

Pastors to Prisoners Newsletter

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Matt 25:37-40

37 "Then the righteous will answer him, 'Lord, when did we see you hungry and feed you, or thirsty and give you something to drink? 38 When did we see you a stranger and invite you in, or needing clothes and clothe you? 39 When did we see you sick or in prison and go to visit you?' 40 "The King will reply, 'I tell you the truth, whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers of mine, you did for me.' NIV

News from CCI Tehachapi State Prison

Greetings in Jesus' name!

As you all may know by this time, all the State Prisons are closed for visitors including religious volunteers. The California Correctional Institution (CCI) is not an exception, and all administrative staff has been sent home for 15 days as of March 17, 2020. Only Correctional Officers remain working.

I have been in constant contact with Chaplain Joseph Park, Protestant Chaplain at CCI, and he shared that he has been doing cell-front ministry during this month. He asks for your prayers for the inmates and for their families. He is also asking that if you have any books in Spanish that you would like to donate to the prison, please contact me and I can make arrangements to pick them up. The inmates are also asking for Spanish Study Bibles PLENITUD soft cover. If you would like to donate some books or Study Bibles in Spanish, please let me know.

I ask for your prayers that the COVID-19 does not get to the prisons because that would be a very big problem.



Inmates Corner

I heard in the news that there are some prison inmates that do not have soap to wash their hands or toilet paper because the prisons are having a shortage of supplies. Also, some prisoners with minor offenses are being released.

The truth is that if the COVID-19 virus hits the prisons, there are not enough testing kits or ventilators in the hospitals to provide for them, and that puts them at risk of dying.

Chaplain Park says that the inmates were calm last week, but as the news get worse, they are starting to get anxious and worrying about their families.

Please join me in praying for all the prisoners that are locked up in all the prisons of the world. Thank you!

Matthew 25:36

"I was in prison and you came to visit me."



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Elena's Corner

Thank you very much for your financial support and for your prayers through the Pastors to Prisoners Organization.

This is a time of reflection and prayer on how fragile our lives are as we confront a COVID-19 pandemic. I have been staying at home praying, reading, cleaning house and listening to my Pastor's messages through the internet.

On March 23 I came out with a staph infection on my right foot and went to ER, where the doctor said it was probably an allergy and gave me no meds. As it got worse, I went to Urgent Care where the doctor there said it was a staph infection. I was given antibiotics and I am feeling much better now, thank God.

When I think of the isolation that we all have been forced to do, I meditate on how hard it must be for the inmates to be on lockdown for long periods of times, especially now with the COVID-19. I pray that God will strengthen them as they go through this process and that God will take away all fear and anxiety that they may be experiencing.

As always and especially now that I have some free time, I would like to offer my prayers for you and your family. If you are experiencing fear, anxiety or have a special situation in your family that you would like me to pray for, please let me know. I will be happy to pray for or with you.

The Pastors to Prisoners Organization has asked us to send you a brief quarterly report since our activity in the prisons is limited for now. This will be my first quarterly report and if you have any questions, please feel free to call me at: (661) 425-3363 or email me at: elenahernandezp2p@gmail.com

