

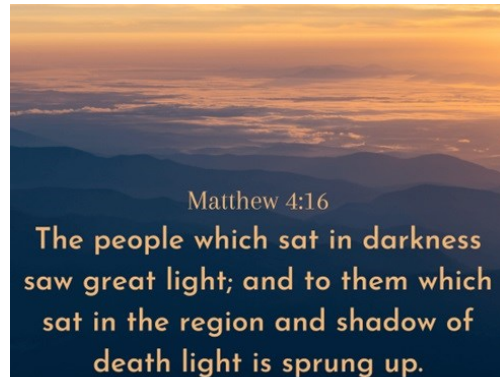
Alaska Correctional Ministries

To Set the Captives Free

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normal.” With a total loss of freedom; large cinder blocks all around; everyone in yellow clothes; lights that never go off and the constant almost 24/7 incessant noise.

You are finally faced with a tough choice; **Pick up the pieces of your life and seek the Lord** or give up and sink into bitterness, anger, and resentment ... turning to a deeper level of dysfunction, evil and sin. **PB&TV**

“The people who sat in darkness have seen a great light, And upon those who sat in the region and shadow of death Light has dawned.”
Matt. 4:16 NKJV

Life Inside Jail

Walking into jail for the first time is a complete shock! There is a period of disbelief; fear and absolute need to get out.

Fear starts to overwhelm every thought as the realization comes that you aren't getting out anytime soon. So, a grieving process begins, for life as you once knew it is over and your unknown “real life” begins.

You have no choice but to adapt and face your “new

Blessings!

So much has transpired these past few months and it is a great blessing to share all that God has done!

1. Thrifter's Rock



Once again **we are extremely grateful**, more than words can express, **for the generous gifting and support from** the wonderful people of the **Thrifter's Rock in the Palmer-Wasilla area.**

2. ACC TLC Graduation

We were absolutely blown away with the Program Graduation of five men at our May ACC TLC Graduation. So very proud of the outstanding work and growth of Chris, Joey, Kirk, Miguel and Gilbert! **Without a doubt we will be sad to see you all leave to your next destinations, but confident of the work God has done in each of you. Congratulations men of God!!!**



3. Lt. Governor & DOC Commissioner

A huge Shout Out with Immense gratefulness to Alaska's Lt. Governor Dahlstrom, DOC Commissioner Winkelman and

Deputy Director Woods for gracing us with your Awesome Presence at our graduation!!! Your professionalism, commitment, grace and obvious genuine care was a powerful inspiration to us all!!

4. Mayor Bronson



What a tremendous shot in the arm having Mayor Dave Bronson and Junior Aumavae visit the ACC TLC Program. We were strongly encouraged by both your testimonies, wise political perspectives, and genuineness. We especially were grateful for the humility you displayed in allowing us to have a Q&A with the Mayor!



5. TBN 2nd Chance

The week of June 3rd **ACC TLC was graced with the ministerial team of TBN 2nd Chance.** Our men were **hugely challenged and immensely blest in the Lord by this rich ministry.** TBN 2nd Chance continues their tour of most of the Correctional Institutions in Alaska.



Announcements:

ACM Annual Fundraiser: Scheduled for the last Saturday in September (9-28-2024).

We are planning a volunteer meeting at the end of June to organize and present needs and solicit help for this fund drive. ACM Office Manager, Karen, will be contacting those who previously gave their names. If you, too, are interested in helping this year, please **CALL HER at 907-339-0432** We sincerely need your help. You can also Email Karen at **info@ACM180.com** or leave a message through the Contact Us page on our website at **www.godinprison.com**.

ACM Chaplains:

ACM's Executive Director is willing to travel to your location to promote ACM Ministry and raise funds for your Institution at no cost to you. We just need you to contact churches and ministries so the Executive Director can present this ministry and your needs.

Upon making arrangements with 3 or 4 venues **he will fly or drive to your location, paying all his own expenses to raise awareness and funds for your local ministry.**

For more info contact **Karen at 907-339-0432** .

Beyond Walls:

Yes ACM has joined MCC and their Recovery Alaska Program in ministering, sharing, and helping those related to or are close friends and family of those incarcerated.

