Here are upcoming events to pray for:

December 2, 10 am Ebenezer Christian Church. 2510 Chaska Blvd. Chaska MN 55318

Feb. 18, 10:30 am West Valley Grace Fellowship, Sun City West, AZ February 19-23, 2024, Grace Gospel Fellowship **Pastors Conference,**Grace Bible Church, Phoenix, AZ

May 17-18, 2024, THE CMCA 2024 CORRECTIONAL MINISTRIES SUMMIT, Wheaton College, Wheaton, IL

Oct.23-25, 2024 Minnesota Correctional Association Conference, Mankato, MN

Stories of Changed Lives for the Glory of God!

"This study lesson has been 'spot on' (best) direction of the Christian faith. Thank you! I am very interested to see what directions you folks take me next. This lesson has asked me to open the Lord's Word and comprehend what it says. I hope and trust your next lessons do the same... open the book and read the truth. At this time this is my first recommendation to study by mail Bible study program.

God's! Speed" – **Douglas in Illinois**

"Thank you for these Bible studies. They help me to come closer to Christ and keep me focused in my times of loneliness, struggles and hardship. This is a blessing and thank you for taking your time so I can continue bettering my path, my future, my attitude, my life and my love for God." - Jonathan in TX

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.

PMA. PO Box 2300, Port Orchard, WA 98366



December 2023 Prayer Update

Praise Points



We praise God for the expanding Outreach in Zambia.

In October, we gave Grace Ministries International, some boxes of 12 Seeds books and workbooks for Zambia. Here is an update from Joseph Asong: "We continue to be busy here in Malawi. I just came back from a ten-day trip to Zambia where I was the Guest Speaker during the National Pastors' conference for the Grace Church in Zambia. We had a really blessed time. One of the things I did during the conference was to introduce the 12 Seeds book to them as a great ministry tool. It was well received. There were about 29 leaders in attendance.



While in Zambia, I visited a Community Development organization in Lusaka called CAKE MARKET. They train women in all kinds of baking skills and help them become economically viable.

Hundreds of women go through this organization every single month.

The owner of the organization is very interested in us partnering with him so that we can help instruct these women in spiritual matters. I am in conversation with the leadership of the Grace Church in Zambia to see how we can use the 12 seeds book as a ministry tool for these women. This is a great ministry opportunity, and I am so excited to see what the LORD will make of it. We will appreciate your prayers.

The leaders in Zambia asked me to thank you for the materials you sent. We appreciate your partnership dearly." **Joseph Asong, Grace Ministries International**, <u>www.gracem.org</u>

Praise the Lord for the open door to bring PMA Lessons and Bibles to Lino Lakes, MN Correctional on Nov. 14. Praise the Lord!! We had about 100 men sign up to do our Bible studies so God is moving there! Pray for each one who get the Bible to study and be transformed by the gospel of the Grace of God!



This month the seed to focus on is: "Pardon": Forgiveness and Release. "Bear with each other and forgive whatever

grievances you may have against one another. Forgive as the Lord forgave you." - Colossians 3:13. Each of the 12 Seeds is an Ideal. To discover more about the seed of Pardon, check out our downloadable tools you can use in classes and discussions at www.prisonmission.org. Thank you to all who support our book fund that allows us to distribute books. We will be needing to reprint the original 12 Seeds book 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 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 60 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.

Pray for Pastor Dwight as PMA Director and Senior Pastor at Bethesda Church, for wisdom. Pray for the need to hire another pastor to serve our North Branch campus and assist at our Prior Lake campus.