

# Prison Bulletin

## News & Prayer Letter

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### My Gratefulness



Dear Friends & Supporters,

Another Christmas has arrived. The last one was like yesterday. Still fresh in my mind. Many things have happened that compel us to thank God with a heart that is full of gratitude to God. As a team, we have been privileged to work together with God in changing and transforming lives for eternity. Time cannot tell, what we have achieved. It will take eternity and only God can fully tell us what we have achieved. It is like throwing a stone in the water which causes ripples on the surface of the water. Every time we go into the prison we are not just changing one person's life that we communicate with, we are changing their friends and families' lives as well. People we have never met will thank us when we get to heaven. They will remind us,

when you went into the prison, you ministered to my brother, sister, cousin, friends, parents, and they in turn ministered to me. Today, I am here because of you. Thank you so much for what you have done! So I would like to remind us as a team that our labour of love for God is not in vain. So let us continue to be faithful and determined, sharing the Gospel with passion, and compassion. As a leader of this Network, I count it a privilege to be working together with you, and I want to thank you for your love, care, tolerance and encouragement that you have given me. May God Bless you! I wish you a Happy Christmas and New Year in advance.

With love and care,  
- Emmanuel King



### News In Brief

A number of things has happened since our last Autumn issue. First of all we had our Annual General Meeting at the beginning of October where we elected our new committee and co-ordinators (see photos). We are thankful for all that God has done for us this year and look forward for greater opportunities to serve him in the coming year. By this time next year, we hope to have PON established in the North of England. A group of us went to a Gospel Musicians conference in Birmingham where we met a number of artists. We had our stand at the conference and a number of well known artists signed up to be part of the ministry. Most of these artists were from the North of England where we also have our assistant director, Tony Shonde, working and studying in Nottingham. Tony has visited a number of prisons in the area with his church. He is trying to establish the network there and if that is successful then churches from Birmingham and Manchester can be linked. Please pray that by this time next year we will have something established in this area.

The ministry in the South-East has grown since last year and we will be now going to fifteen prisons in the new year. HMP Guys Marsh in Dorset being the latest addition. We led a fantastic service and concert on the 3rd of December at that place and the chaplain would like us to visit the prison on a regularly basis. We must thank an inmate by the name of Yusuf for promoting the Network. Yusuf used to be at HMP Camp Hill on the Isle of Wight and was transferred to HMP Guys Marsh and

told a member of the diversity team and the Chaplain that they should invite us to come and lead their Sunday Service. Due to his persistence, a door was opened to us. Just imagine that! Inmates telling the chaplaincy when they get transferred about us and in turn more doors are opened. We thank God for using them.

We are once again looking for more churches who would like to work with us, especially those in the South-East of England and the Isle of Wight. We will now be visiting all three prisons on the Isle of Wight on a Sunday visit. This would mean a minimum of nine committed members from the mainland visiting, i.e. three members per prison. Otherwise we will not be able to keep to our promises. We are also seeking participation from the Churches on the Island to join us. We are now providing them with a brilliant opportunity to visit as these doors are open and for us to come and share the Gospel. A request to 438 Christians on the Island has been sent via the Wight Churches Newsletter this week. Please pray that a good number of Christians and Churches will be able to participate and visit the prisons with us. Another email will be sent out soon to all the churches in Kent, E&W Sussex, Hampshire, Surrey, Essex and London. Please

#### Don't Forget!

To come to our monthly fellowship meetings held on the **last Saturday** of each month. Keep these following dates in your diary:

- 27<sup>th</sup> January
- 24<sup>th</sup> February
- 31<sup>st</sup> March

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pray that through this a good number of Churches and Christian individuals will be able to join us. As more people join us, we will also need more volunteers for our administrative and co-ordinating work so please do also pray for us about this issue

Finally, if you have just picked up this newsletter and are interested in finding out more about prison ministries, then why not contact us either by email us or phone us at our address provided on the front of this newsletter. We thank you for your interest and your support for our work.

Wishing you all a Blessed Christmas and God's Blessings in the New Year ahead!

