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Now I passed by you again and looked upon you; behold, you were maturing and at the time for love, and I spread My skirt over you and covered your nakedness. Yes, I plighted My troth to you and entered into a covenant with you, says the Lord, and you became Mine. Eze 16:8 AMP Acts 20:28

(A bride) which he bought with his own blood. Acts 20:28 NIV

For ye are **bought** with a price: therefore glorify God in your body, and in your spirit, which are God's.1 Cor 6:20 KJV

Forasmuch as you know that you were not redeemed with corruptible things, as silver and gold, but with the precious blood of Christ, as of a lamb without blemish and without spot. 1 Pe 1:18-19

And as they were eating, Jesus took bread, and blessed it, and broke it, and gave it to the disciples, and said, Take, eat; this is my body. And he took the cup and gave thanks, and gave it to them saying, Drink you all of it; for this is my blood of the new

testament, which is shed for many for the remission of sins. But I say unto you, I will

not drink henceforth of this fruit of the vine, until that day when I drink it new with you in my Father's kingdom. Matthew26:26-29

He that has the bride is the bridegroom: but the friend of the bridegroom, which stands and hears him, rejoices greatly because of the bridegroom's voice; this my joy is fulfilled. John 3:29 (John the Baptist)

O God, my Reward and my Rewarder,

Thank you for dying and purchasing me. I must know You. You Yourself are truly the one thing in life that I demand, the one and only thing I cannot live without. I choose to diligently seek YOU, to earnestly pursue my relationship with You. You are my first love. My goal is You - not the peace or joy or blessings You give, but You Yourself.

Thank you, Lord, for making available to me this great privilege of knowing You. Thank You for giving such a satisfying way for me to invest my time and energy and thought. Now Lord, continue to increase my capacity for seeking and knowing You. I plead with You to make me more thirsty for you.

Lord, it is so encouraging to reflect on how seriously You want me to take You and Your love, how personally. So I choose to see myself through Your own all-knowing and all-loving eyes. I ask especially that You will cause me to hear Your voice of love in the morning as I open Your Word and come to You. Through Your Holy Spirit, let the waters of Your love wash over me. Let me swim in the truth of Your love. And change my life as a result.

Give me grace, Lord, day by day, to seek you first and foremost - to faithfully set apart time to be alone with You. Enable me to say no (or not yet) to myself or secondary things that so easily crowd out time with You.

Thank you especially, Lord, for accepting my imperfect service. This motivates me to want to serve You more. You are worthy, O Lord, worthy of my all and my best. Help me respond to You in way that bring You increasing pleasure. In Jesus name, I pray.



Graduate: God bless you and your staff. I received my new King James Study Bible today and my first thought was WOW! It is beautiful and loaded with extras. Thank you so very much for such a gift. I also want to say think you for all the great teaching. I have been using it already reaching out to people around me who know I have been involved in the study. They are asking me certain questions concerning forgiveness. I will write again soon to give you an update.

**Greetings** in the name of Jesus Christ right back at ya! Thank you for taking the time to respond to me and for bible studies, and for accepting me into your Little Lamb Family.

I grew up knowing who God is, but I lived my life in such a way that I

Graduate: Dear Mentors, I want to use this unique opportunity to say thank you once again for what God is using you to do in my life this time. It's been a wonderful time studying through your lessons, very exciting topics and simple style teachings which really had impacted me a lot. I appreciate your kindness and encouragement towards me, the certificate is so marvelous. I will live to remember coming in contact with Little Lamb Institute with my profound gratitude to Little Lambs for putting your resources together to let these good news get to the helpless people like , I say thank you Sir. I also on my part promise not to let your effort down. I shall be in the light for others to the glory of our Lord Jesus Christ, by his grace I shall carry the good news till the last day of my life. May the Lord bless and prosper you and his presence be with you, going out and coming is until we meet Him in the air to meet him face to face.

was running away from Him. I thank and praise Him for not ever giving up on me. I'm 36 years old, half Native American-Choctaw- and half white, and I grew up in Southeastern Oklahoma. I grew up fighting, drinking, and doing drugs. This is my 2nd time in prison and I've been in this time for almost 12 years flat. I'm married and have 3 kids, all of which I miss wholeheartedly. I have faith though that the Lord Jesus will reunite me with my family a lot sooner than everyone says and or expects. Like Mr. Sala, my wife and her family are from New York, except they're from the Bronx. She's Puerto Rican. I thank God for her as well. She's still with me even after all these years. Our Lord has

Dear Little Lambs, I thank you for this journey through the scripture that you provide for us, so we may grow in grace and in the knowledge of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. You have been encouraging me with your little comments that have caused me to strive to endure until the end. Your study is very effective in my new life. So pray please for me and I will do the same for You and Your ministry.

