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25 Years of Full-Time Prison Ministry * 45 Ambassadors * 12 Correctional Facilities

INMATE TESTIMONY

Executive's "VICTORY THROUGH GOD'S GRACE!" ("not my performance!")

I was raised in a loving Christian home, accepting Jesus as my Savior at a young age. There are a long list of pastors, missionaries, deacons and even a president of a renowned Pentecostal university in my family. I was raised to believe that God loves us, but we **must** do our part by doing good works. I always felt unworthy, that I could never **do enough** to please God. I felt very insecure, so I pushed myself by always working harder and became both a perfectionist and a workaholic. I achieved three college degrees, to include a MBA (in business) from Tulsa University. I was a very successful and prosperous executive for 25 years. I acknowledged that my blessings came from the Lord, but also, because of pride, attributed them to my *self efforts*.

Because I felt unworthy, I ended up sabotaging my blessings. My weakness was "unhealthy lady friends." This led to a small fire being started near the back door of a lady's home and led to arson and a prison sentence. I was originally sent to Jackie Brannon Correctional Center in McAlester, OK.



J. Curtis Easter, #711709
JDCC, Taft, OK

It was there that I met Sharla Yoder and Redeeming Love Prison Ministry (RLPM). I had received some knowledge of God's grace but was eager to learn more. The book Sharla wrote, *God's Grace Liberates!*, impacted my life. I tell you with confidence that it has been a blessing for me to be in prison. I have also learned that which David wrote: ***Be still, and know that I am God*** (Psalm 46:10). Although I had read the Word diligently for 25 years, it was not with a right motive, but to check it off my daily list of things I did for God because of my self effort and self-righteousness. Now the scripture John wrote, ***For [I] have known and believed the love that God has for [me]*** (1 John 4:16) has become so real to me! The ambassadors from RLPM helped me realize God's love for me and how HE has made me worthy and that righteousness is a free gift from Him. I now know that I am a joint heir with Christ (Romans 8:17), receiving all of His blessings by grace, not my good works!

Now that I am at JDCC in Taft, OK, Bill and Judy Hulett have been wonderful teachers of grace through RLPM's Homes of

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Honor class. I am so grateful for the ambassadors (volunteers) of Redeeming Love Prison Ministry: Sharla, Bill, Judy, Roann, Ina, Steve, Tom, and David. I am even more grateful for their life-changing truths that have changed me. While in this facility, I have been able to share the things I have learned with many of the other inmates. My desire after release is to once again be restored to a corporate setting, utilizing my God-given talents to grow a profitable business, as well as to share the Gospel of Good News with leaders (both present and future), including who they are in Christ, and the subject of our righteousness in Christ. I love Ephesians 2:10—***We are His workmanship, created in Christ Jesus unto good works, which God [has] before ordained that we should walk in them.*** I am very appreciative to RLPM and to Jesus Christ our Lord and Savior for ALL He has done for me!

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MIRACLE HEALING AT WOMEN'S PRISON!

by Candy Wilson and Sharla Yoder

Sharla: Last month we had our second prison healing service, and it was held at EWCC Chapel in Taft, OK. We would like to share what our Lord did in one of the incarcerated lady's life. She was a slightly short, Hispanic woman, probably in her late twenties.

Candy: Healing was the expression of God's love last month at EWCC, as many of the inmates received both healing and deliverance! Sharla had just invited the ladies who had come to the front for salvation (there were four) as well as other Christians to receive the infilling of the Holy Spirit (there were thirteen). This young Hispanic lady now stood in front of me for ministry. When I laid hands on her, she received the infilling of the Holy Spirit and immediately was deeply touched and began weeping and praying in other tongues!



Candy Wilson
RLPM Ambassador

Sharla: After I had done quite a lot of teaching of the scriptures on healing, between some of Brenda's anointed healing songs, I began inviting the ladies to the front for various healing or deliverance needs. One of the last things I called for was for ladies with bodily injuries, pain, or swelling.

Candy: This same lady came to me for healing ministry for her knee. Her right knee had hurt her so much she could hardly walk without a lot of pain. As I laid hands on her, God again touched her deeply as she wept. I sensed that God was cutting off the negative energy and inroads Satan had used in her life.

Sharla: Near the end of the service, I asked how many of the ladies believed they had been healed or delivered of something. About fifty hands went up! Several of the ladies came forward to give their testimony. This same lady was one of the first ones to come up.

Candy: She started by saying, ***"I have never been to church before, and I had no idea there was anything like all of this available! I saw the flyers you sent down about this service that were posted and decided to come. I soon understood that God really loves me and came up to be saved and receive the Holy Spirit. Then when Sharla asked about injuries, I came up for God to heal my right knee."***

Sharla: She went on to say that she could hardly bend her knee very far. She said, ***"NOW, ALL THE PAIN AND SWELLING IS GONE!"*** She began to bend her knee way down as she squatted down to the floor! Then she jumped up a few times and said with a BIG smile, ***'Thank God, now I think I can even run!'*** and she took off running to her seat near the back of the chapel auditorium! Everyone broke out into a thunderous applause with LOUD praise!! It was a night we will always remember, and I know she will too! THANK YOU, JESUS, You still do miracles today! Thank you, partners, and TO GOD BE ALL OF THE GLORY!!!

