



BEHIND THE FENCE



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Director of RLPM

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27 Years of Full-Time Prison Ministry • 44 Ambassadors • 9 Correctional Facilities

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*We will never
change the
world by going
to church.*

*We will only
change the
world by being
the church!*

—Carter Stucker

God Restored My Emotions In Prison

— Inmate Testimony —

NOTE: *Although Kristen is now released, she shared her dynamic testimony before leaving prison.*

I have lost EVERYTHING in my life that I ever worked for. I was beaten and raped against my will by my fiancé with nobody to help me! My only therapeutic aide, other than drugs, was my dog and he soon got killed by a car.

At the time, I blamed God for everything. But now I see that I could only blame my poor decisions, drugs, and the devil for these things.

I was sent to prison for crime and I felt so terribly ALONE! I had been saved as a child but didn't stay close to God. I felt abandoned by my family and began to pray.

I had hit bottom and needed His help. I asked God for peace in my heart and to be healed in my painful emotions. Drugs could no longer help, and they never really could!

Shortly after that I decided to attend one of Redeeming Love Prison Ministry's chapel services. I responded to the invitation for



Kristen Trimm
#836657

restoration after being backslidden. God began flooding my heart with His peace!

I noticed that my emotions also began to change in a positive way, and I received much hope for a positive future. I also noticed that the desire for drugs was no longer in my life! We prayed for God to restore my relationships with my family, and God answered that prayer in a wonderful way.

I PRAISE GOD that I first received a letter from my mom, then from my grandma, and then my sister in Michigan!

The teaching I received from Redeeming Love (RLPM) has been life-changing for me! My favorite scripture is Philippians 4:13, *"I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me"* (NKJV).

You have given me and many of my fellow inmates SO MUCH HOPE for our future, and we sincerely THANK YOU!

Kristen Trimm,
#836657
EWCC
Taft, Oklahoma

*God has not called
me to be successful.*

*He called me
to be faithful!*

—Mother Teresa

New Ambassadors Complete Jail Training

We are excited to report that two new ambassadors have recently completed their training with the chaplain at the jail!

They are: **DIANE VAN ANTWERP**, a previous ambassador, and **MAYA JONES**, a student at ORU. These ladies look forward to serving with RLPM at the Tulsa Jail soon! Also, we have more new ambassadors who plan to attend the next training session in January.

They are: **JACK GOODMAN, DAVID SNELL, CARY YOUNGBLOOD, PATRICK MOSER, KENNY TABOR, BRI SIMON, and KATY LANIER.** We welcome them all with open hearts and arms!

BBQ Fellowship Dinner & Prayer Meeting

We recently enjoyed a wonderful evening of a BBQ brisket dinner and a great prayer meeting afterwards! The fellowship was very special as we ate together and prayed together in unity!

We invite all of our ambassadors and partners to join us on the first Monday evening of the month at 7 pm, as we pray for our country, our leaders, elections, and take our authority over the evil in our land.

We also pray for our prison ministry and special requests. We start with praise and worship, and we receive communion as well as an offering for RLPM. Unless we have a dinner prior to prayer, we have (finger food) snacks afterwards.

We hope you can join us on:
Monday, August 3, 2020 at 7 pm.
Call 918.252.2772 for more information.

Heart to Heart

— by Sharla Yoder —

We are excited about a new opportunity for ministry in some of the prisons where we take the gospel and disciple inmates!

I have spoken to some of the chaplains, and inmates are now being allowed to come to the chapel in smaller social-distanced groups. (However, only staff are permitted to minister until they open to volunteers.)

I asked if we could send in DVDs of church services for them to use for the inmates. (The chaplains cannot use anything connected to the internet for inmates.) They said yes to the DVDs!

We are in the process of converting some live streaming church services to include praise

and worship and a pastor's message. We are also sending several copies of scriptural handouts for them.

These include scripture confessions to encourage them in the Word of God as applied to their personal lives. We continue to mentor several inmates by mail with Bible studies and encouraging letters. We plan to share some inmate feedback with you in our next newsletter.

It is exciting to me not only to evangelize inmates, but to have the opportunity to disciple them and also to challenge and train them to be a witness to unsaved people and minister to others in prayer!

THANK YOU so much for your generous faithful support of this ministry to the incarcerated!

We love you, pray for you, and join our hearts in agreement for God to greatly bless you and yours continually in every way!

We look forward to hearing from you soon.

In God's Love and Grace,



Rev. Sharla Yoder,
Director, Redeeming Love
Prison Ministry, Inc.

Forgiveness doesn't excuse their behavior.

*Forgiveness prevents their behavior
from destroying your heart!*

—#BeyondOrdinary

Monthly Ministry Schedule

1st MONDAY — Monthly Priority Prayer Meeting and Fellowship, 7-9 PM, 1213 S. Willow Ave., Broken Arrow. 918-252-2772.

3rd MONDAY — Mentoring - MBCC Women's Prison, McLoud, OK. Meet 2:30 PM.

Every TUESDAY — "Marriage On The Rock" (Jimmy Evans Video Series), JDCC Men's Prison, Taft, OK 3-5 PM. Leaders, Bill and Judy Hulett.

4th TUESDAY — Creek County Jail, Sapulpa, OK. Ladies Chapel Service, 3:30 PM; Mickie Brooks, Coordinator.

1st, 3rd, (& if 5th) WEDNESDAY — Tulsa County Jail - 12 pods, team outreaches, 6:30-8:20 PM (B.A. group meets 5:45 PM); Coordinator, Ina Dilldine.

Every WEDNESDAY — Cimarron Correctional Center, Cushing, OK. Bible Study with Dr. Michael Shanahan.

4th WEDNESDAY — Creek County Jail, Sapulpa, OK. Men's Chapel Service, 6:45 PM.

EVERY FRIDAY— Juvenile Detention Center, Oklahoma City, OK. Ministry With Michael Luciani, 1:00 PM.

4th FRIDAY — MBCC Women's Prison, McLoud, OK - Team Outreach/ GYM. Meet in B.A. at 2:30 PM; others meet at Prison at 4:45 PM.

3rd SATURDAY — EWCC Women's Prison, Taft, OK, 7:45-9:10 PM. Meet in B.A. at 5:45 PM or at the Prison at 7 PM.

3rd SUNDAY — OSP Maximum Prison, McAlester, OK. Cell-To- Cell Ministry, 2-3:30 PM; meet in B.A. at Noon.

3rd SUNDAY — JBCC Men's Prison - Team Chapel Service, 5-7:45 PM.

9 Correctional Facilities Served by RLPM

- Cimarron Correctional Facility Men's Prison, Cushing, OK
- Creek County Jail, Sapulpa, OK
- David L. Moss Correctional Center / Tulsa Jail, Tulsa, OK
- Eddie Warrior Correction Center Women's Prison, Taft, OK
- Jackie Brannon Men's Prison, McAlester, OK
- Jess Dunn Correctional Center Men's Prison, Taft, OK
- Juvenile Detention Center, Oklahoma City, OK
- Mabel Bassett Women's Prison, McLoud, OK
- Oklahoma State Penitentiary, McAlester, OK

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