

SPRING 2024 NEWSLETTER

**I WAS IN PRISON,
AND YOU CAME
UNTO ME.**
~ Matthew 25:36

PRISON MISSION



On April 11-14, Pennsylvania prisons gave another opportunity for Light of Hope to hold another prison crusade at 19 different prisons in Pennsylvania.

The prison crusade started with an orientation where 250 volunteers, evangelists, and singing teams that heeded the call of God gathered in one accord to get tuned up, disciplined, and prepared for our weekend mission. The afternoon rally allowed everyone to be together for a time of worship, lifting our voices in praise to the One who was worthy of our praise. The anointed presence of Jesus was evident, present, and irresistible throughout our time together, and by the end of the service, we found ourselves basking in the presence of Jesus. The spiritually wounded found healing, the oppressed were set free, and others were spiritually nourished for their mission ahead of them. Our time together was a foretaste of heaven. Hallelujah to the Lamb of God!!



Seventy-five worship services were conducted throughout the weekend. Volunteers interacted with the inmates through activities such as volleyball, basketball, soccer, and cornhole, which gave them a broader opportunity for ministry.



Overall, the Holy Spirit moved throughout the weekend; many gave their lives to Jesus Christ for the first time, and others rededicated their lives to Christ. Above all, we give God glory and praise for the great things He has done and the highest honor and privilege of being able to labor together with Him in Kingdom-building ministry.



By the time you get this newsletter, we, as a family, will most likely be on our 8-week tour. Please keep our entire family in your prayers as we minister in prisons, churches, and communities throughout the United States, Mexico, and Canada.

~ Amos Stoltzfus Founder

TESTIMONIES TO REPORT

One of the songs that the Fisher Family opened the service with was Lord, prepare me to be a sanctuary, pure and holy, tried, and true, with thanksgiving I'll be a living sanctuary for you...

The whole crusade was again filled with so many "God" moments, not only at the prison but also at orientation. As we gathered at the motel, where 40+ volunteers shared, sang, and prayed together, it was incredible. We experienced an awesome movement of the Holy Spirit throughout the weekend! To God be the glory; great things He has done!!

It is amazing to witness a church behind bars and a blessing to be a part of the work that God is doing in their lives.

One of my highlights was the small group sessions with the ladies. Hearts were broken, and tears were shed as they made themselves vulnerable. As the volunteers shared their life's struggles and their journey with the Lord, the Ladies' hearts were moved.

I do believe I can speak for the whole group. We all were drinking from the saucer because our cups had overflowed, all because of Jesus and His goodness in orchestrating our time. Our prison crusade weekend crusade will forever impact me and challenged me to rise to a new level of serving our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

~Ruthie Fisher ~ volunteer



Having Light of Hope at our institution for the prison crusade revival on April 12 through 14 was inspiring.

The revival team was an absolute blessing and an encouragement to all of us at SCI Laurel Highlands.

We are truly grateful for the volunteers who not only ministered to us, but also shared some of their personal struggles. Their testimonies of God's goodness and grace, which enable them to be strong and remain faithful, were inspiring. We appreciate their openness and its impact on our community.

I must tell you how God is using your ministry to impact His Kingdom in ways you will never see. Since you came, the Holy Spirit has been moving and working in people's lives through conversations about the revival weekend, and things are happening back in the cell blocks. Men are getting saved, being born again, and accepting Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior. Again, this is happening back on the block in the prison cells. God is using you! God is using you!!

Thank you for your sacrifice and obedience to God's call to visit the least of these in prison.

~ Inmate

The Light of Hope weekend revival was not only a huge success with a large inmate response and smooth security operations but was very impactful. A couple men came forward to thank me specifically for bringing the program into the facility and hoped that I could bring them more often. Staff who were directly involved in overseeing the event equally have very good things to say about the ministrations by the Light of Hope volunteers. Personally, I think that Light of Hope is a great blessing to prison ministry in the DOC."

~ Rev. Samuel C. Anyanwu - SCI Camphill



The weekend at Coal Township was amazing!

I enjoyed working with the Chaplains and John Lee. The Chaplains were accommodating and made us feel right at home and I appreciated John Lee's sensitivity to what the Lord wanted to do in each service. The Lord did a wonderful work in the hearts of the men that responded, including a few first-time salvations.

The church is alive and doing well, so having that foundation to build on was wonderful. The singing team was amazing, they really put their heart into it and the inmates enjoyed their singing. John Esch wrote a beautiful song for the prisoners and the singing team sang it to them.

All the volunteers shared a short testimony at one point and was a blessing and encouragement to the inmates. I enjoyed the whole team; it was a blessing and an honor to be a part of it!

~ Levi Smucker ~ Volunteer



PA-PRISON CRUSADE

19 PRISONS • 260 VOLUNTEERS

I hope you and your family are doing well. We spoke about the last few times you came to SCI Camp Hill. I mention how your Father's Day message transformed my life and that I will do all I can to be a man of integrity now and when I am released.

