

**CRIMINAL JUSTICE AND MERCY MINISTRIES**  
Opportunities for United Methodist Congregations  
North Carolina Annual Conference

"Remember those who are in prison,  
as though you were in prison with them."  
--Heb. 13:3

A petition approved by the 1984 General Conference called for the development of a comprehensive plan for prison ministry and Prison reform, coordinated through the General Council on Ministries and including participation of the General Boards of Discipleship, Church and Society, and Higher Education and Ministry.

Annual Conferences are encouraged to establish a Committee on Criminal Justice and Mercy Ministries (CJAMM) to accomplish the following: (1) raise awareness and generate local church involvement; (2) identify existing programs; (3) promote criminal justice ministries; and (4) serve as a resource and connectional link with local churches, general program agencies, and ecumenical groups, and use prison ministry and prison reform resources made available through the general agencies.

The purpose is to promote a ministry to persons of all genders and ages who are in prison, to the families of those in prison, and to the victims of crime and their families and to be an advocate for prison concerns. The CJAMM committee may relate to the board of global ministries and/or the board of church and society, which shares social justice concerns. The results of the work in this area will be reported to the annual conference.

**Mission Statement:**

***The Committee on Criminal Justice and Mercy Ministries of the North Carolina Conference is committed to providing services and opportunities for United Methodists in the North Carolina Conference to achieve and maintain an understanding of prison ministry and the importance of prison reform based on Christian principles. The Committee seeks to relate in a Christian manner to the individual offender and his/her family and to victims and their families.***

***The Committee's mission is accomplished by sharing goals and objectives through workshops on Criminal Justice and Mercy Ministries, by developing and promoting an understanding of the Biblical mandate, through the coordination of all programs that fulfill our mission, and by identifying opportunities and focusing on resources. All efforts of the Committee are shared with the conference, districts, local churches and the community at large.***

***To reduce crime and to deal with offenders and their families, strategies emphasize education and prevention of crime, alternatives to prison, fair sentencing, proposing programs and ministries, victim awareness, victim restitution, counseling of families of offenders, restoration of victims of crimes,***

***substance abuse, vocational training of offenders, and employment of those released from prison.***

The Conference Committee on Criminal Justice and Mercy Ministries (CJAMM) is eager to assist any and or all of the North Carolina Conference churches in becoming advocates for the victims, for the inmates, and for the chaplains at the prisons and jails in our Conference geographic area.

We offer a yearly updated booklet entitled, "Criminal Justice and Mercy Ministries Opportunities" which is available through the Conference office, or from a CJAMM member. This booklet has a listing of some of the opportunities for ministries in the prisons, and a listing of what many of the churches in our Conference are doing.

There is a wonderful mission being carried out by the many prison volunteers and tremendous prayer support through out the Conference. Crime and the needs within the justice system continue to rise. The CJAMM committee encourages every church to support prison ministries by visiting and praying with our brothers and sisters there.

The main areas we are urging the churches to take on are our FIVE INITIATIVES:

1. Be a PRAYING CHURCH – organize a committee and adopt a local institution and pray regularly for the staff, the inmates, the victims, and the families.
2. Be an ADVOCATING CHURCH – for victims, for inmates, for local prisons.
3. Be a RECEIVING CHURCH – welcome inmates as they are released and their families when they visit or accept a family member home from an institution.
4. Be a DISCIPLE BIBLE STUDY LEADING CHURCH – have members that are willing to contribute, via: teaching and/or funding the Disciple Bible Study in a local institution, through the Disciple Bible Outreach Ministries office.
5. Be a FUNDING CHURCH - offer monetary assistance to various programs that the chaplains may have.

We also give grant support to the following:

1. Disciple Bible Outreach Ministries – DBOM is a joint NC & WNC Conference venture which seeks to have every church and every institution in North Carolina involved in the Disciple Bible Study series.
2. MATCH ( Mothers And Their Children), Inc. which is a program at Women's prison in Raleigh which educates mothers in many area of parenting and also enables them to have visits with their children in a homelike atmosphere.
3. Yokefellow Ministries – trained volunteers that share the love of Jesus weekly in the institution
4. Angel Tree Ministries – a project by Prison Fellowship that enables caring people to provide Christmas gifts for the children if incarcerated persons
5. Epiphany ministries – A weekend event that involves a team of Christian adults who work together to show the love of God and the saving power of Jesus to the residents of youth institutes.