Beyond Walls provides advice via:

1. **Related Professionals:** Probation Officers, Mental Health, Attorneys, Bail Bondsman, Former Correctional Officers, Institutional Medical Staff, Institutional Chaplains and Current and Former Program Directors within DOC. **(Everything you want to know about when your loved one faces charges, is incarcerated, living inside and much more).**
2. **Experienced and Knowledgeable Persons:** Past and Current Relatives and Friends, and Former Inmates (Male and Female).
3. **Personal Ministry for you:** Pastoral Care, Christian Counseling, Spiritual-Emotional and Mental Support; Accountability and an Experienced Friend who has been there and Genuinely understands.
4. **Benevolence:** Christian Resources and Anchorage Community Resources that may assist related families meet their current short-term needs. ie: rent, groceries, clothing, supplies, utilities, experienced counsel, advice, care.

Beyond Walls meets every Thursday Evening 7pm at 6505 DeBarr Road, Anchorage, Alaska.

Contact ACM Office Manager Karen at 907-339-0432 for more information.



Real Testimony:

I was born and raised in North Miami of South Florida. It was a big city and I grew up in the fast life during the pill epidemic. I was hooked on Xanax by 14, became a felon at 15, entered the street life at 16 and never looked back.

After doing time in the Ohio penitentiary I moved to Alaska to get away from all the trouble. What a joke! Before long I was serving 8 years for armed robbery.

I felt as if my life would never change and I wanted to give up and end it all. **While in prison I heard about the TLC Program. Through this program, the help of the chaplains and other godly inmates, God caused me to grow in relationship with Him.**

I now have a beautiful walk with Christ! It's so very true "God saved my life, turned me into a handsome man of God and gave me unwavering hope!

KF Tats and all 😊

Moving Forward:

What happens to believers who are released? Or those who are transferred to other institutions? Do we ever hear from them? Glad you asked! 😊

⇒ **Oly, TLC Grad, has been out a couple of years, fully employed, faithful in church ministry as well as a huge supporter of ACM**, helps with ACM ministry, functions and meetings. **Great Brother!** Lives in the valley.

⇒ **Clarence, TLC Grad, lived at the Horizon House for about 2 years, fully employed, paid cash for his car, faithful in church, working with the Recovery Ministry**, moved to his own apartment, maintains strong accountability and recently met a lovely Christian lady. **Proud of you Bro!**

⇒ **Marie, TLC & Hope House Grad, works for Henning Inc. (serving the homelessness of Anchorage), faithfully attends church, stays in touch with her TLC Mentor and Chaplain Eileen.**

⇒ **Chanel was baptized at HMCC by her mentor Rosalind, was released and faithfully attends church and has remained in contact with her mentor. Pray God's richest blessing for you!!!**

⇒ **Kevin, TLC Grad, transferred from Anchorage Jail to Federal Institution two years ago.** ACM Executive Director has visited him twice and was **greatly encouraged to find Kevin filled with faith, continuing his Christian College Courses and living for God.** He looks forward to ministry in Christ upon his release in a few years. **Please pray for him and his precious family. Love you Kevin, guys say hi**



So many more TLC Grads who have either been released or transferred to other institutions. I will include more in the next newsletter.

Inmates Prayer:

In Jesus Name sin has no dominion over me. I cast it away by the supernatural power of the **Lord!** **Through Jesus my spirit and soul are remade and You have removed all my sin as far as the east is from the west.** Therefore, I stand righteous in **Your** sight. My faith in **You** is absolute, my pursuit of **You** never subsides. **Let my path be true, my heart be pure, my resolve unbroken and each and every step be sure.** **Let Your work and will be done through me.** May the enemy fear **Your** hand upon me. May all his evil be undone. As the **Lord** will punish all the wicked for their sin and **He** will purge every bondage from within. **Heavenly Father** hear my prayer. **Know that I adore You and so let your light brighten my darkest night.** **Lord give me the day anew.** MK

Prayers & Needs:

1. DOC Staff Member, Chris L., fell from a great height and totally injured his whole one side of his body. He is resting well at his home but will need follow up medical assistance. Chris has been an amazing DOC Employee for 35 years, super sharp and an avid supporter of the ACC TLC Faith Program. It's a miracle is has survived. Please pray for Chris and his family. Thinking of you Chris!
2. For all DOC Staff from the top to the newest staff member. The DOC arena can be a very dangerous profession as well as it is always wrought with difficulties and numerous negativities. They do an amazing job and many have been huge supporters of ACM. Please pray for them!
3. All Chaplains, Ministries and Religious Volunteers who faithfully give in all our 13 institutions here in Alaska. God has so richly blest and it is directly due to our faithful ministers!



From the Director:

What a great joy to serve the Lord inside. Please know we could not do any of this without your prayerful and financial support. The inside fruit is not just ours its yours as well. Thank you for your faithfulness!

May God Bless You Abundantly!

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