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Seeing with the 'Eyes' of Faith



When I reflect on the past year, many things have happened beyond our expectations and desires. We have done things which we thought would not have been possible. Many years ago, it would have been unthinkable that we would have 3-4 visits on a Sunday, but by God's grace, we have managed to achieve this year. Not once, or twice, but on many occasions and so we give thanks to our heavenly Father for helping us all the way. We also thank God, for the new people that have joined the ministry over the year. Above all, we thank God for everyone who has sacrificially given their time, money, talents and energy towards the ministry. I could start listing people's names, but they know themselves and God will reward them abundantly for their labours of love because of the impact it has had on their ministry. So we thank God once again for 2007!

This coming year, 2008 has greater things in store for us. I am confident that in a spirit of unity and purpose, we will achieve so much more, God can and will surprise us. I believe we will see members of PON rising up to do great things for God within and outside the prisons. Particularly in the Churches there will be such an encouragement to the body of Christ within the

Church to rise up and do great exploits in God's name. I am expecting great things. I can see it, not physically, but with the 'eyes' of faith. I will be prophesying about it by calling those things, which are not as they are.

..as it is written, "I have made you the father of many nations"—in the presence of the God in whom he believed, who gives life to the dead and calls into existence the things that do not exist... Rom. 4:17 (ESV).

So in 2008, like God our Father who calls things that do not exist into existence, likewise, we should operate in the spirit of Faith by believing in our heart and speaking and confessing with our mouth.

Since we have the same spirit of faith according to what has been written, "I believed, and so I spoke," we also believe, and so we also speak, 2 Corinthians 4:13

In 2008 with this spirit of faith, let us declare boldly and confidently what we believe according to the will of God. I wish you all a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

With love and care,
- *Emmanuel King* (Director)



News In Brief

Dear Friends and Supporters,

This is the last newsletter for this year and a lot has happened over the past year. We have had inspiring visits over these months and hosted three major events. The first major event was in July where we had 'No Limits' a 5-member band, plus other artists perform at the Gold Hill Fair in Dorset. The chaplain at Guys Marsh prison had invited us to take part in the annual fair that is held in the village of Shaftsbury near Gold Hill, this is the hill that was made famous in the Hovis advert. 'No Limits' and the artists performed at a church on Saturday evening and at the prison on Sunday morning. Over 200 tickets issued, but unfortunately it rained heavily that weekend which meant only a handful of visitors turned up. Nevertheless, we did make an impact and we are booked for next year's event. In November Sonia also held a concert in Rochester, with award winning gospel artists, Raymond and Co in attendance alongside other guests. The concert was well received and left a uplifting presence with all those who attended. Lastly on the 8-9th of December, 18 of us went to the Isle of Wight and

participated in six services over the weekend. A concert was held at Albany prison on Saturday morning and we then did a promotional event at a local church in the evening. On Sunday, we assisted in the morning services at Parkhurst and Camp Hill prisons. In the afternoon, we held another service in Parkhurst and a concert at Camp Hill. Appreciation must go to Ryan for organising this event which meant the Gospel was presented at one of the most active weekends we have ever had and

A big thank you goes to everyone who organised and participated in all these events, especially the artists who were excellent. We hope to have more of these types of events next year as they do have a positive effect. A number of Christians on the Isle of Wight have started to be involved in the ministry; this has been a

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 January
- 23rd February
- 29th March

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positive sign, since we started publicising the ministry on the Island exactly a year ago.

We also had our Annual General Meeting at the end of September. Most of the committee members have remained the same. There have been some changes; Jane Ajao is now assisting Ryan Sukhram in the processing of applicants into the ministry, Tony Shonde has stepped down as our Treasurer, therefore we are looking for a new Treasurer. Please pray for the committee and the team that we will be able to govern the ministry effectively. 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 2007 - 2008

1. Emmanuel S. King
(Director)

2. Tony Shonde
(Assistant Director)

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

4. Bims Alalade
(PON Ambassador)

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

6. Sonia Williams
(Training Officer)

7. Esther Lambo
(Prayer Co-ordinator)

8. Jane Ajao
(Administrative Assistant)

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
15. Matthew Lambert

(no photos)

Bamidele Bolarimwa

Assistant Prison Co-ordinators

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

Council of Reference & Advisors

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

(no photo)

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: **q**£10, **q**£20, **q**£40, **q**£_____ 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

Albany and Parkhurst are new prisons, please pray that God will continue to give us grace in keeping the door open and aid us in developing a good working relationship with the Chaplains. We are thankful for the accommodation and the generous hospitality that has been afforded to us by the people on the Island. Pray that there will be sufficient accommodation as the number of people visiting the Island increases next year. We need more wisdom and discernment for co-ordinators and those helping to co-ordinate on the Island and hopefully more finance for our trip since this is our most expensive journey. Please pray for the softening of the hearts and minds of the inmates, to continue to be more dynamic and enthusiastic and be able to explain the Gospel to inmates we encounter.

