

# Missionary Evangelism to Corrections

Sharing the gospel & Christ's love with those in corrections since 1982



April 30, 2019

## Event Cancelled



**Bill Arnold**  
Comedian, Entertainer  
Radio Host & Minister

6:30-8:30pm Sun-  
day 6/23/2019  
Willowbrook Church  
Forest Lake MN  
Fellowship  
• Testimonies

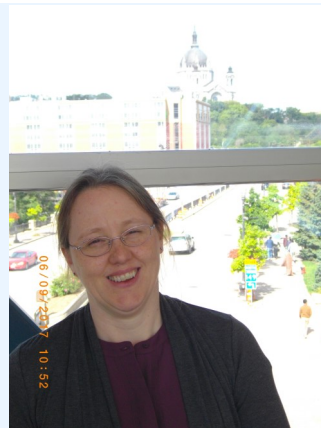
## MEC Spotlight Nadine Behrens

Hello, my name is Nadine Behrens and I will be working with MEC through the summer. I will mostly be doing office work.

I am originally from Germany where I worked as a hotel night manager in the city of Duesseldorf.

There I also met my husband Mark, who was working in Germany at the time (he is a US citizen).

In 2004 we got married and shortly after that my husband had to return to the US so we decided to move to Lindstrom. In 2012 my son Elias (now 7 years old) was born.



## Some of the April Prayer & Praises

These prayer requests and praise reports are from different volunteers and different facilities. If you want to be able to pray more in-depth, ask about the intercession letter.

There have recently been some incidents which may or may not hit the news but if you could each pray and have others pray for corrections in your county, it would be very important. This would be a blessing to us, to you, to them and the rest of your community. In the many years we have done this the severity of the incidents have not been as strong as some of them I have heard lately. The schools also have things to deal with they have not had to deal with in the past. May the Lord's



Photo Unsplash Kyrill Ushakov Our reminder to pray for light in this dark place

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Herzlich Willkommen  
Welecome! Bienvenue  
Bienvenido добро

ПОЖАЛОВАТЬ 欢迎

ようこそ Gratissimum

καλως ΗΡΘΑΤΕ ברוך הבא

I am a stay-at-home mom, but since my son is going to school now, I was looking for something else to do and Karen offered me to come and work at the MEC office.

My interests include gardening, reading, studying languages and learning about God. We attend Lakes Free

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Spirit come in the mighty power and strength of His Love to replace these. I would like to urge all of you to be praying for your specific county jails, the staff, the inmates, the volunteers and families of each.



Although all of the counties that we are ministering in need prayer, and we encourage you to go on the website to find out more specifics of who to pray for in your county, we are asking for special prayer today and over time. Please agree in prayer with this prayer which was submitted by a volunteer, "the atmosphere around there must be so tension filled, dark and so heavy for inmates and staff alike. May Our Lord, our Great Defender, our Warrior, strike down the demons of anger, depression, resentment, hurt, accusation and violence, and surround His children [and all who work or reside there] with a hedge of protection."

We also prayed together more in depth for the ones who were inflicting harm in three separate situations of bullying, stabbing and a suicide attempt. May they know the love of Christ, to be healed, become whole and develop kindness and love. Please help them know the worth that You place on them and guide her/them in your ways.

For the ones being hurt and especially the one(s) with a gentle spirit and tender hearts to feel your hand of protection and to know what is needed. If they should stand up to them, ask for justice, return love for evil, have humor that would turn the situation around. That they would know God's love can never be taken away from them/her. To have confidence & peace, to know your power and control be there, in the Name of Jesus.

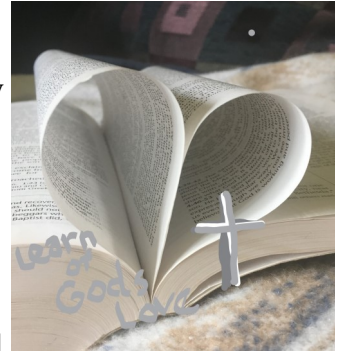
**Michael Murphy** - Twelve men came today, two left early but our topic was Reverse the Curse – How and Why Jesus came to destroy the works of the devil – and why He's the only one who could!



