



A Prison and Teaching Ministry

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OUR MISSION: FEED MY SHEEP

Jesus saith to Eileen, lovest thou me more than these? She saith unto him, Yea, Lord; thou knowest that I love thee. He saith unto her, Feed my lambs. He saith to her again the second time, Eileen, lovest thou me? She saith unto him, Yea, Lord; thou knowest that I love thee. He saith unto her, Feed my sheep. He saith unto her the third time, Eileen, lovest thou me? Eileen was grieved because he said unto her the third time, Lovest thou me? And she said unto him, Lord, thou knowest all things; thou knowest that I love thee. Jesus saith unto her, Feed my sheep.

John 21:15-17 (Paraphrased for Eileen)

Beloved Partners in Ministry,

Long ago, in the '80s, I received the scripture as my own realizing that I had the gift of teaching. This sacred trust is the embodiment of Little Lambs Inc. So many of the men and women we serve in prison are truly little lambs. This is their first experience with the Lord and the Word. They need that gentle yet firm nurture and truth of the Word as they learn to study and to navigate the Bible to discern truth from error.

Then we serve sheep. These are those who are followers and need instruction, fellowship, encouragement, edification, especially with long sentences or getting ready to get out. We also serve some as a student called himself, an old goat!

Our goal is to help grow them into true disciples of Jesus Christ who will be able to discern every wind of doctrine they encounter through careful study of the Word. Much error is being taught today and discernment is vital.

I am so encouraged every time I visit prison and reveal God and His Word in the study of addiction, families, and personal growth and recovery. The men are amazed at the depth and accuracy of the Word to describe their own situation. They are also amazed, as I am, that God designed the body and the brain to save them even while they are trying to kill themselves with drugs! The protective mechanisms built into our bodies is a marvel, an example of his tremendous mercy! Every man in class has asked to be enrolled in our bible study as well.

I spent Christmas Eve with the men at Avon Park Prison. Little Lambs provided cake and cookies and we spent the night worshipping the Lord and learning of His goodness toward us. In all we had 56 men plus guards and staff. This was my first time back into prison in a service, not a class, since John's death. I can say, it was very good to be back. I myself was very encouraged to see the hunger for the true Word of God. I feel like I am being taught all over again as the responsibility for all details are now mine.

I want to thank you for allowing me to serve you and the Lord in this way. I pray for all of you, a very prosperous and blessed New Year.

With all my love, Eileen

2013 SPANISH		
Lessons		841
Graduates		23
2013 School of the Bible		
Month	Courses graded	Graduates
Jan	369	13
Feb	370	9
Mar	357	15
Apr	412	17
May	389	17
Jun	293	9
Jul	373	13
Aug	320	14
Sep	312	6
Oct	367	12
Nov	315	12
Dec	350	14
total	4,227	148
New Students 1,697		



Dear Friends at Little Lambs,

Thank you for another great lesson. I broke my arm and it's the one I write with so I'm slow. I have spent a lot of time letting it all sink into my head and my heart. I do not know if you have other prisoners here that do your bible lessons. But I would like to put your name and address on the bulletin board in the chapel. If it is ok? There are a lot of lost souls in here and maybe just seeing the words Little Lambs might set off a light within them and write to you. Merry Christmas, Roger, Maine. *We sent a Chaplains packet with posters.*

Dear Little Lambs Staff,

I'm writing you to ask you to please send me a copy of Mr. John Salas book. As soon as you can. I really enjoy doing your bible study courses. They are really a blessing to me because they opened my eyes to a lot of things that I did not know and also opened my eyes to deal with a lot of problems I've been have to deal with lately like my mother's death in June. And I got mad at God and shook my fist at God and said why God why? Because my mom was the only family that I had that cares anything about me and now she is gone and everyone else that cares about me is friends of my mom's and people that she went to church with. Now when I get out in 12 months I don't have anywhere to go. I will have to start from nothing and live where I can until I can find a place of my own. If it's living under a bridge then that's what I will do but I know that God will see me through these storms someway, some how. My ways are not his ways and my time is not his time! Praise God !!! Thank you for your time and efforts in this request! May God bless you all, Jonathan

Dear John & Eileen, I am as you'll soon discover new to the fold and most decidedly not a little lamb, pretty much an OLD GOAT :). I'm a 60 year old convert from Wicca. Michael told me a bit about you, so I took up his offer to write you. I currently do not have envelopes or money as jobs are scarce in prison. I may find it necessary to lean upon your kindness for postage to cover my lessons if you accept me as a student. I ask you to go ahead and enter me as a first lesson student. I have nothing more positive to do than to study the Word of my Redeemer, who chose to give His life for me, not something my Wiccan Brethren would have ever thought to do. Paul, Ct.



