

FIRE SOWERS

Dario Luiz outreach ministries

Firesowers in the UK - February 2008...

When Dario first approached me about holding a Firesowers Mission to the UK, it sounded exciting! It meant an opportunity to bring a taste of the exciting and awesome things God is doing in Brazil to this nation a nation who in years gone by has sent people around the world with the Gospel, is now in need of people to visit us with that same Gospel message.

A small group of us started to plan; David Measures in the Midlands and Paul and Jean Blakey and Trevor and Helen Bendrien in the North of England working in partnership with Dario Luiz of Firesowers.

Our initial aim was to hold several weekends over one month across the country as churches showed scepticism to the Firesowers concept, we narrowed this to two weeks aiming to work with those who have a real desire to do something different in order to impact a community with the message of Jesus.

After five months of planning the event, the two weeks finally arrived. Starting in the Midlands, church services became Firesowers at; Aspley Pentecostal Church, Nottingham and the "Yesterday, Today, Forever" Church, Coalville. Dario spoke and ministered with God touching

many broken people.



On Monday Salvatore and Antonio (above with David, Paul and Jean) arrived from Italy to speak at two FGBMFI dinner evenings (one in Tamworth and one in Sheffield). Salvatore, who owns an Aircraft Company in Italy, shared about his life and business success while searching for a real relationship with Jesus, and having a powerful encounter with the Holy Spirit through Christians singing on the streets.

Paul Blakey spoke at Aspley Church on the first Monday night and challenged the church to demonstrate the Kingdom of God as a reality for the local area. He spoke on Street Angels (a successful project in Halifax) and the need for the church to claim back the city of Nottingham one of the worst places in the UK for violence, racial assaults and drugs.

Tuesday saw Josue and Agnaldo arrive from Brazil. After travelling for nearly twenty-four hours with a short rest they were ready to preach and minister at the first night of Firesowers in Halifax. Almost ten thousand leaflets had been delivered across the town and

FGBMFI, who had organised the event, believed for three powerful days with God moving and ministering. God did not disappoint on all three nights after powerful preaching and worship, almost all those attending came to the front for ministry. People fell in love with Jesus again. Several were healed, some became Christians for the first time and some were challenged to find a local church, the presence of God was real and tangible.



During the following days the Firesowers team had the privilege of speaking in six High Schools in Calderdale at lunchtime Christian clubs organised by CICS - Christians Initiative in Calderdale Schools. The young people listened as the Firesowers team shared their hearts and then asked a wide range of questions.

Challenges were given for the young people to live their life in a way that reflects Jesus. The Firesowers team also visited the Halifax Town Hall for a Civic Reception (pictured below wearing the Mayor's hat!) And had a tour of Halifax with the Town Centre Ambassadors.



Aгнаодо, Dario and Josue with the Deputy Mayor of Calderdale

Friday saw the first of four nights in Skelmersdale, which was organised by David and Jean Downes, the pastors of a small Assemblies of God church. Another ten thousand leaflets delivered to the local area, Firesowers had a sense of being a launch pad for further work within Skelmersdale. Over one hundred attended each night, again the hallmark of the meetings being most of these responding to ministry. Liam Moore, a singer from Liverpool, sang and shared his life story and speakers came from Brazil, Italy and England. People were healed, several became Christians and many challenged in their faith.



In Halifax, Dario and Josue joined the Halifax Street Angels (above) and young peoples prayer group. Josue shared his life story with the Street Angels, of how his daughter was healed and these miracles proved to him God was real. They then shared and prayed with approximately twenty young people for about an hour and half. Dario and Josue then became Street Angels and walked the streets of the Town Centre looking out for those who have become vulnerable.



On Saturday, Dario and Josue preached, prayed and ministered at the FGBMFI North East region day. This was held in a factory workplace in Bradford. Those who attended were challenged by this day, reports from FGBMFI groups across the region along with teaching and Holy Spirit led ministry made this an awesome time, not to be forgotten.

Sunday saw the team minister at the Redeemed Christian Church of God in Halifax where lots of people received many healings through the power and majesty of God.

On Sunday evening Dario and Agnaldo went to Hollybush in

Thirsk, North Yorkshire to preach and minister Dario reported a real sense of the Holy Spirit anointing the time and the people.

Josue spoke at FERN Fellowship in Howarth, after a visit to an English Pub to learn English! There was a real sense of God moving powerfully and people falling in love with Jesus again.



The final night was a time for prayer and ministry for Josue and Agnaldo and those involved in organising Firesowers in Halifax. The presence of God was so strong the Brazilians fell to their knees in worship and wonder of the goodness of God. We prayed together for Brazil, for the UK, for the church, for our ministries, our families two countries united as one standing together because of our unity in Christ. A fitting end to an incredible two weeks!

Paul and Jean Blakey

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- www.darioluiz.com
- www.dwmmi.com
- www.aspleypentecostal.co.uk
- www.streetangels.org.uk
- www.fgbmfi.co.uk (more pictures)
- www.cicscalderdale.org.uk
- www.liammoore.com
- www.hollybushchristianfellowship.co.uk

