hose connection had popped off causing diesel to pour out. I helped him remove parts off the engine and we realized we did not have what was needed to fix the truck alongside the road. It was cold so I had him, and his son warm up in my car while we called different mechanic shops in the area. Because snow was forecasted, all the shops we called were closed. Erick began to feel desperate. While he spoke with his wife on his cell, I could hear her saying there wasn't money to cover both tow truck and mechanic fees to fix everything. I asked him where he lived, and he told me they were traveling from Miami, FL to New York. I then asked him if he believed in God. He said he had never seen God working for him, so he had little reason to believe in Him.

I told him that I live my life for God, and today he would see God at work for him.

I was able to contact a tow truck but was told it would cost \$150 to move it just 6 miles. I figured, "Let's move it to the nearest AutoZone and we'll work on it there." I was impressed to call AWA and ask if it could cover the towing expense – permission granted, and the tow truck was paid! Erick tried to stop me, but I told him, this is God providing for you.







When the tow truck arrived, I talked to the driver. He asked where we were taking Erick's truck. I said, "Autozone," and he replied that his dad was a mechanic and if we wanted, he could tow it there. I said, "Praise God, yes!"

So, Erick and his son got in my car, and we followed the tow truck. Erick was getting nervous and frustrated because he was worried it would cost too much to fix the truck. Again, I reminded him, "God paid for the tow truck, provided a mechanic after we had tried and failed to find one. God will take care of the rest."

When we got to the mechanic named Bull, he said that he could fix the truck for \$450. I could see that Erick was having a silent panic attack, while talking to his wife.

As the truck was being fixed and Erick was on the phone with his wife, I was talking to Bull, the owner of the shop. We hit it off. I told him who I was and shared pictures taken from the Kentucky tornado response. I told him about AWA's mission, and about the planes we use for God's service. He was impressed with our ministry and decided to drop the \$450 down to just \$100. After the truck was repaired Erick paid the \$100 in disbelief.

I met Erick at the gas station afterwards and he told me that he would never forget this moment. For the first time in his life, He had seen God working and providing. I told him that God came through for him three times; he had to believe now.

Since then, we have stayed in communication. My hope is to open a door for Bible studies with him soon. Please keep Erick in your prayers. "I will lift up mine eyes unto the hills, from whence cometh my help. My help cometh from the Lord, which made heaven and earth."

—Psalm 121:1, 2

Your support keeps me on missions like this. Thank you!

God bless you!

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