

COUPLE SAYS GOD LED THEM TO MOVE BUSINESS TO BELOIT

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Hillary Gavan/Beloit Daily News John and Gaia Galvan opened J&G's Rings & Things inside Estetica Express, 114 E. Grand Ave. The business buys and sells coins, jewelry, vintage toys and a variety of other items.

BELOIT - John and his wife, Gaia Galvan, have moved their home, ministry and business to Beloit from Janesville. The couple says God led them here as Beloit is ripe for revival and spiritual renewal.

John Galvan, associate pastor at Good News Christian Center, opened up J & G's Coins Rings & Things on Aug. 1 at 114 W. Grand Ave. inside Estetica Express Salon. It's across the street from where the new Stateline Family YMCA is being built. The business was previously located on Milton Avenue in Janesville.

J&G's offers coins, rings, estate jewelry, collectibles, antiques, gaming systems and accessories and plenty of smiles. It's open 10 a.m. - 2 p.m. Monday through Saturday, and by appointment. At the business the Galvans will buy, sell and trade items.

Galvan has been collecting coins since he was a kid growing up in Chicago. For many years he bought and sold items online, meeting people for trades everywhere from bank and police station lobbies to parking lots. He finally decided having a dedicated space would be safer and provide more opportunities for selling his merchandise and opened his Janesville location.

His unique items include everything from a 1950s watch made from Rolls Royce parts to a baked turquoise ring. Some of the items are from estate sales. Gaia Galvan said J&G's offers unique statement pieces difficult to find anywhere else.

The business will be having a grand opening from 10 a.m. - 2 p.m. on Sept. 9. It is giving away one gold, one copper and one silver coin. The gold coin is worth about \$160; silver, \$22-\$25; and copper, \$3. Those who wish to enter for the drawing can come in the store and fill out a form with their name and phone number.

Operating the business in the back of Estetica has been a great experience. Many of the primarily Spanish speaking clientele at the salon will stop at J&G's after getting their hair done.

"I like the flexibility and love being able to connect with people in the community. I like the variety of things we not only get in here, but sell to people. It's really fun," said Gaia Galvan.

The Galvans, who have four children, moved to Beloit recently. John has been a Rock County Jail chaplain and his wife leads worship at Good News Christian Center.

While still living in Janesville, the couple walked around Beloit praying and felt God wanted them to move their entire lives to the city. John Galvan said he felt God was telling them that Beloit would be raised up, with people coming alive to end poverty and racism.

"God is getting ready to do something in the city, and he's calling the body of Christ to participate," he said.

Currently, John Galvan is working with men in the church age 17-60 in his living room, training them to take their Gospel message to the streets of Beloit.