



January & February Prayer Letter 2023

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Proverbs 22:6 ¶ Train up a child in the way he should go: and when he is old, he will not depart from it.

Dear Friends,

God has brought us through another year and we are now completely past being locked out of the prisons because of COVID! Just looking at our Prayer Letter from last year to now; HE has allowed us to continue Witnessing, and it is not a time to quit. Our Country seems to be getting farther and farther away from the things of God, and we have even more reasons to Witness than we ever have! TIME IS SHORT!

We were able to attend a four day annual Winter Revival at our Home Church in January. What a blessing it is to slow down and sit under men of God that has gone through some things and wants to share how the Lord is going to help us through our trials and troubles. It is always good to just "Be Still" sometimes!

Back in December one of our faithful Church bus riders, for over five years, was arrested for stealing a car with a one year old child in the backseat and a weapon in the car. They were unaware either was in the car when they took it from someone's driveway, as the mother of the child was taking in groceries. The bus captain contacted us and ask if my wife and myself could go and talk to the child, (14 years old)! After contacting the Detention Center, we were allowed to visit them for one hour. Of course our visit was to see if they knew Jesus as their Saviour! After giving them a Rock of Ages New Testament and reading material, you could see they were under Conviction and they ask Jesus to forgive them with such humbleness. Only the Lord knows what they will be facing "criminally", but now they do not have to face it alone! AMEN! Pray for this child and the family! Also pray we could go into this Juvenile Facility on a monthly basis!! AMEN!

At a County Jail, myself and four volunteers visited in the Dorms, preached and talked one on one with the men. We had liberty and the Lord moved on the first day; **14 men** made a profession of Faith on the first day. PRAISE THE LORD! During one of the services a man came in the small room where we were having services, tears running down his face, crying uncontrollably. After calming him down, we went back into the service. He still had some tears slowly falling, but as he listened to the Word of God being preached; the tears faded, a small smile came then laughter came. Only God can get us through our hurt and pain! At this same Jail on the second day something happened that has never happened to me in the 23 years of serving full time with the Rock of Ages Ministries. When we came back to the Jail after lunch, the Officer at the door said, "we have an incident and you cannot come in". I contacted the Sergeant at the Juvenile Facility behind the Jail and we were able to go in and we had two separate Preaching services! Boy! Through the preaching of God's Word **four young teenage boys** made a profession of Faith. One of the boys was 14 and told us he had twin babies! WOW! By the way this was confirmed by an Officer. **THE LORD is Faithful!** We later found out that an Inmate had been murdered by five other Inmates in his Cell, that morning while we were having services and visitation. Sometimes folks are at deaths door and refuse the Gospel and step off into hell! We never want to take for granted God's Hands of protection for us all these years! We are thankful to be a Christian, doing what God has called us to do and have such FAITHFUL PRAYER WARRIORS AND SUPPORTORS!

Myself and three Volunteers went into another Prison I have been going in at least 13 years, and it houses at least 639 young men, (Youthful Offenders). My wife was in the parking lot to pick me up, as it was close to the time we would be leaving the Prison. Two buses with 12 young inmates in each bus pulled up to the gates of the Prison, the gates opened and the young boys began to step out of the buses, officers were carrying rifles over their shoulders as these young boys stepped out, each one had all their belongings thrown over their shoulders in what looked like a small Military duffel bag. This Prison houses young men that has life sentences! WHAT IS WRONG? I am 76 years old and I remember when God was kicked out of our Public Schools. Without a doubt, that is when our Country started going in the wrong direction! It breaks my heart to see these young and old men, their lives is over if they do not except God in their lives! GOD HELP US! While at this same Prison as we were visiting in the Dorms, a young man was laying on the bottom bunk, both his hands under his head with a happy smile on his face. There were other men laying on their beds and I began to share the Gospel with him, as he kept smiling and told me he was Saved. After a while, he said, "I have read the Bible and the Quran and I like what the Quran says". This young man may be here for murder and is still headed in the wrong direction. Our youth are in trouble! The Quran contains many people and events that are also found in our Bible. KJV Bible says in, **John 14:6 Jesus saith unto him, I am the way the truth, and the life: no man cometh unto the Father, but by me.** This young man did not get Saved, but I loaded him up with Gospel Literature and gave him my Testimony how Jesus changed everything about me and because of Jesus I will never go back to my past lifestyle. None of these Inmates ask the Lord to Save them, but the "seeds" were planted and that is what we are required to do!

This is also the Prison my wife and I have taken the Christmas Dinner to for several years. We got carried away in our last Prayer Letter and did not mention the Dinner. Two months before the time to take the Dinner I spoke to the Chaplain and he wanted us to donate \$10.00 for 125 Inmates and 25 Officers because of the new COVID policy we could not cook anything or get the fried chicken from Walmart as we had always did. He said he would call me back. I did not get a call confirming anything and when I contacted him to do the schedule for 2023 he thought he had contacted me and told us to do what we had always done. This was on Thursday and the meal was on Monday! My wife immediately called Walmart for 350 pieces of fried chicken to be picked up at 6:00 AM Monday! The LORD put it together and we headed to the Prison for a four hour trip by 6:30 AM Monday! **Thank you for your prayers and faithful financial support! We love you!**

In His Service,
Roger Herndon
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Psalms 54:4 Behold, God is mine Helper; the Lord is with them that uphold my soul.
2 Corinthians 4:5 For we preach not ourselves, but Christ Jesus the Lord; and ourselves your servants for Jesus' sake.

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