Wow. God is good!

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Church in Lindstrom where we enjoy the teaching and the fellowship with Christ and other believers.



I cannot remember a time when I did not believe in God. Even at a young age I was sure that He must exist, although I was too young to really understand the Bible and its teachings.

Unfortunately I did not receive any help or instruction from my parents or family since they were agnostic at best and had themselves very little understanding of God.

Because of this I grew up without much support from the people around me.

That changed when I met my husband and he sent and took me to church. I started to read and study the Bible and my understanding has been growing ever since. I realized that God has been calling me all those years but that He also wants me to come forward and make a commitment to follow Him. So, I got on my knees one evening and asked Him to come into my life. I know that I have still much to learn but every day is a new lesson.

*Nadine Behrens*

We know we are not alone in Ministry and so each month do a shout-out to others  
This month our Ministry Friend Shout Out is to

## Amborella House

has the goal of providing emergency shelter and transitional housing for women who have been rescued from sex trafficking and sexual exploitation, women who need a place to escape "the life" and redeem their future in a safe, nurturing, and faith-based environment. They are currently raising funds to purchase a house.

[www.amborellahouse.org](http://www.amborellahouse.org)

Amborella House, P.O. Box 725, Wyoming, MN 55092  
763.443.8488

GREAT discussion! Great morning – we finished praying at the end and NO ONE got up. None of us wanted to leave because we just felt the presence of the Holy Spirit! We gathered in a circle and said the Lord's prayer arm in arm – and then went on our way!

**Shelley Albert** - The Thursday meeting was very good. The ladies are so receptive. They are learning Gods' love is unconditional and everlasting. He will give strength in situations. With God they are never alone. One woman wrote that every time she attends church and/or bible study she opens up more and more to God. JoAnne [Crosby] and myself make a good team. They all left prayer requests which included, wanting to go to treatment, children, husbands and boyfriends, sisters and other family members, friends, understanding and peace, mothers caring for their children, their cases, strength, sobriety, faith, pain, surgeries, health, and safety.



Photo: skitterphoto pexels as our reminder to Pray for families

**Jan McGuire** - We had a great time with 6 ladies tonight! Praise God for the great turnout!! The Holy Spirit was definitely leading tonight as I did things totally out of order but there was a reason for it!!

I started by asking if anyone had anything special, they had been reading in the bible or any questions. Kim\* piped up and said she needs to find a sober living solution. I mentioned Teen Challenge but she has another place in mind and hoped to get in there. She was thumbing through her bible as she talked and then Jamesha\* said she had been reading in Proverbs and recommended Proverbs Chapters 1-12 to Kerry. I said let's read Proverbs 1 and many read a portion of the verses. A few shared the verses that spoke to them including Letisha\* shared that one of the verses really spoke to her about getting her life back in order. She asked questions about how a person knows when it's time to accept the Lord and that led into the devotion I had brought from Our Daily Bread entitled "Ruth's story". It shared about a woman in her 80's who had come to know the Lord in her 30's and she was still telling her story 50 years later. The scripture with the devotion was Romans 10:13. For "everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved." The perfect scripture for someone who needed to call out to Jesus!

**Shalanda Nyaosi** prayed a powerful prayer for Letisha\* as she surrendered her life to the Lord! All the ladies exclaimed and were so happy afterwards. We barely talked a few more minutes and the guard came to the classroom and motioned Letisha\* to come to the door. She was being released! If I had followed my normal routine and schedule, she would have left the room before we had read the devotion or a different conversation could have evolved but the Lord was at work!! Praise the Lord! It was quite impactful and the joy of Letisha\* coming to the Lord carried through the rest of our time together. □



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unplash  
as our Rejoicing Leticia  
came to Christ  
and is Free!

\*Names changed for confidentiality but prayers and praises are real!

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