

## Stories of Changed Lives for the Glory of God!

"The PMA Bible lesson was very enjoyable and I gained greater understanding and knowledge. I trusted in Christ as my Lord and savior on April 23, 2023. I look forward to receiving the next lesson. Thank you so much for your time and devotion. May God bless you at Prison Mission Association." - **Harvey S. @ Galveston County Jail, TX.**

"Thank you for the 12 Seeds books! They were a big hit on Tuesday, July 18th. 120 women picked up a copy here at Shakopee Women's Prison!"

— **Pamela R., Correctional staff @ Shakopee Prison, MN**



**Pam Kriesel-Koll**

Pam Kriesel-Koll is a member of Grace United Methodist in Fergus Falls, MN. Pam recently led a group of women in her church in a series of classes studying our book, 12 Seeds Growing in Love. *"The book study went really well. Everyone was engaged and sharing,"* - Pam Kriesel-Koll, Fergus Falls, MN

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**PMA Prayer and Praise Updates – God's work behind bars!**

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## August 2023 Prayer Update

### Praise Points

## 12 Seeds Partnership in Malawi



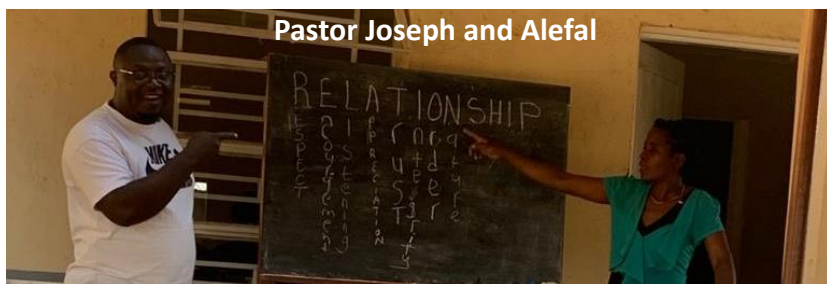
**Pastors: Bitton, Joseph, and Timothy.**

**We praise God for Ministry Partners who distribute and use our 12 Seeds books. This month is the ministry in Malawi! Here is email update from Pastor Joseph Asong (named after our PMA founder, Joe Mason).**

"Greetings from Lilongwe. I just wanted to share with you my joy over visiting my dear Brothers: Pastor Timothy and Pastor Bitton earlier this week in Bangula. I was in the area running a Bible School module and thought it wise to meet them for the first time. It was such a blessing to see the great work the LORD is doing through them. I was also glad to see first-hand the progress being made with the translation of the 12

**Seeds Book in Chichewa by Pastors Timothy and Bitton.** My brothers treated me with very warm hospitality. I look forward to working with them in other ways in the future.

I am also glad to let you know that for the past several months I have **taught our English Bible School class here in Lilongwe the 12 Seeds Book.** It was so well received. Currently, I am teaching it to about 28 women who are being trained by Emmanuela in Entrepreneurship etc. I use an interpreter because many of them do not understand English. Thankfully, the lady interpreting is one of my English students who just took the class herself. In fact, when I am away next week for our annual Pastor's Conference, Alefa will teach the ladies in my absence. These ladies really enjoy the lessons."



GRACE and PEACE!

Joseph Asong – Malawi. <https://gracem.org/malawi/>



**This month the seed to focus on is: "Nurture" - Care & Feeding, Loving Support. "Love never fails." - 1 Corinthians**

13:8a. How can we share the gift of Nurture? "As we grow in our relationship with our great God, we come to experience more and more of His wondrous nurturing nature. As we focus on Him and His ways, we become more and more like Him. We have come to understand that everyone needs help, that we all need care. We learn to focus more on the needs of others, and we learn to share His gifts with others. This care can include training via gentle, respectful suggestions or in sharing of what you learned that could help another person." – from 12 Seeds.

**Thank you for your prayers and support so that we can continue to equip and encourage leaders, which multiply the impact of the 12**

Seeds! Gifts marked **"12 Seeds"** go to our 12 Seeds book fund for printing more books. We hope to have the Spanish book released soon!

### **Prayer Points**

**Please pray for the local corrections settings near YOU!** With covid and the unrest, staff at the jail are under a lot of pressure and often work understaffed and in challenging situations. Praying for inmates, their families and those reentering into the community is huge but very important.

Pray for more volunteers that can work from home to help us correct lessons from inmates.

**Pray that the right volunteers will come forward** and work through the challenges involved in volunteering and that jail staff will allow and welcome them. The political climate in each facility affects everything and prayer is of the utmost importance. We pray that we are diligent to the very end, so that what we hope for may be fully realized. ... and that we imitate those who through faith and patience inherit what has been promised.

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 Pastor Dwight's upcoming events to pray for:**

**August 8**, MCF-Shakopee, MN Correctional  
**September 1-4**, Timber Bay Camp, Onamia, MN  
**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  
**February 19-23, 2024**, Grace Gospel Fellowship Pastors Conference, Grace Bible Church, Phoenix, AZ