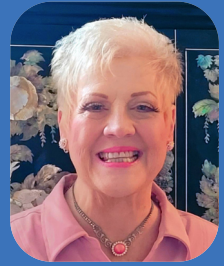




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# BEHIND THE FENCE



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## Prison Doors Now Opening!

We are REJOICING that the Oklahoma prisons where Redeeming Love Prison Ministry conducts outreaches are starting to reopen so we can resume our ministry in person!

As you know, they have been closed to visitors and ministers since the covid lockdowns began in March 2020.

Although, at the time of this writing, the jails have not yet officially announced their opening, I have heard they are planning to do so by mid-June.

We will be required to wear face masks most of the time with social distancing and temperature checks, and conduct services with a limited number of inmates to begin with.

***WE PLAN TO CONTINUE OUR  
PEN PAL MINISTRY, AS IT IS  
IMPACTING MANY LIVES!***

We also are in the process of getting ambassadors with expired badges signed up for needed retraining and badge renewal with the Department of Corrections, as well as getting some NEW

AMBASSADORS trained and ready to go with us! (If you are one of these people and have not been in contact with me, please call or email me ASAP.)

I would appreciate your prayers: for all involved as I endeavor to accurately coordinate these teams and other outreaches; for God's continued favor to be upon RLPM with all prison and jail personnel; and for all changes to go very smoothly, Amen!

**THANK YOU!**

Death was proof that Jesus was human.

***Resurrection was proof He is God.***

—Unknown, FACEBOOK

# God's Love Restores Orphan Inmate!

— INMATE TESTIMONY —

Since I can remember, I've always trusted the wrong people and wanted to be ACCEPTED. That was what lead me into wrong friendships and relationships. I grew up in foster homes, group homes, and was an award of the courts with no family.

When I came to Mabel Bassett Correctional Center (a maximum security women's prison), I asked God to put positive people in my life. Then I met the Mentors with Redeeming Love Prison Ministry.

I was so surprised that women like them even existed and would give their time to help people like me—wanting nothing in return! And on top of that, they showed me so much of God's love, and never judgment!

I soon realized that there are good people on this earth, who didn't

look down on me but would love me no matter how many mistakes I've made. All these ladies were so loving and kind and showed that



**Rita Temple**  
#182051

they truly wanted to listen to me; and they cared enough to show me the answers I needed from God's Word and pray with me and for me.

It was because of you RLPM ladies that I came back to the Lord and rededicated my life to Him. I also have received physical

healing and complete deliverance from drugs!

I want to sincerely thank you ladies (and Redeeming Love Prison Ministry) who come into this prison and give of your time and money and care so much. What I love the most is seeing Jesus in each one of you!

As an orphan with no family, you've made me feel as if I were a part of your family. God's love is strong medicine and has brought much healing and restoration into my entire life. Thank you!

In God's Love,  
**Rita Temple**  
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**Dear God,**  
*If I am wrong — please correct me.*  
*If I am lost — please guide me.*  
*If I start to give up — please help keep me going.*

—Unknown, FACEBOOK

*If we don't love  
people we can see,  
How can  
we love God,  
whom we  
cannot see?*

—1 John 4:20 NLT

Every time I thought I was  
rejected from something good,

*I was actually  
being redirected  
to something better.*

—Unknown, FACEBOOK

*A good pastor isn't in it for the  
income. He's in it for the outcome.*

—Cumberland Gap Baptist Association, FACEBOOK

## **Monthly Prayer Meeting & Fellowship Dinner!**

Our next monthly fellowship dinner and prayer meeting will be on **Monday, June 7 at 6 p.m.** at Sharla Yoder's home and ministry office. If you can only come for worship and prayer, it starts around 7:15 p.m. If you are not on the email list and wish to receive more detailed information, please contact the ministry office by phone or by email.

***Details will be sent by email with  
RSVP required.***

We will meet:

**Monday, June 7, 2021, at 6 PM**

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**Please RSVP as soon as possible  
so we know how many to plan on  
for food and to set up for.**  
(syoder5@cox.net.) Please watch  
your e-mail for reminder and  
details. **Thank you!**

*When you see Jesus  
in all things,*

***You will have  
victory in all  
things!***

—Joseph Prince  
Pastor of New Creation Church  
Singapore & Dallas, TX

# Heart to Heart

— by Sharla Yoder —

First, I want to say THANK YOU for believing in us and being a friend and partner with us through the lockdowns and new pen pal ministry with the changes and challenges we have faced together. The pen pal ministry has been very successful, and I believe it will continue to be for many months to come... maybe even years, if God wills!

Our Ambassadors are very excited to be returning to the prisons and jails to minister by the power of Holy Spirit! I have been told by several chaplains that the inmates have deeply missed us and are so looking forward to not only our return, but I'm sure other ministries' return as well. (However, they do tell us they see a difference in Holy Spirit- led ministries and denominational ones.) I am told there are very few besides RLPM that give teaching and demonstration of the gifts of the Holy Spirit and invitations for the infilling of the Holy Spirit. We believe it is of the utmost importance that they see and understand that the power the Holy Spirit

has is not just for us, but very available for THEM as well, Amen!

What an honor to write these newsletters to you about what God is doing in and through us together as partners. The inmate testimonies we share with you are so special to us and bring much glory to our wonderful Savior and LORD! Please remember that if you have any special prayer needs, we are here for you and want to pray for you. You can contact us by email, phone, or write a note and mail it.

We covet your prayers as we "regroup" through some new changes at the facilities where God has called us and allowed us to go to be the feet, hands, and voice of Jesus— to evangelize and disciple many prisoners to become Christian law-abiding citizens who will impact their world with the same gospel that revolutionized their lives! Your financial support is vital to RLPM, and we thank you for investing in God's Kingdom business

Behind the Fences! May He continually bless you with the fulfillment of every promise in His life-changing Word! We look forward to hearing from you soon!

More love to ALL,

Rev. Sharla Yoder,

Founder & CEO, RLPM, Inc.

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