

Missionary Evangelism to Corrections

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

I was in prison and you came to me Matt. 25:36cESV

September 30, 2019

Can You join us? Link to Register

MEC Spotlight A few of Many Volunteer Reports

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Dr. Tim Walsh VP MN Adult & Teen Challenge Keynote Presentation The "Born Again" Brain

Dr. Walsh is a Licensed Psychologist, Ordained Minister, National Trainer and Vice President at MN Adult and Teen Challenge. He is on the MEC Board and has been volunteering with MEC for over 25 years. He has expertise in Corrections, Ministry and Psychology.

His presentation will describe how God **changes our brain** once we choose to follow Him. Integrating Brain Scans, Clinical Research and the Gospel, Tim will discuss how our relationship with Christ significantly benefits to our Brain Chemistry, Mental Health and overall quality of life.

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Program

Saturday, November 16th 6:00-8:30 p.m. Serenity Village Community Church

> 4100 Douglas Drive N Crystal, MN 55422

Dessert & Fellowship 6-6:45 PM **Worship & Program** 6:45-8:30 PM



Serenity Village Worship Team

REGISTRATION INFORMATION

Cost: \$15 — Register at www.mecjailministry.com E-mail: mec@usfamily.net Or call: (651)-408-1300

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MEC is a local jail ministry. *Each week* we share the gospel with 800 inmates through the work of 166 volunteers who put on 86 weekly services. We are in 17 facilities in 7 counties in MN and Wisconsin. Attend and learn more.

Sponsors

MN Adult & Teen Challenge Counseling Care-Lake Elmo & Burnsville Serenity Village Church This month has been so busy there has been no time to write, but this gives time to share with you some of the wonderful things God is doing and challenges to pray for. These are a few of the excerpts from our volunteer reports.

Rich Maurico, We have a number of Mexican inmates and need Bilingual Bibles. Yohan* – from another country,... keep my family safe and the US to not take my children away. He came to know Christ while he was in jail. One of the men led him to the Lord and he is on fire

There are 12 of them getting together at 10:30 – that is when I read and prayed for them ... The officers come by and see and hear them praying out loud and they do not shut them down. One ...shared this with his mother [who was] not a believer. She was at level 4 with cancer. He told her that they were praying for her and for healing from her cancer. She said if he heals me I will believe. She was healed and is a believer now.

"A few years ago there was a Jewish man who came and said can we come to your Bible Study? Would it, I responded, if it not for you people, we would not be

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here, Please come in." I gave him a Gideon Bible and he read it. When I asked him what he thought about it, He said, "I read it and I believe that Jesus is the Messiah" He became a believer and came to our Bible Study regularly. He came one day to tell us he had some bad news. It was good though because he went to New York and shared with his family. Pray for his family that they come to believe.

Brian—Pray for the jail to be filled with Gods spirit to overflowing. That his Spirit would light the dark places in the jail and courts. That more good would overcome the evil. Pray for the staff and powers in authority. Thank you!

Jennifer Polman - Katie & I had a heart-warming discussion with the 6 ladies met at _the jail yesterday. We sat back and smiled at the encouragement they provide for each other & for the precious, life-changing gift the Bible is. We did part 2 of principle one as we didn't realize until after preparing Lisa & Renee

Experience it was exactly what the ladies needed as the discussions were fruitful, praise Jesus.

Ron Sandstorm 's report was about this distribution of Gideon Bibles (not in the jail but you could say it is crime prevention) • On the Minneapolis Campus we distributed 4,144, and St Paul did 426 for a 2019 grand total of 4,570, the average over 15 years has been 6,470 He thanks all who participated, especially Dan Paul, who greeted and made assignments

Dan & Rosalind Miller - We were blessed to have so many (27) and still had a peaceful night. There was a lot of soul searching and honesty. (Individual requests in prayer and intercession letter—two were from men who would go to prison for quite a long time.

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Ann * - She thanked Jeannie and Marilyn for being there when she needed someone the most. This was some time ago, but it gave her encouragement & hope when she needed it most; being pregnant in jail & then her dad died. ...she was so glad to see J. again. She praised all of you who come to the jail to give care & hope. Her prayer - for all the women and men with any kind of addiction that are suffering. I pray that the sickness is lifted from all of them as well as me. Lord I ask for prayers for ...my five I gave birth to as well as my four step children. ..[to be] safe and calm, .. that I can soon be free in the world, ...get better myself ...be the change, show my true strength of courage., that all have soft hearts and find the Lord no matter where they are in life. Thank you for coming and taking the time for teaching us the Word of Jesus. In Jesus' name, Amen. * Name changed.

Jan McGuire - I had two groups again last Tuesday and had some great discussion.
The first group included 5 women and they all had a Life Recovery Bible and had already marked a lot of references. The second group included two women, one of which is a strong Christian who was literally discipling the younger lady. I don't think she knows the Lord yet. Praise God for His continued work in the jail. We talked about: -What is our greatest need today. -What is our greatest fear today. -What is our greatest hope today. Jesus can fill each of these if we trust Him and let Him. Verses included: Psalm 16:7 - ...good advice. Psalm 119:105 - His Word a lamp and light ... He gives us enough light for the day. 1 Peter 2:2 - His word .. like milk to help us grow. Phil 4:6 -&1 Peter 5:7 -pray Cast all our anxiety on Him, He cares!

Una alabanza a Dios el Padre de nuestro Señor Jesucristo, la fuente de todo consuelo.



Nos consuela en nuestros problemas para que podamos consolar a los demás. II Cor. 13: 4

Michael Murphy - Topic: How to 'hear' the voice of the Lord – part 1. John 16, John 10. The Holy Spirit empowers us, Jesus wants us to hear Him. Sin gets in the way. (Ps 66:18, Ps 139:23-24). Turnout: 15 men / 3 left early. Response: Very quick morning as the new schedule's started and they were short of deputies. Just got into it and everyone groaned when we had to quit so that's a good sign! Praise: Father God for forgiveness; The Lord Jesus for His precious blood; Always to the Holy Spirit for taking the study where He wanted it to go today and TAKING OVER!



Susan Janick & Barb Bryan -: "The Gospel in Autumn Colors." One ...asked to pray to receive Jesus Christ as Savior and Lord., another ...on her prayer request sheet. Two others were considering committing their lives to the Lord soon. Barb reminded her that we can't know how many days we have left in life. Please pray that whatever obstacles are keeping these two from giving their lives to Christ will be removed. Thank you for your faithful ministry of prayer! Serving Him Together with You.

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