Yours in Yashua, - *Akshai S. Hannoe*

### Committee 2006 - 2007

1. Emmanuel S. King  
(Director)

2. Tony Shonde  
(Assistant Director & Treasurer)

3. Ryan A.M. Sukhram  
(General Secretary)

4. Bims Alalade  
(PON Ambassador)

5. Akshai S. Hannoe  
(Publicity Officer,  
Music & Arts Co-ordinator)

6. Sonia Hudson  
(Training Officer)

7. Esther Lambo  
(Prayer Co-ordinator)

### Prison Co-ordinators

1. Emmanuel S. King
2. Tony Shonde
3. Ryan A.M. Sukhram
4. Bims Alalade
5. Akshai S. Hannoe
6. Sonia Hudson
8. KK Arkhurst
9. Terry Campbell
10. Eve Anderson
11. Lilieth Cardoza

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Linford Dunstan  
Bamidele Bolariwra

### Assistant Prison Co-ordinators

12. Yvonne Wood
13. Faith Dixon
14. Monica Amekuedi
15. Matthew Lambert
16. Jane Ajao
17. Toyin Ajao

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Lydia Tesfay

### Council of Reference & Advisors

18. Mr. Jonathan Aitken  
(Patron)
19. Rev. Richard Higginbottom

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Rev. Roger Green  
Rev. Terrence Mann

(Please see our website for further details)



## Yes, I would like to support your work!

- I am interested in joining Prison Outreach Network, please send me further information.
- I would like you to do a prison ministry presentation at my church.
- I am willing to commit myself to praying for the work and would like to receive the 'Prison Bulletin' on a regular basis.

I would like to support the Prison Outreach Network financially and have ticked the following option:

- I am enclosing a cheque for £ \_\_\_\_\_ (payable to: 'Global Outreach Network')
- I would like to pay by 'Direct Debit' and will transfer:  £10,  £20,  £40,  £ \_\_\_\_\_ every month/other month/ other: \_\_\_\_\_ into the PON account. Please send me a 'Direct Debit' form.
- I am a UK taxpayer and am thus eligible for 'Gift Aid'. Please send me a Gift Aid form.

**Signed:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Organisation:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Address:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Postcode:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Email:** \_\_\_\_\_

Once completed, please send this form to: **P. O. Box 3753, LONDON NW2 1WL**



## Prison Prayer Points

### HMP Albany, Camp Hill & Parkhurst - Isle of Wight

We are delighted that we are able to go to all the three prisons on the Island in 2007. The one hurdle is that we need more volunteers - at least three for each prison. We wish to do all three on one Sunday including an afternoon service at Parkhurst. Please pray for more volunteers as well as participation from the Churches on the Island. An email has been sent to all the Churches there and pray that there will be interest and an encouraging response soon.

### HMP Belmarsh - London

Belmarsh is one of the most secure prisons in the UK and hence in order to visit we need to be security cleared. This can take up to 4 months to clear at times. Because of this we do not have enough 'cleared' members to take the service when we visit. Please pray that we will have at least 20 'cleared' members for the New Year. Please also continue to prayer for the chaplaincy team there.

### HMP Brixton - London

Please pray for Brixton. There has been a change of leadership. Roger Green has retired so let us pray that God's will will be done through the chaplaincy at Brixton and that all the good works that have been started will continue without any interruptions. Pray that a new chaplain will come soon and that he will be able to move the chaplaincy in the right direction. In the meantime let us also pray for unity in the chaplaincy team.

### HMP Bullwood Hall - Essex

Praise the Lord! 2006 has seen a dramatic change in Bullwood Hall. A new era has started, the girls have been moved to other prisons and Bullwood Hall is now a male prison. Since our last report, we have had three visits. Every visit has been different, but very inspiring and encouraging. The guys are still on fire for God and are fully participating, which I find uplifting. They still turn out for services in big numbers which means the chapel is always full to the brim and hence we have to either stand or sit on the floor during services. Once again let us pray that in the future we would be able to use the gym which would mean more guys will be able to attend comfortably. This is a very strong prayer point in addition to their needs. Please also pray for inmates with regards to their families during this Christmas time, pending court cases and immigration issues. We love these guys and our hearts go out to them. We believe that all things work out together for good so that God's name will be glorified (Romans 8:28). Thanks be to God!

