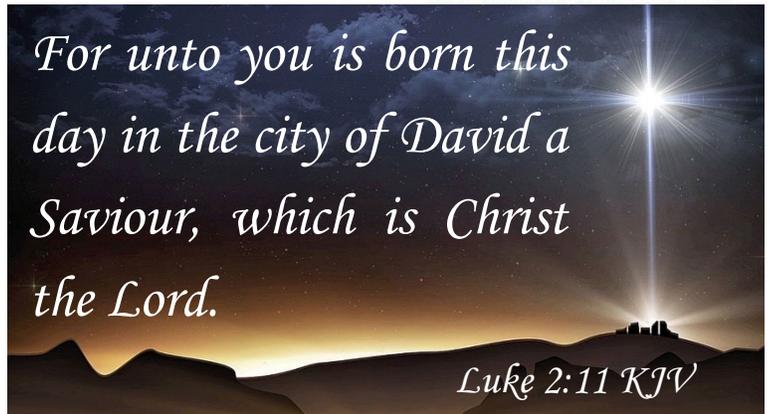




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## Institutions Opening:

All Correctional Institutions are open, for the most part:

To date most of the institutions are open and operating as close to full operation as before COVID struck. For the current conditions please feel free to contact your institutional operator or chaplain. All chaplaincy departments are moving to get all services, classes and programming back to regular sessions and times. If you are a former presenter and would like to resume ministry please contact your institutional chaplain.

**A world without hope, saw a great light and it ushered in hope, love, joy, and peace as only God can.**



If you are new and want to enter into prison ministry; contact your institutional chaplain and share what you do, go to our website, download the application, email it to the DOC Chaplaincy Office and attend the next DOC Chaplaincy Religious Volunteer Orientation.

## DOC Religious Volunteer Orientation:

- ⇒ Tuesday, January 10, 2023
- ⇒ 6:30—8:30 PM in the VIP Room
- ⇒ Anchorage Baptist Temple  
6401 E. Northern Lights Blvd.  
Anchorage, Alaska 99508



Ketchikan Correctional Center



## Chaplaincy:

Please pray for chaplains. Most of the institutions need chaplains. If you have ministry experience, strong biblical knowledge, passion for those inside; call the DOC Chaplaincy Office and speak with Stephanie at 907-269-7414.

Or call the ACM office at 907-339-0432 and ask to speak with Chaplain Rudy.

Also please remember to pray for the chaplains who are currently faithful each and every day at all the institutions in Alaska.



Chaplain Jim Duncan, Pastor Tony Smith, Chaplain Greg Joyce and Chaplain Rudy Bosley

## Christmas Gifts, Supplies, Cards and Food Items:

Many have asked how they can give to prisoners and those in our reentry homes.

First, Corrections doesn't allow gifts, presents or food items to inmates from the public or family. The only ways to give is through a ministry like ours and to groups of people at a time.

Ministries and organizations cannot take your gift and give it to a specific inmate. ACM has, or supports, ministries inside. With the monies donated specifically for an institution or program we arrange, if possible, group giving, or functions as allowed by the DOC.

Also we have two transitional homes and many like to give gifts, clothes and food items during this season.

On a bit larger scale our transitional homes could use some small freezers, couple refrigerators, new vacuum cleaners, and very good operating computers during this time.

Thank you for your heart and desire to reach out to these men and women!

## ACM Visits Churches:

In case you are not aware, ACM visits churches, church groups, and organizations to share about our mission as well as numerous rich and amazing testimonies of God's work behind bars.

We'd count it a rich blessing and honor to visit your venue and share of the passion God has given us with you and your people.

Simply call our office and we will set times and dates and look forward to coming to your location to share. We will cover all costs and simply request an offering when we come.

ACM desires to share our mission and share about your local institutions, chaplains and their programs. It takes all of us to facilitate the purpose of God, not only statewide but locally, where you live.



## TLC Programs:

The TLC Programs are flourishing at Hiland and ACC.

I wish I could share how powerfully God is moving in our TLC 24/7 Faith-Based Therapeutic Programs!

It has been totally amazing and miraculous! So many have come to Christ, influenced, astounded and amazed! God is doing miracles and raising up powerful men and women in these programs. They not only have fantastic testimonies but have longer-term sobriety and deliverance.

We have many, many former TLC graduates who've left prison to become not only stable members of society but leaders, movers and shakers.

Please keep these ministries in prayer as well as all the Chaplaincy Programs at each and every institution. God is moving and doing a great work in spite of the after-effects of COVID.

We so appreciate all the chaplains and volunteers that give selflessly to all the ministries behind bars.



## Prayer:

**Prayer!** I can't share enough how important prayer is to this ministry. May I reach out to all you prayer warriors and intercessors. I would count it an honor if you would please:

1. Put ACM on your daily prayer list.
2. Make a commitment to God to pray for this ministry faithfully for a certain amount of time. i.e. Weeks, Months, A year.
3. Email us and let us know you have made this commitment.

I, as the Director, will make a commitment to pray with you and for you.

We so want to be in His perfect will in this ministry. As you can imagine, the enemy fights at every turn.

**We need your ministry of prayer.**





## From the Director:

Lastly,

**Christmas**, The best time of the year; Christmas Lights, Festivities, Church Pageants, Christmas Carols and best of all; the Reason for the Season – the Birth of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ! Such a beautiful time of year in so many ways. We are so richly blest here in Alaska!

But (don't you hate "buts"?), in our Correctional Facilities it is not exactly so. The darkness of everything associated with being incarcerated is exacerbated during the holidays. Cases take on more of a hopelessness, separation from society and family becomes more dismal, little if any decorations, music, laughter. Few if any festivities, church services, gifts or the awesome Christmas foods and desserts. Inside crime increases, depression rises, sadness prevails leading possibly to contemplation of suicide.

**You are so very vital and key to ministering and changing the above.** Your prayer support, inside participation, i.e., teaching, preaching, singing, visiting, participating in MentorNet and, of course, your financial giving all contributes to changing the hearts, minds and attitudes of the men and women inside. Believe me, **you really do make a difference!!**

To all you long term supporters, in all the ways you have faithfully supported ACM; I'm so very grateful beyond words. I'm extremely passionate about our mission. My heart aches for all the pain, hurt, hopelessness and sorrow I see every day. But (good "but" this time), I am fully persuaded of His wonderful hope He has for each and every man and woman inside bars:

- ◇ To heal the brokenhearted
- ◇ To set the captives free
- ◇ To set at liberty them that are bruised
- ◇ To preach the favorable year of the Lord

**Merry Christmas** to each of you and **Thank You So Very Much,**

*Rudy Bosley*

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