

LIBERTY BEHIND BARS MINISTRY

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The Spirit of the Lord GOD is upon me; because the LORD hath anointed me to preach good tidings unto the meek; he hath sent me to bind up the brokenhearted, to proclaim liberty to the captives, and the opening of the prison to them that are bound (Isa 61:1)

In Times Like These...

1st Corinthians 15:58

Therefore, my beloved brethren, be ye stedfast, unmoveable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, forasmuch as ye know that your labour is not in vain in the Lord.

When things in the world are still uncertain, it is so important to know and live this verse! Keep moving... Keep praying... Keep steadfast in His work! Our labor will not be vain in the Lord! Even with the shutdowns, restrictions, and protests going on in the city of Rochester and most cities in America, God has been faithful in expanding the number of individuals (those behind and beyond jail/prison) that I have been working with. Praise the Lord for his faithfulness!

The Bible says in Galatians 6:9 *And let us not be weary in well doing: for in due season we shall reap, if we faint not.* In times like these, when most may have waved the white flag... we must be strong in the Lord and fight the good fight! We must keep our testimonies and not get sucked in by the media (including social media disputations)! It is in times like these that Christians need to be most visible. We need to show and live our faith by others seeing Jesus in our lives; especially during these most difficult circumstances of Covid-19. People in the world are already feeling hopeless, depressed, and fearful. We need to stand on our faith and let others know there IS hope... there IS freedom from depression... there IS no fear in Christ Jesus!

1st Tim 6:12 Fight the good fight of faith, lay hold on eternal life, whereunto thou art also called, and hast professed a good profession before many witnesses.

In times like these...press on good soldier!

Praises with a bit of prayer...

Since the Covid-19 shut downs back in March, I have had much time to spend with the Lord. He has shown me through much diligence, prayer, and fasting what direction Liberty Behind Bars should be moving towards. In addition to working with individuals in local jails and prisons (Monroe county and surrounding NY counties), the Lord has shown me the need to expand in holding evangelistic meetings within jails/prisons throughout the U.S. The Lord has confirmed the need to work with churches who either have jail ministries or to establish a jail ministry to work with the individuals in their local jails/prisons. There is such a need for churches to disciple individuals once they are released! A jail ministry should not be focused with just working with individuals while they are in jails/prisons, but also to work with them once they come home. My prayer is that some local churches would partner with me in establishing this extension of the ministry, in which I can train the pastors/deacons to safely acclimate these individuals into their church and disciple them in becoming what most judges say, "productive members of society" and to live a productive Christian life!

Although there were many restrictions in traveling, the Lord made it possible for us to go on a trip to visit a few churches and present the ministry. We were also able to make good contacts and relationships with the hopes that we can make a trip back!

I also have had several opportunities to present the ministry here in NY and PA and am praying that the Lord open more doors locally to present.

I have been asked to speak/preach at a local prison revival this October. Please pray that the doors would stay open and that the Lord would move during the services!

The Monroe County Jail (MCJ) continues to allow me in to preach the Word to my friends! Praise the Lord for this continued opportunity.

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Special Thanks...

Ministry Needs

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Please keep the men and women in the MCJ and all other jails/prisons across the U.S. in prayer.

It has only been recently that the jails/prisons have slowly reopened visitation for family members. Many of the individuals that I work with have not had a visitor and have lived in isolation for close to 6 months. Depression, loneliness, and hopelessness have increased dramatically. Please pray that the doors continue to stay open in which I can work with these individuals and give them the Gospel and hope in Jesus Christ.



We are pleased to find some online bible distributors to give decent prices on KJV bibles. Our prayer is to overflow jails and prisons with them! We thank all of you that support LBB so we can continue to provide the true Word of God to these individuals! Praise the Lord as we have sent out hundreds of bibles (close to 600) since we started!



As for my family and I...

In our last letter we asked for prayer that the Lord would make it possible for our children to be home-schooled. We want to praise the Lord that we were able to pull them from the public school setting and they are doing their schooling with a KJV online school. Our children love being home and feel they are becoming more independent and more responsible for their learning. Please continue to pray for this transition and that the Lord will bless this decision!

*Praise
the Lord*

This past May I was able to have the surgery to replace the stimulator. Unfortunately, it continues to not work like we all had prayed for. *2 Corinthians 12:9 And he said unto me, My grace is sufficient for thee: for my strength is made perfect in weakness. Most gladly therefore will I rather glory in my infirmities, that the power of Christ may rest upon me.* Please continue to pray as living with chronic pain, as many as you know, can be debilitating at times.

Continue to pray for God's intervention in this ministry... the Lord needs to show up in the jails and lives of these men and women! These people do not need another "religious worker!" Jesus Christ is the only one who can make a difference in ANY person's life!



A Special Thanks to....

- The Sheriff, Under-sheriff, Superintendent, and Chaplin at the Monroe County Jail for allowing me to minister to the individuals in their facility
- Those volunteers that help stuff and mail devotionals and help with bible distribution
- For those churches and individuals who continue to support LBB on a monthly basis through financial support, materials (stamps), and prayers!

PRAYER REQUESTS

- * Opportunity to present the ministry to churches locally and nationwide
- * Opportunity to have revival meetings in jails and prisons locally and nationwide
- * Churches to partner with LBB to work with newly released individuals
- * "A Place of Refuge" (Isaiah 4:6) - a transition home
- * Monthly Financial Support
- * Salvation of both the men/women we work with and the Deputies

SPECIFIC MINISTRY NEEDS

- postal stamps
- 9 x 12 manila envelopes (w/out clasp)
- regular legal size envelopes
- printing paper
- shipping cost for bibles
- printer/copier ink