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## God Uses the Unexpected

One statement that has stuck with me (Daniel) the last couple of weeks is, “God uses names we never would have written down.” We can look to Scripture for examples of this in the Old Testament with King Nebuchadnezzar. In the New Testament, we see this through the conversion of persecutor Saul to the Apostle Paul.

God has used individuals for His plan that we would never have expected. We see this in Scripture, our churches, and even our ministry at the Capitol.

In ministry, have you ever thought something like, “If I share the Gospel with this person, it won’t be received well”? Or “If I offer to minister to this person, will they reject me?” We once thought this about one State Representative because of his vast differences in theology and worldview. To our surprise and God’s glory, God has used this relationship to open Gospel opportunities with those we wouldn’t have had by our own work.

Recently, this Representative invited us to attend a grand opening for a grocery store. This elected official was excited that he was removing a strip club from his community to turn it into a grocery store to truly serve his community. His soteriology called for him to do this to earn his salvation; however, we used this as an opportunity to share the Gospel with him and thank him for removing the strip club.



Even with our vast differences in who we say God is, we’ve been amazed that this elected official has asked us for referrals for evangelical pastors who can lead the State Assembly in prayer. While we were at the grocery store grand opening, he even introduced us to the Lt. Governor of Wisconsin and encouraged her to meet with us to discuss how evangelical churches can be a solution to the childcare crisis in Wisconsin.

When we first started our relationship with this Representative, we never thought God would open the doors like He has. May this be a reminder for all of us that God uses the unexpected in ways we cannot comprehend. Please join us in praying for this State Representative’s salvation and for God to continue to use our relationship with him to advance the Gospel in our State Capitol.

In Christ,



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P.S. Please pray for me (Daniel). Today. At 11 a.m. I will be leading the State Senate in prayer. Pray that God would use this opportunity to advance the Gospel, to lead those who do not know God to faith in Christ and to fellowship with a local church.

P.P.S. This week, we encourage you to join us by praying for Representative Angie Sapik (Lake Nebagamon) and State Supreme Court Justice Rebecca Grassl Bradley.

P.P.P.S. Last chance for Marriage Hall of Fame applications! Do you have someone in your congregation who has been married for at least 60 years? If so, nominate them to the Marriage Hall of Fame by February 19. Apply [HERE](#).