Little Lambs,

I am writing to wish you all a Merry Christmas. I want to thank you for allowing me to take this course. It is helping to show me the way. I'm a Jewish inmate. I'm having a hard time right now as I'm trying to really learn Gods word. I have been turned away by the Rabbis because of me asking about Christ. I will supply my own envelopes and stamps while I can. I just really want to learn God's Word and will in my life. May God bless you all!!!

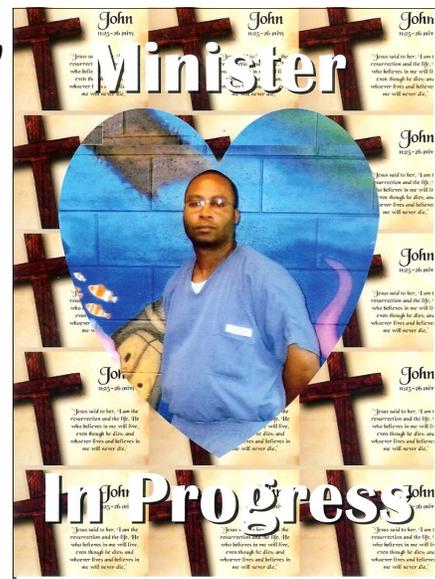
Josh in Arcadia FL

Josh is 34, going into the system at the tender age of 21 for a total of 36 years, but knowing Christ has turned this curse into a blessing.

Graduate Thanks: Florida, Adam

I JUST WANT TO THANK YOU FOR YOUR LOVE, PRAYERS, STUDIES AND THE BIBLE. THANKS A MILLION? :) I RECEIVED IT ON EXACTLY MY BIRTHDAY WHEN THE LETTER SAID IT WOULD TAKE TWO WEEKS! I GIVE PRAISE TO OUR CREATOR. IT'S ALL GOD.!:) I PLAN TO SEND YOU A DESIGNED PHOTO OF ME AS MY

APPRECIATION FOR ALL YOU'VE DONE. IT'S HARD TO GET SOLID HELP FROM THE OUTSIDE IN THESE WALLS. PLEASE KEEP ME IN YOUR PRAYERS. MAY YOUR MINISTRY BE BLESSED WITH LOVE, SUPPORT, AND GROWTH. Doing a 30 year sentence. This is Adam's photo and his vision. Pray that God work mightily in his life and train him up for the ministry.



STAMPS

WRITTEN ON THE UPPER RIGHT CORNER OF THE LESSON'S COVER INDICATE THAT THE INMATE NEEDS A SELF-ADDRESSED ENVELOP TO SEND HIS LESSONS BACK. WE NOW SUBSIDIZE OVER 50% OF OUR STUDENTS WITH RETURN POSTAGE!

Essay by Victor Every topic in this class has been a part of my life. So I chose the following subjects. In this class I have learned that all my life I have lived with an empty tank, absorbing others tanks. Also I was separated from God and I could not offer a better life because I just knew transitory happiness, such as going shopping, traveling or something my money could buy. I already know that I should have changed my past life because I had the fortune to have had two wonderful wives that they would have supported whether I have seeked the Lord's paths.

Another thing I learned was to identify that I was a controller and had some characteristics of a verbal abuser. I realize how to apply these teachings in my life. Nowaday, I can assure that nurture families under teachings and guided of God are the happiest.