### HMP Coldingley - Surrey

Please pray for relationship building with the chaplain there. To work alongside her and to follow what God wants us to do in that prison. Pray also for more regular visits, ideally once a month. Pray for the chaplain and the inmates.

### HMP Cookham Wood - Kent

Prayer request for more inmates to attend during our next visit Dec 31st. Let us also pray for the manifestation of the power of God.

### Dover IRC - Kent

Please continue to pray for safe a safe journey every month to Dover. Thank God also for the commitment of the team that regularly visit this place and the sowing of God's word into the detainees hearts. Please also remember the chaplain Gordon Hughes in your prayer as he will be retiring soon and going to work at HMP Canterbury. He wants us to come and visit that prison so please pray for the opportunity before us there.

### HMP Elmley - Kent

Please pray for the Prison Chaplaincy team that God will bring unity amongst them. Remember the inmates that he will overcome their depression and he will bring them perfect peace and a family in God during this Christmas time.

### HMP Guys Marsh - Dorset

Praise God for the fantastic opportunity opened to us by an inmate to come and visit this prison. We had a fabulous weekend and our service and concert went down well. We hope to be visiting this prison every six weeks also plan to do a summer Gospel outreach in the village with our parent organisation, Global Outreach Network. Please pray that we will establish good links with local churches there who would be interested in visiting. Please also pray for the continuing work of the Chaplaincy and praise God for the support of the Governor who is a Christian.

### Co-ordinators!

When you next visit the prison's, please email your prayer request and visit reports to the newsletter editor after your visit. All prayer requests will be saved immediately until the next publishing date of this Prayer letter. The next deadline is:

**24th of February 2007!!!**

"Remember those  
in prison as if you  
were their fellow  
prisoners ..."

- Hebrews 13:3



## HMP

Prison Coordinators

### **Albany**

Ryan Sukhram  
Akshai S. Hannoe

### **Belmarsh**

Tony Shonde  
Yvonne Wood

### **Brixton**

Emmanuel King  
Lydia Tesfay

### **Bullwood Hall**

KK Arkhurst  
Faith Dixon

### **Camp Hill**

Terry Campbell  
Akshai S. Hannoe  
Ryan Sukhram

### **Coldingley**

Lilieth Cardoza  
Matt Lambert

### **Cookham Wood**

Eve Anderson  
Toyin & Jane Ajao

### **Dover IRC**

Bamidele Bolarimwa

### **Elmley**

Terry Campbell  
Monica Amekuedi

### **Guys Marsh**

Emmanuel King

### **Haslar IRC**

Emmanuel King

### **High Down**

Emmanuel King  
Matt Lambert

### **Parkhurst**

Ryan Sukhram  
Akshai S. Hannoe

### **Rochester YO1**

Sonia Hudson  
Linford Dunstan

### **Swaleside**

Bims Alalade

### Haslar IRC - Hampshire

Please pray that the open door will remain open and God will continue to bless our work there.

### HMP High Down - Surrey


Pray for further opportunities to build up on contacts already established and to show them what we are capable of doing Pray for God's timing.