Yes, you are touching lives and give out hope to those that have no hope, and do continue in Gods work, because it is true and full of a righteousness and life. May God bless you and keep you.

## Describe your local Church Body:

Right now as you know I'm in prison so things are tuff. But as for me and a small group we sit in the front so that we can earnestly absorb the Word of God, trying to let the Holy Spirit change us from the inside out. So that we can be living examples that GOD can change sinners like us into Godly men He Knew we could and would be. AMEN.

definitely blessed me though I don't deserve it. And I praise Him and thank Him daily for it. I was a gang member for several years and lived a very fast life, bad life, and I don't deserve to be a Son of God. But the Lord saw fit to draw me to Himself and now use me to be a minister of His Gospel while here in prison. And I am extremely grateful for His tender mercies, graciousness and love towards me and want nothing more in life but to serve Him to the fullest. Being a member of Little Lamb Family will help me to continue to mature and grow in Christ Jesus, for which I can never thank you enough. I truly appreciate the time, effort, and resources y'all spend to minister and help people like me. It means more than you will ever know. Thank you again and I love y'all. FP, Tx I learned that I have a dysfunctional family. There are a lot of things that I need to correct. I need to teach my kids core beliefs. I learned that I need to make them feel special, loved and worthy. So they can be their own person, helping them grow mentally and spiritually. I need to battle problems head on don't' ignore them. Show by good examples. Stop telling the to do what I say and not what I do. Do great things so they will do great things. Be a hero to them, show them a better way of life. Forgive myself and others for wrong that has been done. Forgiveness is a big part of getting over things. To band with my kids when I return home, before I think about disciplining them. So they will be comfortable and understand why your are being disciplined. Teach my kids how to work, save, and manage money. They need spiritual growth, responsibility, and respect. Teach them how to set goals and build character. I know that there are a lot of things I need to do when I go home, introducing them to God is one of the biggest things that I need to work on. This class really opened my eyes on a lot of things and I will put lots of hard work into making my family and myself better.

Little Lambs Class The class really let me see inside myself. The paperwork and how you taught it to us was very good. I was able to see myself in a lot of these areas. The most important thing I learned was turn to God. There can't be one of you with God, it takes both. I see I turned to drugs the last 18 years before I got sent here. I had no limits and no boundaries, so I didn't require limits and boundaries in my spouses. I never expressed myself and my thoughts. Now I see that it was me out of control and that these led me to chose mothers of substance abuse and the same mentality. That does not make for a solid relationship. Communication is a lot. I always thought my was right, no one else's. I wanted to be in control.

I really enjoyed the substance -alcohol part and the film you showed to describe what it does to one's mind and body. The parenting was good to show me that and how to set boundaries and goals for myself and the kids. It showed me all relationships are supposed to be equal not one sided. Set rules. The anger part showed me a lot about myself and hidden angers and self worthlessness I felt. Now I know how to communicate and express myself without getting upset. Good class.

What I Got Out of Class It actually brought back a lot of childhood memories that I have forgotten. (Apparently on purpose LOL) this class has opened my eyes to a lot of my problems where they stem from. Like the fact that I show no emotions, comes from the fact that when I was young I was taught that a man shows no emotions. Just like my relationship history, I learned when I was young that if you never want to get hurt, never let anyone in. so to this day I've only been in 2 relationships and as soon as I seen that they were going exactly as I planned I killed them (the relationship, not the women LOL). But the point is that a lot of my bays that I right off was just being normal, are actually problems accumulated since I was young. This class has opened my eyes to these problems, and has showed me other avenues to deal the them so that my kids won't have these problems. But before I have a kid, I know now to find a woman with a full love tank (so I can drain it LOL). So that together we can mature our kinds in the faith. Mrs. Eileen, thank you for your time and commitment to helping us all. You are a beautiful woman with a beautiful hart and I pray the Lord will continue to bless you

