



Reaching and Supporting Muslims Throughout the Metro New York Area

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Greetings Friend of Jesus for Muslims Network! Below is a highlight of one of the ministries supported through our network. Thank you for your faithful prayers and support.

## Focus: Hope Albanian Church



**M**ike Durant, the pastor of Hope Albanian Church,

takes every opportunity he can to reach out to the Albanian community in Northern New Jersey. By visiting local coffee shops and stores frequented by Albanians, he is able to make connections. For new immigrants, he provides immigration assistance, training for driving tests, and assistance in finding jobs. He mentors the families that come and meets one-on-one with the men. Each year they hold an annual retreat for the church and this past week they launched their first VBS for the children.

Recently the church has had a huge growth spurt as a result of one autistic boy, Andi. He first encountered Hope Albanian Church at a Christmas event sponsored by the church. He loved the party so much he insisted that his parents take him to church the next week, and every week thereafter. His parents loved the church and began telling their friends, who also brought their families. Now there are a total of 17 people attending the church as a direct result of Andi.

This month, the ministry was able to hold its first week long VBS for almost a dozen unreached children. Will you consider extending your support to help expand the reach of this ministry?



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