



Dear Pastor and Friends,

November and December 2022

**UPDATES:** It is so good to write to you again concerning the prison ministry. Thank you for your continued prayers and support to the work of the ministry. We would not be able to continue doing this work without each of you. It was such a blessing to see the Lord's work the past two months. I have continued to work at Fulton County Jail 3 to 4 days each week. We will be going through some changes at the jail, due to the head Chaplain planning to retire at the end of January. I will also be increasing my days and hours in January because the contract Chaplain has just taken a sabbatical to take care of his wife. In addition to that, I have continued teaching our ROA Character Under Construction lessons to the men at the Atlanta City Baptist Rescue Mission on Wednesdays. It has been a great blessing to be able to minister to and counsel the men at the jail and the rescue mission. The men in the jail are always telling us that the Chaplain's office is the only ones who respond to their request. One inmate told me the other day that the inmates know who really cares for them. He told me our attention and response to them lets them know how much we really care. He said, "That is love in action." I told him that I am thankful for the opportunity to show the love of Christ. I always pray that the Lord will help me see them as Christ sees them.

**LOOKING FORWARD:** I will start increasing my days at the jail to help with the shortage in staff. I am still waiting for approval from the Programs Director to begin our lessons. I will continue to meet the spiritual needs of the inmate each day. We deliver 50+ pieces of material every day to the floor. I pray the seed takes root and God gives the increase. I have been, and will continue to do discipleship training on Wednesdays with the men at the Atlanta City Baptist Rescue Mission.

**PRAYER REQUEST:** Please keep our family in your prayers. Help us pray about the continued work at Fulton County Jail. Help us pray that we can reach many with the gospel. Keep the jail in your prayers as we face the changes ahead. Help us pray the Lord's will is done.

Please send all support to Rock of Ages Ministries, account #210. To the bible fund, account #4210. If you would like to send it directly to me, you can send it made out to Matthew New, or Truth Baptist Church, PO Box 123 Villa Rica, GA 30180, marked in the memo area of the check for Matthew New.

Press On!

Brother Matthew New

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Signature: 

*2 Corinthians 4:5* For we preach not ourselves, but Christ Jesus the Lord; and ourselves your servants for Jesus' sake.