The purpose of my letter is to thank you and Light of Hope for making the prison crusade revivals possible here at SCI Camp Hill and for sending John and Lonette Glick and their five children, along with other volunteers, to our prison. The message and music brightened up this dark place and ignited a Light of Hope inside the men's hearts who came out to the services.

The family's musical talent was inspirational, and Mr. Glick's words were vital to all of us who continue in our walk of faith in Jesus Christ. I wish the entire prison could have heard it all and experienced God's goodness.

May God continue to bless you and your family and everyone at Light of Hope for the good work you do every day.

~ Inmate

Thank you for your service and your obedience to Christ. We had such an amazing time with all of you. Your visit to our prison has impacted our inmates because of the love of Christ living and dwelling in your life.

Throughout the crusade revival weekend, many have committed their lives to Jesus Christ. The ministry team here at Coal Township Prison has committed to following up and helping disciple those who have given their lives to Jesus Christ.

On another note, I'd like to thank Gideon, Marlin, Levi, and John, who sought me out and spoke into my life. It was evident that you are filled with the Holy Spirit. God bless you all and continue to allow the Lord to use you to advance His Kingdom.

~ Inmate

Pastor Stoltzfus,

The prison crusade revivals between April 11 – 14 went very well! I have received so many positive feedback from inmates, and being there myself, I can testify that it was a powerful event, leading many inmates to give their lives to the Lord.

The team was amazing, and their musical ministrations were simply top-notch. I would like to have the group come in more often, please.

Praising God for the Light of Hope Evangelistic Ministry, and the folks that ministered at the prison crusade revivals. Thank you.

~ Rev. Ajibola Fayeshile - SCI Coal Township



FEBRUARY 2024
GO YE THEREFORE
CONFERENCE



I was very blessed to attend the Go Ye Therefore Conference held at the LOH facility. The conference's focus was preparation for ministry, and preparation was exactly what happened as we sat and listened. Preparation also happened as we sat and were prayed over by Amos, Leroy, and Dave. The Lord greatly ministered to us all through each of you! Thank you again for being a channel for God and pouring into our lives!

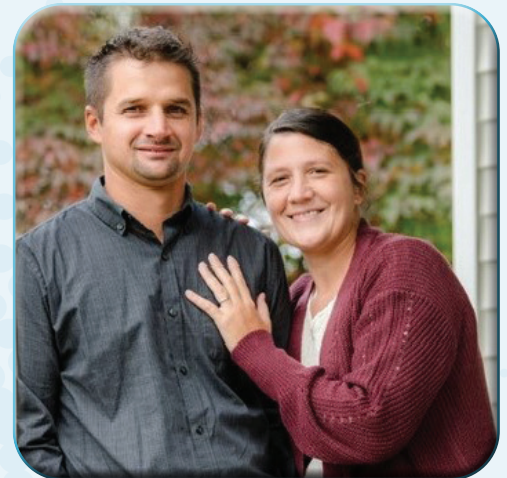


Farewell

We thank Davie and Thelma for their 14 years of service as executive board members for Light of Hope. Their wisdom and hands-on ministry have been much appreciated. They are very passionate about prison ministry and have influenced many others with the same passion.

Welcome

We are excited to welcome Daniel & Kathryn Diener from Millerstown, PA, who have recently been selected and committed to serving a five-year term on the Executive board. We are excited to see what the Lord will do through them in this ministry.



PA PRISON SOFTBALL OUTREACH SEPTEMBER 7 & 8, 2024

SOFTBALL TEAMS ARE NEEDED!

MUST BE 18 OR OLDER TO PARTICIPATE.

**TO SIGN UP A TEAM OR NEED
MORE INFORMATION, CALL: (570) 837-0649**



Amos STOLTZFUS Family



MY GOD IS ALL I NEED

PLEASE KEEP IN MIND!!

Due to our 8-week tour, all CD orders received after May 15 until July 15, will be shipped after we return.

NEW RECORDING

1. GREATLY BLESSED, HIGHLY FAVORED
2. FOR THOSE TEARS I DIED
3. I NEED YOU MORE TODAY
4. GOD'S GREAT
5. DOES JESUS CARE
6. MY GOD IS ALL I NEED
7. OVER AND OVER
8. PASS ME NOT OH GENTLE SAVIOR
9. THEN CHRIST CAME
10. GIVE ME JESUS

WAYS TO PURCHASE.

- Visit our online store.
- Fill out the online response card.
- Download from iTunes.
- Come see us at one of our services
(see ministry schedule.)

LIGHT OF HOPE EVANGELISTIC MINISTRIES

2024 LANCASTER COUNTY FUNDRAISER WEEKEND

320 N. RONKS RD. ~ BIRD-IN-HAND, PA

TOURNAMENTS ~ SINGING ~ FOOD ~ FELLOWSHIP

FRIDAY, JULY 26TH

DELICIOUS

HAYSTACK SUPPER & CONCERT

Soft Pretzels, Ice Cream, Iced Coffee, & Smoothies...