Our Newest Volunteer Linda Colonna from Bible Fellowship Church has joined us a few months ago as a regular Friday Office Volunteer. She has partnered with us for many years, often saying she wanted to volunteer. After her retirement and some health problems conquered, she has finally joined us. Her "partner" on Friday is Jo Anier. Jo was our 'go to' person for years at Little Lambs, enrolling thousands of new students. She continued at that job for years until her eyesight could no longer allow it. Now she does general office duties supervised by Linda. We have lots of office duties that are handled by

an all volunteer staff. Monte Dowling from Lake Placid Presbyterian does all our printing, Bill & Bonnie Clemmens from First Assembly do our mailing, Ruth and Phil Esposito from Union Congregational is on computer along with Tom and Evangeline on the Spanish School with the Galarzas from a local Hispanic Church. Brother Charlie Coriell comes from Faith Missionary Baptist, Jan Ryan and Kim Tish from Grace Church, Alice Latham & Judith Ryder from The Way Church, Margie Delong, Alberta Sims & Graders from SIM Village, Delora Christian from Southside Baptist works with Jackie Walker, Eileen Saracino from Placid Temple, Calvin & Eloise Miller from Bible Fellowship along with Jeff Shoemaker and Richard Percy and the Jones. The Body of Christ at work!

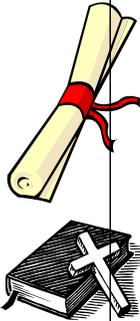
In the New Year.....

We are hoping for new things this New Year. As David encouraged himself in the Lord, I am encouraged just reading the many letters we get. I had one that blew me away last week. Do you remember Lula Ousley in our concert in 2006? She had just finished Faith Farm in her treatment program which we helped her through. Lula and her husband relapsed soon thereafter and we feared the worst through the years. John had talked to her son once and the news was not good. We never heard anything again. Suddenly there is a letter this Christmas offering her condolences from Georgia and the good news that she has been in recovery again and is doing well. I know John would have loved to hear that. Another phone call this week from an ex-inmate out since 2008! He called asking if he could finish his lessons having completed half of them in 2008 before his release. He has been out and has settled with a job and in church. He has kept his lessons all these 5 years as a free man and decided to finish what he started. PTL, Fruit that remains.

In the next year we are hoping to partner with Pastor Joe Valentin in offering meetings in Spanish. He is also working on establishing a Spanish Bible School. Pastor Joe helped us with translation of all our lessons in Spanish some ten years ago. He has also served for 5 years as Prison Chaplain at Avon Park in the 90's. In the Highlands County Jail Pastor Joe has served 14 years working with the men and the youth. He has a special heart for the Hispanic population. Pastor Joe and his wife, Gloria, reside in Sebring and minister in the Eleventh Hour Ministries.

Special thanks this year to Forrest Hilton, who helps me whenever I need it and to Bugs-Bee-Ware who has kept the ministry bug free and has done so these many years. Also thanks again to the women of Tanglewood Community Church for their goodies for our classes at Christmas. We are indebted to Pastor Darrell Peer at First Presbyterian Church for hosting our Anger Management Classes there for several years now. And a special thanks to the staff of Avon Park Prison who have always treated us with respect and grace. Please pray for all those who encounter the Lord through our lessons and classes. And thank all of you for your continued support! Much love, Eileen

2013 GRADUATES



ALABAMA

Larry, Opp

ARKANSAS

Louis, Cummins CC
Donald, Forrest City FCC
Joe, Cummins CC
Darnell, Wrightsville CC
Howard, Pine Bluff

ARIZONA

Jimmy, Yuma SP
Moses, Federal CC
Denise, Perryville SP
James, Cibola SP

CALIFORNIA

Richard, Ironwood SP
Ann, Imperial SP
Ramon, Chuckawalla SP
Eileen, CA Womens SP
Victor, Calipatria SP
Harmon, Mule Creek SP
Josiah, United States SP
Joshua, High Desert SP

Florida

Jerome, Dade CI
Carroll, Santa Rosa CI
Tina, Lowell CI
Tony, Mayo CI
Brian, Wakulla CI
Conrad, NWFRC
Anthony, Blackwater CF
Adam, Blackwater CF
Mesfin, Dade CI
Marianne, Lowell CI
Mark, Gulf CI
Joseph, Columbia CI
Michael, Marion CI
Nicholas, Suwannee CI
Richard, Bay CI
Halsey, Graceville CI
Rickey, Jefferson CI
Bessie, Lowell CI
Renee, Hernando CI
Martin, Released
Gregory, Dade CI
Timothy, Apalache CI
Joycelyn, Lowell CI
Samuel, Blackwater CI
Isiah, Everglades CI
Tyrone, Fl State Prison
Donald, Lawty CI
Steve, Martin CI
Zoe, Lowell CI
Gerald, Everglades CI
Ralph, CFRC
George, Wakulla CI

