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Summer Issue

Prison Bulletin

News & Prayer Letter

He Will Not Forget.

Once again there is another great opportunity to let everybody know that God is doing great things with us. Opportunities are opening up everyday. There are more people interested in joining the Prison Ministry. So I do believe there is a great opportunity coming our way like never before. A new wave of new anointing to set the captives free. So I will encourage everyone to prepare themselves to be involved and experience what God is going to do with us. I am excited because I feel a new zeal within me to reach out to more people in different ways than ever before. So I am not slowing down, I am doubling up and I believe this is the work of the Holy Spirit within me. It is a refreshing time and I would encourage everyone to be sensitive to what the Holy Spirit is doing within us.

In addition, I am starting a Bible study group entitled, "Life Transforming Studies" under the umbrella of JAM - Jesus Anointed Ministries. The primary purpose of this group is to provide an avenue where ex-inmates can come and fellowship and also where we can fellowship together as a group. At the moment it will be on the first and the third Friday of every month starting in July from 7pm - 9pm at:

HBC
224-236 Walworth Road,
Elephant & Castle
London SE17.

If you are free on those Fridays, then why not join us.

In closing, I would encourage everyone to continue to pray for the team and the ministry, that God will continue to empower and strengthen us to do His will. I would like to say thank you to everyone who has contributed in different ways to make it possible to do what we are doing. Remember that God is going to reward us for every effort -



"God is not unjust; He will not forget your work and the love you have shown him as you have helped His people and continue to help them." (Hebrews 6:10)

- Emmanuel

Special Prayer Points:

- Please pray for the chaplains working in our prisons around the country. They are under great pressure and stress and do a wonderful work which is often undermined. Please pray that many more men and women will be able to join the ministry as there is an increasing shortage of them in prisons.
- We are being overstretched and we need more people to join our ministry. We are planning to visit different churches soon and we pray for a good response.
- We need people to co-ordinate our visits to prison, especially Coldingly, Rochester and Whitemoor.

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:

- **26th June**
- **31st July**
- **28th August**
- **25th September**

News in Brief

It has been great to see more people join the ministry and we have been privileged in visiting different churches to promote our work. The work is slowly growing and we need support. If you are reading this prayer letter for the first time and are not a member of PON, but would like to start supporting us in prayer, then please send us your details by filling out the form overleaf. If you are a member and would like to start supporting us financially, then do also fill in the form overleaf.



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

- Hebrews 13:3

As more people join us from different backgrounds and churches, remember that the unity and love of Christ is shown by how we behave with one another. Sharing, caring and loving each other with the Love of Christ. Also not forgetting how we approach others outside the group. Not getting entangled with our own personal issues, doctrines, political views or church customs that could cause us to lose our focus on the Gospel of Jesus Christ. As our mission statement states -

'We are affiliated to no particular church or denomination, but represent a discipleship oriented, interdenominational and cross-cultural fellowship of believers who meet regularly to pray and to worship God, support and encourage one another and to tell others of the Good News of our dear friend, Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ in relevant and practical ways.'

One of the areas we would like to focus on in the coming months is providing a support network for ex-inmates. We have already started the JAM Session Bible Studies, but will start focusing on corresponding to inmates on a one-to-one basis. We would also be contacting churches and asking them if they would be interested in receiving ex-offenders and asylum seekers who want to fellowship and be cared for by a local church. Please pray for wisdom in doing this.

Thank you to all those who sponsored us for our trip to India. Unfortunately we were not able to get the relevant visas so our trip was cancelled. It has been postponed to October and if you are interested in going, then please contact me on 0777 929 3422 or email PON. As part of Global Outreach Network (our parent organisation) we are thinking of going to the Czech Republic in August to help the Churches there. We will keep you posted on this. Also we are thinking of having a PON weekend conference for all PON members as well and we will keep you posted on that very soon.



On behalf of the team, wishing you a great summer and God Bless You in your service for Him.

Yours in Yeshua,
- Akshai

We would dearly like your support!

If you are thinking of supporting us, please fill in the form below and send it to:

P. O. Box 3753, LONDON NW2 1WL

- 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 committ myself to praying for the work on a regular basis and would like to receive the 'Prison Bulletin'.

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

I am enclosing a cheque for £ _____ (payable to: 'Prison Outreach Network')

I am establishing a 'Standing Order' with PON and will transfer: £10, £20, £40, £ _____ every month/other month/ other: _____ into the PON account using the details below.

PON Account No.: **00050005** Sort Code: **09-00-00** Roll - Ref. No.: **K3805966PRI** Abbey National Plc.

Signed: _____ **Date:** _____

Name: _____

Address: _____

Postcode: _____ **Email:** _____

Prison Prayer Points

HMP Belmarsh - London

- Emmanuel King/Tony Shonde (co-ordinators)

Please continue to pray that the door that has been opened for us will remain open. Please pray for the chaplaincy that there will be unity with the new Chaplain and the assistant chaplain.

HMP Brixton - London

- Emmanuel King (co-ordinator)

The ministry at Brixton has been very successful. Lets continue to pray for Roger Green that God will continue to strengthen him spiritually, mentally, physically and socially. We had a successful ministry on our last visit. There was a good response.

HMP Bullwood Hall - Essex

- KK Arkhurst (co-ordinator)

Our May visit was well planned, but unfortunately things did not go as expected. Almost half of the team members were new and on the Sunday morning of the visit some of us were running late. We decided to meet up at the prison. As it turned out almost everybody got lost on the motorway and by the time we got to the prison it was too late for the group to go in. I(KK) was the only one able to enter and to end the service. Fortunately the Salvation Army Chaplain was there to take the service. I apologised to the Ladies for not being on time as they were all expecting us and excited to see us. I shared briefly with them before praying for them. I then left the chapel reassuring them that we would make it up to them. Though we could not enter as a team, we did have a wonderful time of fellowship outside the prison getting to know each other and spending time encouraging one another. We all have to learn lessons from this episode. We have to be on time, we need to be familiar with directions and we have to be absolutely prepared at all time for the mission God has prepared for us.