The following is an alphabetized list of opportunities for ministry in the prisons, training schools and detention centers, community-based programs, and other programs within the bounds of the North Carolina Annual Conference. Programs and opportunities with descriptions are in **bold** print. Other programs, which have not been defined, are included to show the broad scope of unlimited opportunities that churches and church men and women can become a participant.

We are a covenant people, but we are marked in many ways by having broken the covenant. The biblical story reflects God's relationship with us – creating us, accompanying us, and always calling us back into right relationship God and with God's creation.

We are mandated by Christ to be in ministry by “proclaiming freedom to the captives” (Luke 4:18), and we are all summoned to “remember those in prison as if we were their fellow captives” (Hebrews 13:3). The ministry of the global church affirms that “we no longer see anyone from a human point of view” (II Cor. 5:15), but rather, through the eyes of Christ, we see the world of prisoners, crime victims, and their families as an arena of God's grace and the place of our ministry.

Jesus identified Himself as being the One who was hungry, thirsty, a stranger, a prisoner – and invited us to ministries of nurture, outreach, and witness. We respond to this invitation and commit ourselves to justice-making.

We understand that justice-making is restorative rather than re-tri'bu-tive, seeks to create wholeness rather than merely isolate blame, cares for both victim and offender, and seeks the ultimate restoration of right relationships between God and humankind, until we see peace (shalom) restored in the community.

We understand that our ministry is with prisoners, crime victims, and their families. This encompasses a concern for the entire criminal justice system, including persons who are employed within the structures of that system, such as law enforcement, judicial, correction offices. Our ministry is both pastoral and prophetic, seeking both to heal those who have been wounded and to transform those structures which inflict those wounds.

Jesus Christ is the very incarnation of God. He was born of a peasant and spent his first months as an undocumented alien in Egypt. He worked as a common laborer, associated with outcast sinners and criminals. He Himself was charged as a criminal and executed between two bandits. He was buried in a pauper's grave. He described the purpose of His whole ministry in the words of the ancient prophet Isaiah:

“The Spirit of the Lord GOD is upon me, because the Lord has anointed me to preach good tidings to the poor; he has sent me to heal the brokenhearted, to proclaim liberty to the captives, and the opening of the prison to those who are bound, to proclaim the acceptable year of the Lord.” -- Isaiah 61

Although the early Methodists' involvement in criminal justice ministries was largely pastoral and evangelical and lacked the reform dimensions needed, it was firmly grounded in Wesley's theological understanding and practice of discipleship. A recovery of our historical and theological roots as Methodists could result in renewal of the church and society.

The basic issue confronting The United Methodist Church is theological: Who and where is God? The long-forgotten or ignored answer is: God is among the poor, the outcasts, the imprisoned, the victimized working for justice, healing, and

reconciliation. God's preoccupation with victims and the oppressed is clearly revealed in Yahweh's self-disclosure to Moses, a murderer, "I have seen the affliction of my people; I have heard their cries under their taskmasters. Indeed, I know their sufferings and I have come to deliver them" (Exodus 3:7ff).

God is in such close solidarity and identification with the wounded, sick, poor, and imprisoned that what is done to them is done to God (Matt. 25:31-46). At the heart of God's nature is reconciliation. God was in Christ reconciling the world unto Godself and calling the church as an agent of reconciliation (II Cor. 5:16-210).

It has been said that the roots of modern correctional Chaplaincy lie in the origin of Methodism. In the eighteenth century, Wesley gave a distinctly pastoral mandate to the Methodist societies which he founded.

During the summer of 1730, William Morgan and John and Charles Wesley, along with others from the Holy Club, obtained permission to visit the condemned housed in Oxford Castle. Shortly thereafter, a plan of regular services was arranged.