THE LORD WILL CAUSE ALL THINGS TO WORK TOGETHER FOR YOUR GOOD!

And we know that all things work together for good to those who love God, to those who are called according to His purpose.

—Romans 8:28

MAIL BOX

Hey, Sharla! I'm Ashley MacAulay, I just read your book, *God's Grace Liberates!* Amazing book! It really touched my heart. I wanted to say thank you. It's really been hard being here in prison. I have not been able to communicate with my family for 24 days. Most of my family are in Colorado. My mom is all I have here in Oklahoma. I have been depressed and stressed out because I have no one to help me while in prison to get the stuff I need and such. Then I read your book. It made me realize that God's got this! All I need to do is have faith and HE will make sure I get the stuff I need, and He has! By reading your book, I can tell you're an amazing lady with a big heart. Thank you for helping us who are locked up to learn the truth about God's love and grace, and the things we need to know from God's Word to become successful in life. Without people like you, we can feel forgotten about and that even God doesn't care. But now, because of your book, I know He really **does** love me and cares about everything!



Ashley MacAulay, #735386
MBCC, McLoud, OK

Love,

Ashley MacAulay, #735386 C2A-210
MBCC, McLoud, OK

HEART TO HEART

by Sharla Yoder

I hope you enjoy reading the testimonies of some of the precious inmates that we have the joy of ministering to, and seeing how God uses us together with Him in transforming their lives!

It is wonderful to know that you have a vital and eternal part in this ministry of love and grace to hurting people behind bars, who desperately need JESUS (or more of HIM and His Word)! We do not hear from many of them who are greatly healed, transformed, or impacted another way, but we are so thankful for those who do communicate their victories and gratitude so that we can pass along their precious testimonies to you!

Last month, our finances for RLPM were considerably lower than usual, but we know that our great God is Jehovah Jirah, our provider. ☺ We thank you so much for your partnership in giving faithfully and praying for us as the Holy Spirit puts us on your heart. If you are able to give extra this month, it will be greatly appreciated, and if not, we understand. Please know that we love you, pray for you, and believe God is blessing you tremendously in every area of your life!

We appreciate any comments or feedback you may have, from time to time, about our newsletters. ☺ THANK YOU!

We look forward to hearing from you soon!

His Love and Mine,

Sharla Yoder, Founder/Director
Redeeming Love Prison Ministry, Inc.

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 2:45 PM.

Every TUESDAY — "Homes of Honor" (Christian Family Relationships), JDCC Men's Prison, Taft, OK 3-5 PM. Leaders, Bill and Judy Hulett.

1st, 3rd, (& if 5th) WEDNESDAY — Tulsa County Jail — 12 pods, team outreaches plus Chapel Service (2 pods), 6:30-8:20 PM (B.A. group meets 5:45 PM), Coordinator, Ina Dilldine.

2nd WEDNESDAY — Cimarron Correctional Center, Cushing, OK — Teaching/Ministry, Tom Cabell, and Roy Mowry, Michael Shanahan, Leader, 6:30-8 PM.

3rd WEDNESDAY — OSP Men's Maximum Prison — Cell to Cell ministry, 9 AM – 3 PM, McAlester, OK, Dr. David Cavallaro, Leader.

4th WEDNESDAY — Creek County Jail, Sapulpa, OK, meet 6:45 PM, Coordinator Mickie Brooks.

4th FRIDAY — MBCC Women's Prison, McLoud, OK, Team Outreach/GYM. Meet in B.A. at 2:45 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 5:30 PM or at the Prison at 7 PM.

EVERY SUNDAY — 10:30 A.M., 12 & 12 Rehabilitation Center Worship Service, Tulsa, OK..

3rd SUNDAY — JBCC Men's Prison, McAlester, OK; meet in B.A. at 3:20 PM, Evangelistic Team Outreach/Worship Service/Chapel, 5:30-7 PM.

RLPM-OKC Ambassadors also minister at Lexington, Cleveland County Jail, and 12 & 12 Rehabilitation Center, Tulsa.

12 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
- Federal Transfer Center, OKC, OK
- Jackie Brannon Men's Prison, McAlester, OK
- Jess Dunn Correctional Center Men's Prison, Taft, OK
- Juvenile Crisis Center, OKC, OK
- Lexington Assessment and Reception Center, Lexington, OK
- Mabel Bassett Women's Prison, McLoud, OK
- 12 & 12 Rehabilitation Center, Tulsa, OK
- Oklahoma State Penitentiary, McAlester, OK

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