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

MEC Spotlight On Prayer

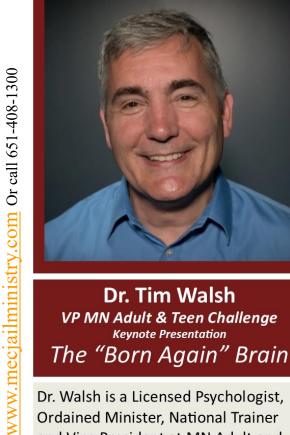
Greetings family in Christ and comrades in the battle. Please Pray, Pray, Pray, Pray, Pray.

It is sometimes overwhelming to hear all the needs out there and to balance personal life and ministry. Two more are in heaven this week. I am remembering three stories about prayer that I will share for encouragement.

One is about a unit during the war where one of the churches was praying. In the normal course of things this unit would have been losing men, but they were not. As the war was winding down and the men were coming home, the church stopped interceding and the unit started losing men. They called back and begged the church to pray as they had before and when the prayers were going out the unit did not lose any more men. A second story was a city-wide prayer vigil for 24 hours and there were no murders during that time. The third was from Rees Howl Intercessor where the prayers of intercessors in a quite room went out and the battle turned and the enemy should have had the victory but they turned back unexpectedly. I know that Jesus said we are not heard because of many words, but I do believe that your prayers make a difference. It helps me rest to know that you are praying.

The battle is strong, the opioid crisis is real for individuals and families. Those who have never used drugs are impacted and end up incarcerated. Pray for the inmates, volunteers, staff, families, and those who are returning to your community

Pray for the right people to come forward for volunteer positions. Let me know if Pray - cont. on pg. 2



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.

Missionary Evangelism to Corrections 2019 Fall **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

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Link to Register Can You join us?



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you want to be part of special prayer for the workers families, want to help with writing letters to youth, can help with Bible distribution or help with a special prayer initiative.

Karen Selby

1 Sam. 17:47 And everyone assembled here will know that the Lord rescues his people, but not with sword and spear. This is the Lord's battle, and he will give you to us!"

These prayers have been adapted for confidentiality and are only a sampling of the ones our intercessors pray for.

Bobbie – She remembered me/is. She requested prayer for her one-year old daughter and for her family has cut off all ties. She graduated from a 3-month recovery program but wasn't able to complete follow-up and has to start over again. That is her plan after the 6-month sentence. She was really excited to be in the Word again, and wants to make lasting changes and feels hopeful for her future.

Tammi - to be with my family for Thanksgiving this year. That those who are praying for me to have peace and be replenished. My court time to go well. (She has asked for a Bible from the Chaplain and was to be given one yesterday).

Darryl - Went to Teen Challenge and did not like the rules so left there. Pray that He and His parents can find Christ and the family can be united in knowing serving and loving Him.

Karlie - Young woman who's "friends" are telling her that she is valued because of her sexuality and her identity in Christ is being threatened. Her family has been impacted by addiction which has separated them all by death or imprisonment. Only one individual in the family knows Christ and is praying for her. This makes the impact of those who are saying they care

for her but are leading her down the wrong path that much more. Pray for Chrsit's love, for individuals to share and that she can open her heart to them.

Kim - This love of Christ is so real. **Karrie** - I am and want to remember to be overflowing with thankfulness like it says in Colossians 2.

Jim - Released tomorrow. (Will he be returning to your neighborhood?) Accepted Christ and came to understand forgiveness, age 20 and wants rest of life to be for Christ, Praising God for receiving my GED today. Pray for God to watch over me and for me to hit the ground running. [That things go well] with my family and sister. To be accepted and to find a good church home.



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