



Our Saturday Sidewalk Breakfast Outside Our Hill Apartment

As the summer rolled on, Lisa and I prayed about starting a breakfast outside our Hill apartment. We felt we needed a follow up activity from the summer contacts (our apartment is next to the Park where we do the BBQ). We also needed to do something regularly for our neighbors. So, we started a weekly Saturday breakfast. We'll have this no matter the weather each week as long as one of us (Lisa or myself) is at home on a Saturday.

We provide fruit, orange juice, hot oatmeal, breakfast bars, and coffee. Every so often we serve special items. We have had fried fish and grits. This coming Saturday, we'll pull the grill (which is actually a griddle) up and make French Toast. We served turkey bacon last week. We might try scrambled eggs on the griddle sometime. And, we've started having yogurt on the table as well.

This breakfast ministry helps us to love on our neighbors and provides a constant presence to make relationships with them. We take the time to listen and make conversation. We are not shy on wanting "all of you to come to church," as I said last week to the small crowd that had gathered for something to eat.

We have noticed, since we moved in, that our neighbors don't leave the neighborhood. This makes it hard to "move them" toward a church building not in their neighborhood. Eventually this breakfast will help us in getting some interested in a Bible study and community group in our apartment.

*The breakfast is underwritten apart from our church budget.