What did I Learn..I learned that boundaries are in a healthy marriage. Learning that most marriages fail because of poor boundaries was an eye opener for me. As a two-time divorcee, I never understood how to achieve a healthy marriage. Both sets of my grandparents raised me, and they were married for 65 years and 58 years. So I had all the examples that I needed, but I failed to apply it. In my first marriage my wife tried to change me. In my second marriage I tried to change me wife. Now I have learned that my spouse came with her own individual identity and I created problems when I trespassed on her personhood. Now I know that a successful marriage is based on freedom. So I must develop boundaries that will keep my marriage balanced and held us accountable to each other. I have several codependent people in my family and I refuse to be an enabler to them any longer. I refuse to be co-dependent any longer. Little Lambs has taught me to be responsible for me. I am happy that I participated in this class.

## Dear Partners,

I have an urgent prayer request for Pastor Herb Long who was to teach the Overcomers class in prison. Herb has ploughed right into very serious heart problems and has been commanded to erase his calendar until he improves. Please pray for a quick recovery for him. He was in prison the first week for a short time and then became ill the next week. That next week class waiting for him was totally filled to capacity only to be told it had to be cancelled. They loved to hear him they said and are eager for his return.

In February, Mary Tinberg and I completed our applications for Highlands County Jail ministry and will be starting a Marriage and Family, Boundaries Class on Thursday mornings at the JASA program in the county jail. Mary will be giving some teaching on codependency as well as we transition between classes. We are looking forward to working with the women in the program and help to return valuable Christian women to their families and the community. They would be welcome to join our Thursday Women's meeting on release to continue their recovery.

Our winter friends are leaving shortly and we will miss them. We especially enjoy our winter graders. And I do want to thank Forrest Hilton for helping me finish up my taxes. He has been a great blessing for us through the years.

Hogar Resa will be hosting the graduation in early May also. We expect a large class this year, but we hate

to see them go. Keith from the Sebring Hogar has been very helpful and did a lot of repairs for us. We wish him success in his new life and career. He has taken such care and diligence as the head of the Sebring Hogar. I recently toured the new Hogar on Gloria St. in Avon Park and it is a beautiful home now. They have included in the facilities there a bakery for their pies and cakes. One the average they produce 100 to 150 pies a day. Please encourage them if you see them in the community.

Anger Management/ Parenting Class April 18, 19, 20, 2019 Register by appointment 863-273-7388

## Schedule APRIL 2019

Mon...Avon Park Prison Bible Study Tue...Marriage & Family/Biblical **Boundaries Avon Park Prison** Wed... Overcomers Bible Fellowship Church @ 6 pm Thurs...Marriage & Family/Biblical **Boundaries, Avon Park Prison** Thurs..Released to Love, Women Codependent recovery @ 6:30 pm **@** Little Lambs Inc \*New\* Thurs...Biblical Boundaries, JASA @ **Highlands County Jail** April 11. Volunteer Banquet **Avon Park Prison** Counseling 863-273-7388

With Jan's help I was able to get away for a few days and visit my newest little

grandbaby, Cleo, in North Carolina. She is the sweetest thing imaginable and hard to leave behind.

Needed: if you feel moved by the Holy Spirit to facilitate a men's addiction recovery e Baby Cleo

Spirit to facultate a men's addiction recovery meeting or a men's purity meeting, please call me at 863-273-7388. This would be a mature man of God to deal with these issues in a prison setting. Please pray that God send us just the right persons for these tasks.

Another prayer request is for volunteer Mike Young with shoulder surgery. Mike is our alternate printer which comes in very handy as our regular printer, Monte Dowling, is a Auxiliary State Trooper and they need him often at times. We do have wonderful volunteers!!

We pray that you all are very blessed this Easter Season and that the reality of the Cross of Christ be great in all our lives and witness. Please remember to pray for all our lambs!

> Your servant Eileen Sala