

Stories of Changed Lives for the Glory of God!

A good friend and member of Bethesda Church, Joel Holloway, asked me for our PMA introductory Bible lesson and he sent it to Chris Sherman several years ago. Chris did that PMA Bible lesson and trusted in Christ while in prison. He is out now. I was able to visit with him and got my haircut the day before we left for Australia, March 28.

Here is a photo of us in front of the barber shop he works at in Savage, MN. **Please pray for Chris Sherman** as we can follow up with him now.



Pastor Dwight and Chris

Praise God how the Lord Jesus Christ is making an eternal difference in his life!

Since 1955, Prison Mission Association (PMA) has focused on **“Reaching Prisoners for Christ”** by providing Bible correspondence courses to over 40,000 inmates in all fifty states and 28 countries overseas: working to plant self-sustaining church communities in prisons. Students may earn free college-level credits with Berean Bible Institute (BBI), West Bend, Wisconsin.

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April 2023 Prayer Update

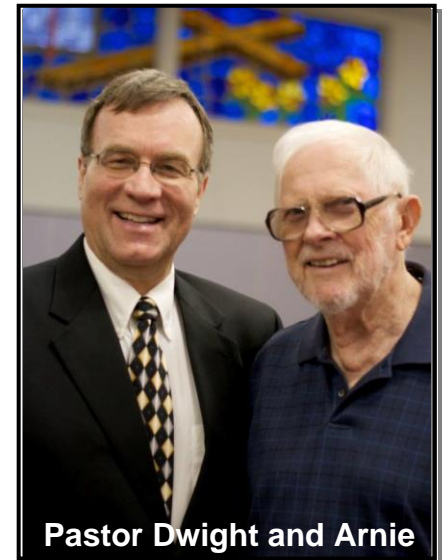
Praise Points

We praise God for the godly example and service of our dear friend, Arnie Selfors who left this earth to his permanent home in heaven March 28. We are confident that he is in the presence of His Savior and Lord Jesus Christ.

This is the guy that was swimming every day 3 weeks ago and correcting Spanish Prison Mission Assn. lessons!

Arnie holds a special place in Pastor Dwight’s heart as Arnie served in Bolivia with Dwight’s parents, Warren and Dorene Anderson, with Bethesda Mission, when Dwight was a young boy! We love Arnie dearly and we thank God for him!

Arnie was always an encouragement and inspiration to Dwight as he served the Lord with all his heart and shared the gospel with others overseas and here at home. We appreciate so much the many years of ministry with Prison Mission Association once he and his wife, Sally, came back from the mission field.



Pastor Dwight and Arnie



This month the seed to focus on is "Appreciation" - Grateful Recognition of Value. "We always thank God

for all of you and continually mention you in our prayers." –

1 Thess. 1:12. **We appreciate each of you** – our prayer partners and financial partners who make this ministry possible! Discover more resources on the seed of Appreciation, at our website. You will also find free downloadable tools you can use in Bible studies, and discussions. **Thank you for your prayers and support so that we can continue to** equip and encourage leaders, that multiply the impact of the 12 Seeds! Gifts marked "12 Seeds" go to our 12 Seeds book fund for printing more books.

Praise God for the Prison outreach at Stillwater MN State Prison, March 2, where we had 147 people take our introductory Bible lesson. Some were inmates and some correctional officers. We gave out several boxes of Bibles and several boxes of 12 seeds books. Praise the Lord, we will be able to go into many more prisons this year!



The Lord touched the hearts of two members of Bethesda Church who offered to pay our airfare to visit Darlene's Father, Reg Beckett in Australia who does not have long to live. We did not think there would be any way we could do it, but God provided and answered prayer in this amazing way so we have been able to get to Australia! Reg rallied with all his family visiting him this week. His dying wish was that all his children and grandchildren would come to visit him. Many of them have

all come to see him now. He celebrated his 86th Birthday, April 4 with many of us there in the hospital! **He prayed a wonderful prayer for all his family. He has been a great example to me and all of us of a man of great faith who walks with God!** Pray for the family to grow closer to each other at this time and closer to the Lord! We fly back on Sat. April 8, in time for our Easter service at Bethesda Church, Prior Lake, MN.

Prayer Points

Continue to pray for more open doors in churches and places we have never been before. **We would be happy to do a Zoom call with any church** or Bible study group who are interested.

We are **praying for a Spanish Coordinator** to help train a team to correct lessons so we can expand this area of our ministry.

Keep praying for **more local churches to start a local Bible Correspondence Fellowship (BCF)** so they can reach out to their local jails and prisons. **We now have 55 BCFs** including 28 overseas countries! Each BCF prints, distributes, and corrects lessons to mentor inmates so they can reach more inmates for Christ! **We can help you start a BCF to reach out near you.**

Here are some upcoming events for Pastor Dwight to pray for:

- April 18, 2023** MCF-Red Wing, MN Correctional
- April 21,** 12 noon central time PMA board meeting
- April 23,** Friendship Congregational Church, Friendship, WI
- May 3, 2023** MCF-St. Cloud, MN Correctional
- May 6 - 10 am** Bethel's Rock, Apple Valley, MN
- May 19-20, CMCA Summit @ Wheaton College,** Illinois
- June 3 - 10 am** Remanente Escogido Por Gracia, St. Paul, MN
- June 7,** MCF-Faribault , MN Correctional
- June 11, 9 am & 10:30 am** Grace Bible Church, Anaheim, CA
- June 30 – 7 pm** Celebration Church, Lakeville, MN
- August 8,** MCF-Shakopee, MN Correctional
- September 19,** MCF-Moose Lake, MN Correctional
- October 3,** MCF-Willow River, MN Correctional
- October 12,** MCF-Rush City, MN Correctional
- November 14,** MCF-Lino Lakes, MN Correctional