### **Here are upcoming events to pray for:**

March 2, 10 am, Iglesia C.R.E.E.S, Ramsey, MN
April 6, 10 am, DHH Church, Minneapolis, MN
May 4, 10 am, Iglesia Nueva Generacion, Minneapolis, MN
May 17-18, Teaching a workshop at THE CMCA 2024 CORRECTIONAL
MINISTRIES SUMMIT, Wheaton College, Wheaton, IL
June 1, 10 am, Monte Sinai Iglesia, Minneapolis, MN
July 13, 10 am, Celebracion de Amigos Iglesia, Savage, MN
Aug. 3, 10 am, Tiempo de Alegria Iglesia, Rochester, MN
Oct. 23-25, Minnesota Correctional Assoc. Conference, Mankato, MN

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

Thank you for the very informative and helpful lessons. These are really helping me learn what I didn't when I was younger. I was never given these opportunities of encouragement when I was growing up and these lessons are really helping build my foundation in Jesus. - **Aaron in AR.** 

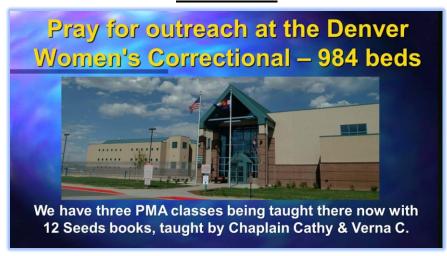
Thank you for helping me to grow as a person. These lessons are opening my heart and spirit to a better understanding of what I should live like, think like, talk like and ultimately do as a Christian. I catch myself sometimes returning to things that worked before and I'm able to remind myself that God and Jesus know me and what I do all the time, so I guess what I'm trying to say is that growing in faith as a Christian who wishes to serve God is doing something in my heart and soul that I appreciate so much. Thank you. - **Damian in CO.** 

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.



# **March 2024 Prayer Update**

### **Praise Points**



We praise God for open doors at the Denver Women's Correctional Facility (DWCF) that has been teaching Bible classes using 12 Seeds Books and Workbooks!

This past month we have been contacted by several who are using our PMA materials in the Denver Women's Correctional Facility (DWFC). The chaplain and also a volunteer who is helping inmates lead groups so we have shipped two boxes of all three of our 12 Seeds books for the classes being taught. Pray for many lives to be transformed by the Gospel of the Grace of God!



Thankful for the invitation to speak and share about PMA at West Valley Grace Fellowship in Sun City, AZ. Sun. Feb. 18. We had a very encouraging response with new prayer partners!

Praise God for Pastor Dwight being able to attend the Grace Gospel Fellowship (GGF) Pastors Conference at Grace Bible Church, Phoenix AZ Feb. 19-23. We gave out a gift pack for each church leader with some new resources we have available for local churches. It included the 11 Benefits of Prison Ministry to Grow your local Church and a new trifold, "The Two-Fold Plan of God" Bible Study. You can download them from our website.



This month the seed to focus on is: "Listening"
Seeking to Hear, Heeding.
"Everyone should be quick to

listen, slow to speak and slow to become angry." – James 1:19b. We have two ears and only one tongue in order that we may hear more and speak less.

### When Listening Grows

- People feel respected and encouraged.
- Effective communication increases.
- Learning occurs.
- Interpersonal understanding increases.
- Miscues and mistakes decrease.

- Teamwork improves
- Relationships grow from 12 Seeds Growing in Love.

Each of the 12 Seeds is an Ideal. To discover more about the seed of Listening, check out our downloadable tools you can use in classes and discussions at <a href="https://www.prisonmission.org">www.prisonmission.org</a>. 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 English book soon.

#### **Prayer Points**

Please pray for the local corrections institutions 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.

**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. Our church is focused on Prayer for 2024 so we are making sure everyone is prayed for at least once per day.