### HMP Swaleside - Kent

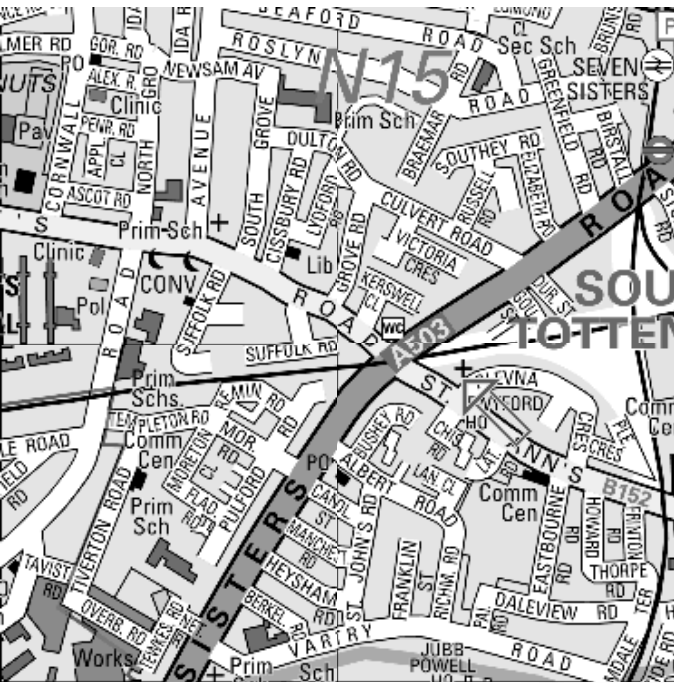
Please pray that there will be an opening to hold music workshops and a Gospel Concert in 2007 with the inmates involvement. Pray that there will be officers who will be willing to provide cover to enable us to undertake these events. Please continue to pray for the Chaplain, Julian Waite that he will be able to undertake his daily tasks in prison.

### YOI Rochester - Kent

I am thankful to God for all that he has enabled us to achieve this year at Rochester. The Chaplin, Yolande Marcussen retires in December. She has been a great support to us. There is a possibility that they will replace her with an Imam. Please pray that she is replaced by a spirit filled Christian Chaplin. The concert which we held in December was awesome. God has answered my prayer for us to become more involved with the Prison, and we have been given the opportunity to work alongside another Christian charity called 'Free On The Inside'. They require helpers for bible study which are usually held on Sunday afternoons. They also need helpers for the Friday evening Youth Group. If you would like to help with any of these activities, please get in touch with me (Sonia Hudson).



**PASSPORT 4 NEW LIFE**  
 A PON Church plant for Ex-offenders and their family.  
 Every Sunday from 6.30 - 8.30pm  
 @  
 Premier International Training, Unit 30, CITY NORTH, 111A Fonthill Road, Finsbury Park, LONDON N4 3HN  
 (Next to Finsbury Park tube station)  
 For more information, please phone **07956 196 019**



We have a monthly fellowship meeting held on the last Saturday of every month which members are urged to attend. The meetings consist of prayer for each other and the work in prison as well as fellowship with one another. If you not sure about prison ministry, but would like to hear what happens, then you are most welcome to visit us at the address below.

**The Community Church Of God (arrow),**  
 St. Ann's Road, Tottenham N15  
 Seven Sisters (nearest tube)  
 From 10.00am - 12.30pm.  
 020 8800 9119  
 (Venue may be subject to change at the last minute. Please refer to the website for up-to-date information.)

"And pray in the Spirit on all occasions with all kinds of prayers and requests. With this in mind, be alert and always keep on praying for all the saints." - Colossians 3:16

**Prison Visitation Rota from DEC. 2006 - FEB. 2007**

<u>DECEMBER</u>	<u>JANUARY</u>	<u>FEBRUARY</u>
3rd - Rochester	7th - Brixton	4th - Guys Marsh
10th - Coldingly	14th - TBA	11th - Elmley
- Belmarsh	21st - Rochester	18th - Camp Hill
- Swaleside	28th - Bullwood Hall	- Coldingly
17th - Elmley	- Dover	25th - Bullwood Hall
- Dover	- Swaleside	- Dover
24th - Camp Hill		
31st - Bullwood Hall		
- Cookham wood		


*(Provisional list)*

**Next Deadline!!!**  
 For the *Winter Issue*.

All prayer requests, notices, and news items must be handed in no later than the

**24th of February!**

Please email them to:  
[prayer@prison.go-network.org](mailto:prayer@prison.go-network.org)



"I look to Prison, and you send to see me!"  
 Matt 25:12