Services were arranged in the chapel for such as wished to attend, and opportunities for discussion followed the reading of extracts from devotional books. Soon a plan of regular services was drawn up, so that prisoners and jailers alike could anticipate the visits. It was this fondness for system which earned for the members of the Holy Club the name "Methodist."

"I shall endeavor to show," said John Wesley, "that Christianity is essentially as social religion, and that to turn it into a solitary one is to destroy it." With characteristic directness he then spelled out for his followers the specific methods they could employ to avoid this dangerous pitfall of solitariness. In the General Rules of 1743, he urged Methodists to practice words of mercy (feed the hungry, clothe the naked, visit prisons and hospitals, seek out those in need) and works of piety (church attendance, Communion, prayer, Scripture reading, fasting, abstinence). Such "works" were methods that recalled Wesley's days at Oxford when the Holy Club's strict style of living earned it the term "Methodist."

Contemporary heirs of Wesley seek the Aldersgate Street without visiting Newgate Prison. Renewal will come only if we recognize that a Wesleyan spiritual journey includes necessary stops at both Newgate Prison and Aldersgate Street: that is, discipleship includes both acts of justice and mercy and pious devotion. (Adapted from Statements of the Council of Bishops on Peace and Justice)

## Alphabetical Listing of Prison Ministry Resources

### A

#### **A.A. Groups**

Contact the Volunteer Coordinator at your local correctional facility. See list of prison units and/or training schools at the end of this pamphlet.

#### **Academic Education Programs**

Tutoring opportunities are available for volunteers. Contact Volunteer Coordinator at your local correctional facility, the Chaplain at one of the five youth development centers, or the Administrative Services Assistants at one of twelve detention centers.

#### **Adopt-an-inmate Program**

The Adopt-an-Inmate Program seeks to recognize significant dates and events in their lives of those incarcerated, such as birthdays or wedding anniversaries that take place while he/she is in prison.

#### **Aid to Imprisoned Mothers**

The heart of AIM's work is helping incarcerated mothers and their children develop and maintain strong bonds. AIM is committed to two key principles: women's empowerment and children's well-being. As an ecumenical effort, AIM provides transportation two Saturdays a month for children in the Atlanta area to visit their mothers at the state women's prison nearly three hours away. Games, story telling, lunch at a restaurant and specialized attention from trained volunteers make the ride a productive time. Once inside the prison, children visit their mothers for three hours in a special children's visiting room, which resembles a child care center and where no guards are present. These visits allow the mothers to maintain parental roles in their children's lives.

Children whose mothers are in prison face formidable challenges to their self-esteem. AIM developed the Children's Counseling Project to help children deal with the feelings of loss, anger, embarrassment and low self-esteem that are often associated with their mothers' incarceration. Through play therapy and individual and group counseling, children learn to express themselves. Recreational, educational and cultural enrichment activities further enhance the children's interpersonal coping skills, which in turn reduces the potential for problems at home and in school.

Address: 61 8th Street, N.W., Atlanta, GA 30309, (949) 881-8291

#### **Alpha Course**

The Alpha Course is a 15-session, ten week practical introduction to the Christian faith. It was created to serve all denominations, traditions and backgrounds. It is a simple, dynamic and effective way of presenting the message of Jesus Christ in a clear and non-threatening manner to people from all walks of life – particularly to those with no faith at all and to those who do not go to regular religious services.

Alpha North America, F.D.R. Station, P. O. box 5209, New York, NY 10150, 888-949-2574  
(alphana@aol.com)

## **Alternatives**

Churches can offer to judges and courts a variety of effective alternatives to incarceration for criminal behavior. Alternatives require the support of legislation. Churches organized ecumenically can have impact on legislators. Intensive Probation Supervision using volunteers, house arrest, work/school release, deferred sentencing are all effective alternatives to incarceration for certain offenses.

