

*Congregation
of
Jehovah's Witnesses*



Re: Meeting with

December 6, 2011
6:15 – 9:15 PM

requested to sit down and talk with a couple of the elders to discuss some things that have been weighing on his mind for some time.

Brother opened the discussion with a prayer.

We encouraged to be open with us regarding what has been weighing on his mind. We mentioned that he not feel shy or to hold back saying how he feels, even if what he has to share is something we may not agree with.

brought out how he is having some serious doubts about the Truth, and as to whether he wants to be recognized as one of Jehovah's Witnesses. He says that he is not sure if the Bible is really inspired of God, and feels that he is not fully convinced that the end is really close. He had admitted to his being selfish in his thinking process, and how he wants things to be 'here and now' and does not want to think about planning for the future, or on waiting for Jehovah to correct matters. He also informed us that he has no motivation to do anything, and that he has not spent any time to do research on the matters that he doubts. He does have a lot of time on his hands to do personal research, since he is only working secularly 1 day every two weeks, but he lacks the drive and ambition to do so.

admitted to us that he has spent some time reading apostate information on the internet, and listening to some doubting remarks from a close relative of his. We strongly cautioned him of ceasing to engage in such things, and how doing so has poisoned his mind and thoughts. We considered how Satan had poisoned the mind of Eve back in the Garden of Eden. (Ge 3:1-5) Satan has not let up in corrupting the minds of many today, and he often will accomplish this through the negative speech of apostates.

After we spent some time helping him to reason on matters in line with the examples found in God's Word, such as the counsel given through Paul to the First Century Christians, has agreed to do some research regarding some of the doubts he has. We encouraged him to write a list outlining some of his doubts. We did offer to assist him, but we do feel that he has to cultivate the desire and initiative to do the research. He needs to set reasonable goals for personal Bible study, research, and regular reading of God's Word and Christian publications. He agrees to that counsel. We encouraged him to take time to address the doubts, one at a time, and to be patient in getting the answer to his questions. It is only fair to investigate what the Bible has to say, before giving up on God's Word. He agrees with this line of reasoning.

appreciated the time we were able to give to him, and seemed in a better frame of mind to apply the direction that was shared with him. We hope we have been able to reach his heart and to "snatch him out of the fire".

Brother Lougéé concluded with prayer.