

Akhi, the beggar sage, sits at the city gates, instructing all in the dance of life.

Ask Akhi...



A posted letter was put into Akhi's hand from Gwen Wilson. She wrote: "*Thank you for the acknowledgment that some wonderful things can be learned from many disciplines and that we need not all come from the same place to get to the same place. It is appreciated more than you know.*"

Not a riddle at all. In the remainder of her letter, Gwen noted that we do not all come from the same faith tradition, and that truth can be found everywhere. It is so. I saw evidence of this wonder just three weeks ago.

One day as I sat quietly under a gentle and refreshing Spring rain, I saw a cart approach the city gate. It is a familiar sight. But this cart was burdened by the abundant harvest of months ago. The grain, finally dried, was being taken to market or the mill.

One of the bags on the rear of the cart had burst and a constant trail of grain was spilling out along the roadside. A few days later, what do you think? Tiny spouts, inches apart, as far as the eye can see.

The rain was just enough to give the seed a home. The tiny plants lasted only a few days, but the birds could not have been more grateful. So there, color and song, for miles and miles. Allah be praised.

All this because of a bountiful harvest and a farmer who did not know what he was missing. Allah makes for the harvest, the color, the birds, the song, and Akhi's joy. The Great One provides, even when our back is turned.

Be well,
Akhi

Spotlight On:

*Tony Bernardo
(new board member)*



Involvement with Beacon Street: Friend from its inception, board member and Marketing Committee Chair in 1998.

Occupation: Vice President, Physician Staffing, Inc.

Birthday: January 17

Home: S. Euclid until July then Richmond Hts.

Family: Paul and our dog, Chloe. (Of course there's Mom, Maria, Anna & Ken, Kenny and Dora and a host of other Italians.)

Favorite books: The Hiding Place by Corrie ten Boom and We Don't Die by Joel Martin and Patricia Romanowski.

Favorite Movies: "The Color Purple" and "The Ten Commandments."

Hobbies: Cooking, gardening, biking, movies and spending time with good friends.

Best thing about working with BS: The enthusiasm!!

Personal motto: "Live life to the fullest!" or my all-time favorite, "Mangia, Mangia, Mangia!!"

Favorite scripture: "Knock and the door shall be open unto you."

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