## **Alternative Punishment Programs**

St. Paul said, "Let the thief no longer steal, but rather let him labor, doing honest work with his hands, so that he may be able to give to those in need." Overcrowding of our prisons makes this program mandatory. It is also less expensive and far more redemptive than incarceration. It also provides for victim restitution and helps the prisoner work through guilt in a constructive way. Western Carolinians for Criminal Justice working for alternative sentencing have helpful information. Contact United Methodist Ms. Ellen Clarke-Sayer, 24 Cumberland Ave., Asheville, NC 28801. Phone: 704/253-1136. Other United Methodists working in alternatives for women are Ms. Marilyn Mink at the Guilford County Women's Residential Center. Phone: 910/273-4695 and Ms. Mabel Topping, 1201 Berry Bridge Rd., Charlotte, NC 28226 at Echo House in Charlotte. Phone: 704/847-8648.

## **Amends Ministry**

Amends Ministry, located in Greensboro, NC, is a program that addresses the needs of prison inmates upon being paroled, giving them a place to live and grow in the faith while assisting them in job search, transportation to the job, along with a secure place to live with other Christian brothers. The goal is to assist those paroled in making their transition back into society as self-reliant citizens and productive taxpayers. The program offers a substance-free, supportive Christian living environment, life counseling, transportation, and job interviews. Address: Amends Ministry, Rev. Dewey J. Massey, 3626 Mosby Drive, Greensboro, NC 27407, 910-855, 5409.

## **American Friends Service Committee**

American Friends Service Committee provides support and training to grassroots peace and justice groups. Address: Dayton Area Office, 915 Salem Avenue, Dayton, OH (513) 278-4225

## **The American Friends Service Committee (Philadelphia)**

American Friends Service Committee is devoted to building a just and peaceful world. It also plays key roles in the National Coalition to Abolish the Death Penalty. Address: National Criminal Justice Program, 1501 Cherry Street, Philadelphia, PA 19102, (215) 241-7130

## **Amnesty International**

Address: 730 Peachtree Street, Atlanta, GA. Phone: (404) 876-5561

## **Angel Tree**

The Angel Tree is a yearly project by Prison Fellowship to provide Christmas gifts for children of incarcerated persons. The program allows for initial introduction of volunteers to those family members who are caring for children of inmates close to or associated with their community. Contact: Prison Fellowship, P. O. Box 58112, Raleigh, NC 27658. Phone: (919) 781-8116 or 1-800-445-5244.

## **B**

### **Bible Study**

Contact the Volunteer Coordinator at your local correctional facility, the Chaplain at youth development centers, or the administrative services assistant at the detention centers.

### **Biblical/Theological Perspectives**

The gospel calls us to expressions of redemption rather than retribution, reconciliation rather than vengeance, even when society around us may be calling for something quite different. The New Testament includes specific reference to ministry to prisoners. Read: Matt. 5:38-44; Matt. 25:36; Rom. 12:16-21; Heb. 13:3; John 8:3-11.

### **Books for Prison/Youth Development Centers/Detention Center Libraries**

Contact the Programs Supervisor/Program Director at your local correctional facility, the chaplain at youth development centers, or the administrative services assistants at the detention centers.

### **Building Wide Church Awareness and Support**

United Methodist congregations and individual members are working to increase the awareness and commitment to prison and jail ministries and prison reform efforts in their respective areas.

## **C**

### **Chaplain Assistant**

For the Division of Prison, Department of Corrections, contact Religious Services Section, Division of Prisons, P. O. Box 29540, Raleigh, 27626-0540. Phone: 919/733-3226.

For the Department of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention, contact: Department of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention, 410 South Salisbury Street, Raleigh, NC 27610. Phone: 919/733-3388.

### **Chaplain Intern**

Chaplain interns are usually provided for the Division of Prisons and the Department of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention through the theological schools/seminaries within the state. Schools that have participated include The Divinity School of Duke University, Durham, NC, and

Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary, Wake Forest, NC. These internships are most often under the auspices of the Field Placement or Field Education Programs of the respective graduate schools. For more information, contact one of the chaplains in the Division of Prisons or the Department of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention.

### **Chaplaincy Services**

For the Division of Prison, Department of Corrections, contact Religious Services, Division of Prisons, P. O. Box 29540, Raleigh, 27626-0540. Phone: 919/733-3226.