GEORGIA

Edward, Georgia SP
Schylea, Lee Arrendale SP
John, Dooly SP
Gerald, Washington SP
Alonzo, Johnson SP
Ruth, Pulaski SP

IOWA

Dale, Iowa M&CC

Illinois

Starr, Logan CC
Larry, Dixon CC
Steven, Federal CI
Anthony, Menard CC

INDIANA

Michael, Wabash Valley CF
William, New Castle CF
Jeff, CIF
Johnny, Released

KANSAS

Carla, Topeka CF

KENTUCKY

Dan, Ashland Federal PC

LOUISIANA

Toni, Rapids Parish DC
Gale, LCIW, St Gabriel
Lon, Rayburn CC
Shirley, LCIW, St Gabriel

MASSACHUETTES

James, NCCI, Gardner

MAINE

David, Maine SP, Warren

MICHIGAN

Elveda, Released
David, West Shoreline CF

MINNESOTA

Jason, Rush City CF

MISSISSIPPI

Samuel, SCRCF
Terry, CMCF
Scott, CCA Davis

PENNSYLVANIA

Darren, SCI Forest
George, SCI Waymart
Jonny, SCI Smithfield
Paul, SCI Coal Township
Thomas, SCI Dallas
Dawn, SCI Muncy

PENNSYLVANIA

James, SCI Gaterford
Joseph, SCI Huntingdon
Donna, SCI Cambridge
Tracy, Muncy
Michael, Houtzdale
Jay, Houtzdale

SOUTH CAROLINA

James, Federal CI
Billy, Livesay CI

TENNESSEE

Michael, Whiteville CF
Gale, TPFW Nashville
Brian, released
Brandon, BCCX Pikeville
Ernest, Northwest CC
Natalie, TPFW Nashville

TEXAS

Bene, McConnell Unit
James, Montford Unit
Hollis, Clements Unit
Herbert, Price Daniel Unit
Robert, Telford Unit
Gilbert, Allred Unit
Gary, Coffield Unit
Wayne, Bill Clements Unit
Donald, Luther Unit
Jose, Telford Unit
Gregory, LeBlanc Unit
Lonnie, Coffield Unit
Reginald, Estelle Unit
Jimmy, McConnell Unit
Stuart, Gib Lewis Unit
Gary, BMCC
Michael, FCI Big Springs
Santiago, McConnell Unit
John, Robertson Unit
Michael, Eastham Unit
Ansel, Robertson Unit
Michael, Jester Unit
Wani, Released
Debra, Lockhart WF

VIRGINIA

Patrick, James River W/C
Michael, Lunenburg CC
Damyel, Buckingham CC

Wisconsin

Daniel, Kettle Moraine CI
Scott, Dodge CI
Steve, Oshkosh CI
Robert, Racine CI
Wayne, Racine CI

WEST VIRGINIA

Tony, FCI Gilmer
Sara, Lakin CC

WYOMING

Jerry, Wyoming CI

SPANISH GRADUATES

Narcizo, Chowchilla CA
Santiago, Donovan CA
Julian, Tehachapi CA
Rafael, Hardee FL
Daniel, Taylor CI
Jaime, LBJ AZ
Demetrio, Mt Pleasant IA
Liborio, Adams CC, MS
Emily, Hobby TX
Oscar, Goree Unit TX
Manuel, Dade CI FL
Henry, CFRC East FL
Sergio, Dalhart Unit TX
Luis, MCI, MD
Heriberto, Hardee CI FL
Modesto, Duncan Unit TX
Nasario, Stevenson Unit TX
Santos, Hightower Unit TX
Ruben, Jackson CI FL
Francisco, Pleasant Valley
Jorge, Taft CI CA
Ausencio, DCCI CA
Luis, Valley SP CA

Thank you!

These men and women were awarded "The Open Bible" as a graduation gift, a simulated leather study bible. We want to thank **Mr. Gary Phillips** for helping us purchase these wonderful bibles at a price that we can afford. Without a doubt, this will be the best gift some of these inmates have ever received in their lifetime and will impact their lives forever. Mr. Phillips also helps us obtain the "Thomas Nelson Study Bible, LaReina Version 1960" a Spanish leather Study Bible for our Spanish Graduates.