

Pray with Jail Chaplains 18 April 2024

Ministry Focus:

1. **Spring groups:** For facilitators / participants / host churches. **Prep for summer groups. New collaboration with meals/ childcare at First United Methodist.**
2. For people to volunteer with **Compassionate Visitors** (one-on-one, through the glass at the jail), and with **Friday Night Worship** (8pm) in the Women's Pod. Prayers for those **recently baptized** and continued interest / conversations about baptism - Praise for transformative impact.
3. **Celebration of 6 years of Living Free in July.** Along with new training and curriculum. Revival of local church interest. Pray for 200 to attend! Live Feed for Texas Volunteers and Wise County Correctional Facility
4. **Growth from Correctional Ministries Conference (May 16-19). Safe Travel for staff and volunteers.**

Requests from Jail: *multiple requests about increased demonic activity. *That Satan and every demon and all evil spirits will be banished at the portal *Spiritual protection especially at night / relief from night terrors.

*For kids and caregivers while mom / dad is away. *For favor and second chances through the legal system *For those struggling to find housing & treatment *Forgiveness *Restore hope, faith, courage – to be at peace no matter what. *For healing of addicted brain, PTSD, Anxiety, Depression, Trauma, old patterns and habits *Rescue from sin and death *To sustain a new way of life *Continuing road of sobriety *to connect quickly to a Jesus-centered church when released *for encounters with Jesus through His Word, Spirit, His people...in conversation, prayer, dreams and visions. *That POD H will be a kingdom sanctuary where Jesus and Truth are known and reign*For wisdom and healing in relationships – for partners to grow closer together as they grow closer to Jesus. *For very first connections upon release -a clean/sober ride and a healthy place to stay. *For those struggling with challenging mental health issues. *Healthy pregnancies and deliveries for those incarcerated.

***For every group** including Anger, Men's 33, Facing Fear, Stepping into Freedom, AA, Alpha, Worship Services, Celebrate Recovery, etc.

***For healthy staff and officers...health in the pods...recruitment...officers' relationships**

*** For Visits with Chaplain John**

Staff Requests: (Heather, John, Eric, Mike): For health and healing, covering for spiritual warfare. Heather's step dad (chemo), Eric's Mom (transition to assisted living / adjustment to move to Moorhead/ diagnosis of Louey Body Dementia).

Individual Prayer Requests & Praises (mostly from community groups and volunteers)

Health and Healing for many volunteers: G-diabetes T-heart (in & out of hospital); N- Son and Grandson in recovery; M: Stepdaughter qualify for assistance, Son in recovery, Grandson visiting; D – new grandbaby and family dynamics; L – health and stamina & praise for hunger for God's word in multiple groups; L – Time Management; Crossing Homes – women's house being sold. Uncertain if they will still be able to rent. God's favor and alternative location; B – mission trip with sons (and funding) + wife's health; G – new call as pastor; S – Ongoing Compassionate Visits; B – daughter in Oklahoma getting married. FFFF guys with Jason on Sundays and Jollen on Tuesdays; Second Chance Ministry (Paul P.) Praise- A and her family attending church! For T, J, and B who want to be Jail Chaplain volunteers; four new people expressing interest in prayer ministry and volunteer opportunities; J & his 3 kids grieving and adjusting to death of their mom and his niece in treatment; for recently released to connect to churches and other recovery groups too (Celebrate Recovery, Alpha, Men's 33, Peer Support); women recently released – for strength in recovery, healthy next steps, connection to a church.

For facilitators and Participants of Spring Groups

- Fearless Forgiveness (Women online & Library), (Men online & DMF – pray for place to meet during DMF move)
- For ongoing community groups: Anger (Men), Anger (Women Online), Facing Fear (Women Online), Understanding Depression (Men). Walking in Freedom with Lunch (Women). Walking in Freedom (Men at Babb's)
- Stepping into Freedom (Men)
- Practical Parenting (First United Methodist with Meal / Childcare)
- Youth Insight (next school year / once-a-month First United Methodist)
- Caregiving for Aging Parents & Image of God in You as these groups wrap up.

Jail Chaplains in Wise Correctional Facility in Texas (With Bob D) – Men's Anger and Women's Facing Fear. New volunteers. Praying for more volunteers and churches to join.

Ways to get prayer requests distributed to Jail Chaplains Prayer Team

1. **Most Timely: Facilitator can post them** into the private facebook group using first initials only to preserve confidentiality.

(Search for the group within Facebook:

'Pray With Jail Chaplains Living Free FM')

Alternately – about once a week we'll post any requests emailed to prayer@jailchaplains.com
(can send text or photo)

Save the Dates for next Third Thursday Prayer (at noon at Relevant Life):

May 16. June 20.

April 18 - 5-7pm Bethel Church Room E Volunteer Gathering with Pizza

May 10 - Officer Correctional Week Picnic

June 25th - Second Chance Picnic

July 17th - 6 Year Celebration JC and LF

October 17 - Dessert Social

Psalm 25 (NLT)

¹ O LORD, I give my life to you.

² I trust in you, my God! Do not let me be disgraced, or let my enemies rejoice in my defeat.

³ No one who trusts in you will ever be disgraced, but disgrace comes to those who try to deceive others.

⁴ Show me the right path, O LORD; point out the road for me to follow.

⁵ Lead me by your truth and teach me for you are the God who saves me. All day long I put my hope in you.

⁶ Remember, O LORD, your compassion and unfailing love, which you have shown from long ages past.

⁷ Do not remember the rebellious sins of my youth. Remember me in the light of your unfailing love, for you are merciful, O LORD.

⁸ The LORD is good and does what is right; he shows the proper path to those who go astray.

⁹ He leads the humble in doing right, teaching them his way.

¹⁰ The LORD leads with unfailing love and faithfulness all who keep his covenant and obey his demands.

¹¹ For the honor of your name, O LORD, forgive my many, many sins.

¹² Who are those who fear the LORD? He will show them the path they should choose.

¹³ They will live in prosperity, and their children will inherit the land.

¹⁴ The LORD is a friend to those who fear him. He teaches them his covenant.

¹⁵ My eyes are always on the LORD, for he rescues me from the traps of my enemies.

¹⁶ Turn to me and have mercy, for I am alone and in deep distress.

¹⁷ My problems go from bad to worse. Oh, save me from them all!

¹⁸ Feel my pain and see my trouble. Forgive all my sins.

¹⁹ See how many enemies I have and how viciously they hate me!

²⁰ Protect me! Rescue my life from them! Do not let me be disgraced, for in you I take refuge.

²¹ May integrity and honesty protect me, for I put my hope in you.

²² O God, ransom Israel from all its troubles.