For the Department of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention, contact: Department of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention, 410 South Salisbury Street, P. O. Box 29527, Raleigh, NC 27610. Phone: 919/733-3388.

### **Chatham County Dispute Settlement Program**

The Chatham County Dispute Settlement Program offers an opportunity for support training and involvement in conflict management mediation.

### **Coalition to Stop Gun Violence**

Purpose is to ban the sale of handguns and assault weapons to private individuals. Address: 100 Maryland Avenue, NE, Washington, DC, (202) 544-7190.

### **Community Success Initiative**

Community Success Initiative is a non-profit corporation with a vision to create communities where people discover their potential, set worthy goals for their lives, and take action in a positive way. We envision communities where friendships and relationships are created and strengthened through positive community action. The mission of the organization is to help make the world a better place through programs that help individuals and communities be aware of personal growth and “success” principles, inspire others to reach their potential, and help build vibrant and healthy communities. Address: P. O. Box 61114, Raleigh, NC 27661, Telephone: 919-834-7626, Ext. 11.

Through a network of community partners, we work with men and women in prison, former prisoners, people in transition, their families through our “Resource Center Without Walls.” We provide small group training and individual mentoring in general life skills, leadership, entrepreneurship, financial literacy, and areas related to transitioning back into family and community life. We also convene gatherings that provide the opportunity for people with life experience with criminal justice and prison systems to network with each other, exchange knowledge and resources, and solve problems. These gatherings usually take the shape of family sessions to strengthen family relationships as well as support and empowerment groups for prisoners and former prisoners. We also collaboratively convene roundtables for people to learn more about the criminal justice and prison systems from people with real life experiences, and organize advocacy efforts around related issues.

## **Conference Speakers Bureau**

Rev. Bruce Pate, Mr. Pat Ford (919-847-8671 (H), 919-461-5027 (O), or Ms. Linda Harris. % The Methodist Building, P. O. Box 10955, Raleigh, NC 27605. 919-832-9560 or WATS 1-800-849-4433.

## **Correctional Officers and Staff**

Concerted effort needs to be directed toward a ministry with administrators as well as other systems staff. Churches may bring pressure on legislatures to raise standards and increase pay incentives for institutional personnel and upgrade training and continuing education opportunities. We need more churchmen and churchwomen in the criminal justice system, and the church needs to support them in their attempts to live out their Christian calling. Keeping a balance of justice (and restraint of the heartless), with mercy and hope for an offender's future is very difficult. United Methodist District Judge Ray Walton has helpful knowledge and counsel. His address is: Judge Ray Walton, P. O. Box 11028, Southport, NC 28461. United Methodist Leon Morrow is Superintendent of the Western Correctional Center, P. O. Drawer 1439, Morganton, NC 28655. Phone: 704/437-8335.

## **Criminal Justice and Mercy Ministries**

The General Conference of 1988 recognized the importance of our involvement in Criminal Justice Ministries. Pleas for greater participation on the part of main-line churches have been coming from the Chaplains for a long time. United Methodism has certain gifts of theology, methodology, balance, structure, evangelical spirit, ecumenical approach, etc., which are greatly needed in carrying out criminal justice ministries. Now God's call, the world's need, and our gifts have converged and come to us as a mandate.

Our purpose as the Criminal Justice and Mercy Ministries (CJAMM) of the United Methodist Church will be to help implement the General Conference mandate. We will work with the General Council on Ministries Committee and the boards, but our focus will be on implementation in Annual Conferences, Districts, local churches and the Jurisdictions. Address: CJAMM, Dr. Jerry D. Murray, Director, 1001 Reynolda Road, Winston-Salem, NC 27104, 910-722-4970 or 910-377-9864.

## **Criminal Justice Month**

## **Criminal Justice Partnership Program**

In conjunction with the passage of Structured Sentencing, the General Assembly also enacted the State-County Criminal Justice Partnership Act to establish local community correction programs. By statute, the Department of Correction awards community corrections grants to counties that apply for funding.

## **Criminal Justice Reform**

Since the days when John Wesley referred to the prisons of England as "squalid, stinking holes," people called Methodists have demonstrated a concern for criminal justice reform. As far back as 1940, the Social Creed of the Methodist Church called for 'the application of the redemptive principle to the treatment of offenders.'

