

2009 Missions Report - MEC Jail Ministry Summary

Key: CR = Celebrate Recovery class; ISC = Individual Spiritual Counseling sessions; VOAC = Victory over Addictions class

Facility	Size	MEC Services	Praises!	Prayer Requests
Anoka County				
<u>Anoka Co. Juvenile Programs:</u> (12-17) AC Non-Secure (ACNS) AC Sanford & Walker (ACSW) East Central Regional Juvenile Center (ECRJC)	24 Beds 50 Beds 36 Beds	3 Church services, 5 Bible studies, ISC	Continued positive relationships with staff amidst several staff changes.	As transitions continue, pray that these relationships will remain strong and communications be clear.
Anoka Co. Medium Security (ACMS) <i>Closed in 2009</i> Inmates moved to Sherburne Co. & ACWR	62 Beds	Church service, ISC, 3 Bible studies	The majority of MEC volunteers here are volunteering in other jails following the close of this facility.	Inmates who would have gone here are now being housed at Sherburne County, ACWR, and home monitoring. Pray that the Victory over Addictions class can be started at Sherburne County jail.
Anoka Co. Work Release (ACWR)	240 Beds	Church services, ISC, 3 Bible studies	After one year elapsed, women's Bible study was started again!	Would like parenting classes, need volunteers.
Downtown Anoka Jail Facility (ACJF)	248 Inmates	8 Bible studies, 2 ISC		Volunteers would like longer service times on Saturday evenings.
Chisago County				
Chisago County Jail	53 Beds	Church 3 rd Sun., ISC, 2 Bible studies, VOAC	They have agreed to allow MEC volunteers to meet with inmates to devise aftercare plans!	We need good aftercare materials and volunteers to provide this service.
Goodhue County				
MN Correctional Facility in Red Wing	125 Beds	Bible study	Men's Bible study started this year.	Volunteer here would like to do outreach.
Hennepin County				
Hennepin Co. Adult Corrections Facility (HCACF)	125 Work Release	Church 2 nd Sunday, ISC, VOAC as needed	Networking with Prison Fellowship and Aglow.	Chaplain there would like help with musicians for worship and an inmate choir.
Hennepin Co. Adult Detention Center (HCADC)	839 Beds	Church services in 6 quads, VOAC, 16 Bible studies, 1 Dynamic Relationships class	Chaplain Dave continues to network with MEC. We have been able to start eight new services here this year and had a successful transition with a new program director.	We are praying for volunteers to lead 4 or 5 more Bible studies and a parenting class for women.
Hennepin Co. Juvenile (HCJ)	75 Male Students	Church service, 2 Bible studies	A few volunteers are still interested in serving here, if God reopens the doors.	That jail staff will be open to Christian ministries. This facility had many Christian volunteers who have not been allowed to continue here.
Ramsey County				
Ramsey Co. Adult Detention Center (RCADC)	450 Beds	Church services in 5 units, 4 Bible studies	A Spanish-speaking minister has agreed to continue the Spanish services on Friday evenings. Inmates are hungry for God's Word and requesting more services.	Additional Sunday morning volunteers would enable us to add another service. One of our volunteers is grateful to have found work; however, the schedule required a sabbatical and he would like to return to this ministry.

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Ramsey Co. Correctional Facility (RCCF) – formerly Work Release		Saturday evening and 1 Sunday /month Church services, Bible study	Following a lapse in communication with jail administration, connections have been reestablished and potential for increased ministry has been discussed.	Pray that improved communications continue and for increased attendance at the women’s Bible study.
Roseau County				
Roseau County Jail (one volunteer)		3 Church services, ISC	Services for both men and women in the jail and at the courthouse post-release. Jim’s dedication to helping inmates has granted favor in this small community.	For Jim’s health, that he can continue the good work the Lord has established here. He would like another volunteer to come alongside to assist him.
Scott County				
Scott County Jail	264 Beds	4 Church services, 10 Bible studies, CR, VOAC, music & mentoring	Victory over Addictions is established on two units and communication following staff changes is flowing well.	We have 3 openings that need to be filled by volunteers: VOAC, women’s Bible study, and a Spanish-speaking Bible study
Scott County Juvenile Facility-Jordan	16 Beds		Services started here with Christian volunteers who are not MEC. An MEC volunteer will start here soon.	This volunteer was in an accident and needs healing for small spine fractures in the neck area.
Washington County				
Washington County Jail	200 Beds	3 Church services, 9 Bible studies, 1 women’s music & prayer session	Years of positive relationship with the administration here. Some follow up with the inmates is allowed.	We need volunteers for Sunday afternoon women’s sessions that could be Bible study or music and prayer - three Sundays a month.
Private Jails run by Volunteers of America				
Avanti Center for Girls in Blaine	Girls 12-18	Writing forum started and stopped	Staff continues to be open to working with MEC volunteers who come forward.	Opportunities may be available for volunteers to fill a spiritual values group, chapel, outreaches, and/or Bible study. Due to budget cuts, time residents will be here has decreased. Pray for effective ministry.
Bar None Residential Treatment Services in Anoka	Boys 12-18	Church service, basketball & Bible study outreach, and haircut outreach		
Regional Corrections Center in Roseville	69 Beds Men & Women	Mom’s in Touch, Christian movie night, occasional special events Working toward parenting classes for men and women	With this women’s facility becoming a transitional facility for both men and women from prison reentering the community, staff is still open to MEC volunteers.	Need substitutes for the parenting classes and praying for staff and inmates to be more open to Christian programming.