In closing, *“God knows the future because he planned it. God is working through his providence. In the midst of everything that occurs, making sure that all things work together for His glory and for the good of those who love Him.”* (Romans 8:28).

To God be the glory!

HMP Camphill - Isle of Wight

- Terry Campbell (co-ordinator)

Once again we had a good turn out from the inmates who received the message Akshai gave on the subject of ‘What is Love?’ as well as the testimony of Bobby, one of our members. One of the inmates gave his life to Christ afterwards saying that he was tired of trying to fix his own life. Please pray for him that he will be committed in being disciplined by the Chaplain Terry Mann.

HMP Coldingley - Surrey

- Jane Butler (co-ordinator)

Our last visit was cancelled because of double booking, but lets continue to pray that our ministry will continue there and the door of opportunity will remain open. Lets pray for the new Chaplain - Tony Fowler.

Dover Detention Camp - Kent

- Kayode Oluwaremi (co-ordinator)

New faces seen at our meetings as old familiar ones have moved on. Please pray for those asylum seekers that have been deported back that they will not forget what they have heard at our meetings and will still trust in Christ. For those who have been allowed to stay in this country, that they will be able to find a good church and not forget God in their new homeland. We would like to give a list of Churches, that would like to receive these people, to the Chaplain and if your church is interested then please contact us.

Co-ordinators!

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

31st of August!!!

www.prison-go-network.org



Prison Coordinators

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Whitemoor
Jane Butler
Emmanuel King

YOI Rochester - Kent

Emmanuel King (co-ordinator).

Pray that God will continue to empower the chaplain with the work that he has called them to do. That there will be a more dedicated team for Rochester. A greater spirit of co-operation between the team and the chaplaincy.

HMP Swaleside/Elmley - Kent

- Emmanuel King (co-ordinator)

Thank God for his work there and the great response we have been having from the inmates and the appreciation from the Chaplain.

HMP Wandsworth - London

We praise the Lord that a new Chaplain has been appointed. Gordon Ashworth, our former chaplain at HMP Whitemoor has moved to Wandsworth and we hope to start visiting that prison when we get the go ahead. Please pray for his induction on the 28th of June. We hear that he is already well received.

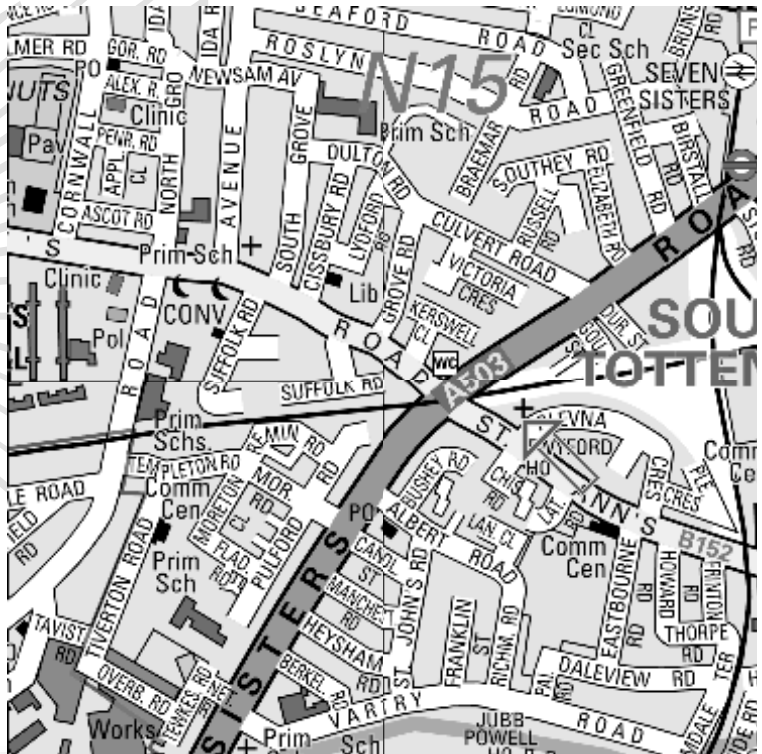
HMP Whitemoor - Cambridgeshire

- Jane Butler (co-ordinator)

At the moment we have an issue with security and thus postponed meetings there for the time being. Pray that God will break down every barrier, every obstacle in that prison and that we may have divine favour so that we can take more people. Please also pray for the chaplaincy team as Gordon Ashworth has moved to HMP Wandsworth.

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,
St. Ann's Road, Tottenham N15
Seven Sisters (nearest tube)
From 10.00am - 12.30pm.
020 8800 9119



Prison Visitation Rota from JUNE - AUGUST

JUNE	JULY	AUGUST
6th - Elmley	4th - Rochester	1st - Camphill
13th - Brixton	11th - Camphill	8th - Brixton
20th - Dover	- Coldingley	- Elmley
27th - Bullwood Hall	18th - Whitemoor	15th TBA
	25th - Bullwood Hall	22nd - Dover
	- Dover	- Rochester
	- Swaleside	29th - Bullwood Hall

Next Deadline!!!

For the Autumn Issue.

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

31st of August!

Please email them to:

ashannoe@go-network.org



**PRISON
OUTREACH
NETWORK**

"I and in Prison, and yet sound to all out!"
1st June 2011