Stoltzfus Family



Ryan & Friends



Fisher Family

SUPPER: 4:30 PM
SINGING: 5:30 PM
CARRY-OUTS
AVAILABLE

SATURDAY, JULY 27TH

TOURNAMENTS ~ FOOD ~ SINGING

TEAMS NEEDED



Co-ed Volleyball Tournament

A & B Division

Cash prizes will be given to both first and second place in both divisions.

To register your team, call: (570) 540-2692

Co-ed Spikeball Tournament

A & B Division

Cash prizes will be given to both first and second place in both divisions.

To register your team, call: (717) 419-6491

FOOD ALL DAY

BREAKFAST ~ LUNCH ~ SUPPER

Sausage Sandwiches, Shrimp & Fries, Hot Dogs,
Soft Pretzels Ice Cream, Iced Coffee, & Smoothies...

Children's Activities in the Afternoon.

Barrel Rides, Bouncy House, & More - Candy Drop @ 3:00 PM

PIG ROAST SUPPER & CONCERT

CARRY-OUTS AVAILABLE

SUPPER: 4:00 PM ~ SINGING: 5:30 PM



Liberated



Aaron Stutzman Family



Harmony of Hope

LOVE OFFERINGS WILL BE RECEIVED BOTH EVENINGS ~ ALL PROCEEDS WILL BENEFIT THE LIGHT OF HOPE PRISON MINISTRY

FOR MORE INFORMATION, CALL: 717.380.8253 OR 570.412.5532

AMOS STOLTZFUS FAMILY SUMMER TOUR SCHEDULE



2024
MINISTRY TOUR

**PRAY
FOR US!**



PRISON DISCIPLESHIP SEMINAR

October 24-27, 2024

VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED!

Must be 18 or older to participate

To sign up or need more information,
call: (570) 837-0649 or via
email info@lightofhope.org

Wed. May 15 New Hope Fellowship Church Newville, PA
Thur. May 16 Haven of Rest Bible Church Galax, VA
Fri. May 17 Perry Correctional Institution Pelzer, SC
Sun. May 19 Word of Life Fellowship Church Montezuma, GA
Tue. May 21 Osceola Christian Fellowship Church Osceola, TX
Thur. May 23 Mexico Border Crossing
Fri. May 24 Community Center Campo 306 Chihuahua, Mexico
Sun. May 26 Fuente de Vida Campo 305 Chihuahua, Mexico (AM)
Sun. May 26 Fuente de Vida Campo 305 Chihuahua, Mexico (PM)
Tue. May 28 Orphanage Center Chihuahua, Mexico
Wed. May 29 Bei der EMB Km. 7 Cuauhtémoc Chihuahua, Mexico
Fri. May 31 Oasis GYM Chihuahua, Mexico
Sat. June 1 United States Border Crossing
Sun. June 2 Old High School Auditorium Seminole, TX
June 7-8 Deer Ridge Prison (Gospel Echoes) Madras, OR
Sun. June 9 Pioneer Christian Academy Brownsville, OR
Tue. June 11 Schoonover Hutterian Colony Odessa, WA
Wed. June 12 Sanders County Fair Grounds Pains, MT
Fri. June 14 Lakeview Christian Fellowship church Rexford, MT
Sun. June 16 Fairfield Mennonite School Fairfield, MT
Mon. June 17 Canada Border Crossing
Tue. June 18 Two Hills Centennial Hall Alberta, Canada
Wed. June 19 Hutterite Colony Saskatchewan, Canada
June 21-23 Thousand Oaks Music Festival Winkler, Canada
Mon. June 24 United States Border Crossing
Tue. June 25 Altoona Christian Fellowship Henderson, MN
Wed. June 26 Floyd Community Building Floyd, IA
Fri. June 28 Dutch Country Café Garnett, KS
Sun. June 30 Word of Life Mennonite Church Hutchinson, KS
Wed. July 3 North Vine Mennonite Church Arthur, IL
Sun. July 7 Fairhaven Mennonite Church Goshen, IN (AM)
Sun. July 7 Calvary Mennonite Church Sturgis, MI (PM)
Tue. July 9 Psalms 51 Ministries Shipshewana, IN
Wed. July 10 Pleasant Grove Mennonite Church Goshen, IN
Fri. July 12 Simeon Graber Building Oden, IN
Sun. July 14 Haven Fellowship Church Plain City, OH (AM)
Sun. July 14 New Life Fellowship Church Millersburg, OH (PM)
July 26-27 Light of Hope Fundraiser Bird-in-Hand, PA
August 17-18 Light of Hope Fundraiser New Bloomfield, PA
Sun. Sept. 8 New Life Fellowship Church Beaver Springs, PA

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