HMP Belmarsh - London

Please pray specifically for the Chaplaincy team and the recently retired Chaplain and for the appointment of the new chaplain, Trevor Jaquet who is transferring from Elmley. We are thankful for his appointment. Please also continue to pray for spiritual strength for the inmates experiencing ridicule because they have professed Christ as their Saviour.

HMP Bullwood Hall - Essex

Once again we thank God for the work he is doing here. Services are going well and the guys still turn up in large numbers. Our brothers from the Apostolic Assembly led by Marios are back in full swing after a three month break. Once again they were a blessing performing a drama/sketch in conveying the Gospel at Bullwood Hall. Because of the large numbers of foreign inmates, we have to adapt the service in order to meet everyone's needs. We thank God for Yemi and Jeff who disciple the Spanish speaking inmates. As many of you know, Bullwood Hall is now a designated prison for foreign inmates. As Christmas is just around the corner, we urge you to bear our brothers in prayer as most of them will be far away from their families and loved ones. We pray that even though they are behind bars the Holy Spirit will comfort and strengthen them in these very difficult times of their life.

HMP Brixton - London

Praise God! We have a new Anglican Chaplain appointed on a permanent basis, we ask for your prayers for Rev. Phil Chadder, that he will settle down in his new job and develop good working relationships with the rest of the chaplaincy team, the prison management and with the volunteers.

Moreover, please continue to bear in prayer all the Christian programmes running in Brixton that they will grow and become more effective. Pray that good working relationship will continue with the chaplaincy.

HMP Coldingley - Surrey

We thank God that there are now lots of volunteers visiting Coldingley, but we do need more visits. We thank God that we have five visits booked for next year, but once a month would be ideal.

HMP Cookham Wood - Kent

This prison has now been turned into a YOI institute for young men. Please pray that we will continue to have open doors to this prison. Please pray for the women whom we have met before that have now been moved to new places to make way for this to change to a mens prison. Please pray that we can establish relationships with the men as we did with the women.

Dover IRC - Kent

Please pray that every effort of the agent of darkness would be thwarted and that the love and Good News of Christ will prevail. Please continue to pray for the Chaplaincy team and for the head Chaplain who is a Muslim. Thank God for the good response from the detainees.

HMP Elmley - Kent

Please continue to pray for our ministry at this prison and that we will see more inmates come to know Christ in the New Year.

HMP Guys Marsh - Dorset

We have always had the pleasure of visiting the prison and the good response we have had with the chaplain and the inmates. Each time we visit, the inmates have come to know us better and are more open to the message we preach. Please pray for continued response and growth in the knowledge of Christ amongst the inmates and opportunities to minister outside the prison as well.

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:

15th of March 2008!!!

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

- Hebrews 13:3



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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 Bolarinwa

Elmley

Terry Campbell
Monica Amekuedi

Guys Marsh

Akshai Hannoe

Holloway

Emmanuel King

Parkhurst

Ryan Sukhram
Akshai S. Hannoe

Rochester YOI

Sonia Hudson

Swaleside

Bims Alalade

HMP Holloway - London

Please pray that the door will continue to remain open.

HMP Swaleside - Kent

We praise God for the positive response from the inmates and the joy we share in their active participation in the services we conduct. Pray that they will grow stronger in their knowledge of Christ day-by-

YOI Rochester - Kent

Our final visit of the year to Rochester, in November, ended with a concert. Isaiah Raymond from

Raymond and Co. gave a testimony on how he had been released from Rochester Prison 15 years ago to the day. He encouraged the guys on what God can do with their lives no matter what they had done in the past. And that being in Rochester was good because God can start making the changes in them while they were in custody. All the guest artists who ministered that day were excellent.

Please pray for Sarah Tranter who has been running the Chapel for a year without the support of a full time Chaplain. And pray for Clem who supported the team faithfully this year. He had to return to South Africa. We look forward to another year of God's favour in helping us to making a difference in the lives of those in Rochester.



Wishing all our members and supporters:



And God's Blessings for a New Year 2008!

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 addresses below.

Premier International Training,
Unit 30 City North,
111a Fonthill Road,
Finsbury Park,
London N4 3HN
(Nearest tube: Finsbury Park)

And
'The Crusader Hall'
15b Nottingham Road
Upper Tooting
LONDON SW17 7AE
Train: Wandsworth Common
Tube: Balham or Tooting Broadway
(Northern Line)

(We will be alternating the meeting venues in the new year. 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

Upcoming Prison Visitation from January - March 2008		
<u>JANUARY</u>	<u>FEBRUARY</u>	<u>MARCH</u>
6th - Brixton	3rd - Holloway	2nd - TBA
- Coldingley	10th - Brixton	9th - Albany
13th - Albany	17th - Belmarsh	- Brixton
- Camp Hill	- Rochester	- Camp Hill
- Parkhurst	24th - Bullwood Hall	- Parkhurst
- Rochester	- Swaleside	16th - TBA
20th - TBA		23rd - Bullwood Hall
27th - Bullwood Hall		30th - Bullwood Hall
- Dover		- Dover
- Elmley		

Next Deadline!!!
For the *Spring Issue*.
All prayer requests, notices, and news items must be handed in no later than the
15th of March!
Please email them to:
prayer@prison-go-network.org