## **Criminal Justice System**

Attend city, justice and circuit court proceedings. Invite a judge, lawyer or law enforcement official to speak and to participate in question and answer session on the court system in your state. Do this with various groups in your church. Invite local legislative representatives to speak on current proposed legislation dealing with criminal justice and correction.

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## **DART (Drug and Alcohol Rehabilitation Treatment)**

DART - Drug/Alcohol Recovery Treatment program. DART is now administered by the Division of Alcohol and Chemical Dependency. Among its responsibilities is a 35-day treatment process available to inmates based upon either a judicial recommendation or a needs assessment by prison staff. Contact Tom Invester, DART Program Administrator, 831 W. Morgan Street, Raleigh, NC 27603. Telephone: 919-715-3786.

## **Disciple Bible Outreach Ministries of North Carolina, Inc. (A Collaborative Ministry of the North Carolina and Western North Carolina Conferences of the United Methodist Church)**

Discipleship Bible Outreach Ministries (DBOM) is a mission-based ministry founded by the North Carolina and Western North Carolina Conferences of the United Methodist Church. DBOM was organized in 1999 to promote DISCIPLE Bible Study in the churches of North Carolina, especially small membership and rural churches, and to develop church sponsored DISCIPLE Bible Studies in prisons throughout the state.

DBOM fulfills its mission to the churches by providing hands-on support to congregations throughout the state, funding DISCIPLE training scholarships and sponsoring North Carolina's DISCIPLE Bible Study training events.

In the prisons, DBOM has earned the reputation as one of the fastest growing and most dynamic prison ministries in North Carolina. DBOM has established a DISCIPLE studies in 70 correctional institutions, impacting the lives of incarcerated men, women and youth. More than 300 lay and clergy volunteers fill DBOM's volunteer ranks and lead studies behind prison walls. DBOM recruits and equips all DISCIPLE prison volunteers and requires training prior to imprisonment.

DBOM's aftercare ministry, "Faithful Friends," links newly released prison participants with caring Christian friends in local churches in an effort to combat the high rate of return to prison following release.

DBOM's outreach to incarcerated youth, "Rings of Fellowship," has received notice among juvenile justice professionals as a promising program for at-risk youth – their needs and concerns. Rings is being taught in all five Youth Development Centers in the state, and in its first full year of implementation, involved more than 130 youth!

The Disciple Bible Study is a 34-session Bible Study developed by the United Methodist Publishing House to help Christians in prison to become disciples and equip them for Christian Service among the Christian population. It seeks to provide a church home for prisoners who are paroled. Prison requirements include: (1) a prison with a stable population and easy access

for leaders, (2) prison chaplain who are willing partners in the program, and (3) a core group of inmates who are committed to Bible study. Church requirements include (1) churches will welcome inmates as children of God and make them feel wanted, (2) churches willing to offer financial assistance for videos, workbooks and study Bibles, and (3) pastors and church leaders supportive of the program. Leader requirements: (1) Trained leaders to conduct 34 sessions of Disciple Bible Study, (2) become civilian volunteers (CV) and take inmates out on passes to church and other approved activities, (3) meet with inmates on an individual basis for counseling, (4) be willing to entertain inmates in their homes and break bread in Christian fellowship, (5) Have spouses and other family members who are supportive, and (6) leaders are asked (not) to attend parole hearings nor provide letters of recommendation for parole. Contact Disciple Bible Outreach Ministries of North Carolina, Inc., P. O. Box 4158, Archdale, NC 27263, Phone: 336-434-8612, Fax: 336-434-8612, Web: [www.disciplebibleoutreach.org](http://www.disciplebibleoutreach.org) - E-mail: [discipleeast@nccumc.org](mailto:discipleeast@nccumc.org)

### **Ecumenical and Joint Action**

United Methodists will work ecumenically, both with state and local councils of churches, other denominations, and with action groups such as Yokefellows, Prison Fellowship, Southern Coalition for Jails and Prisons and the National Inter-religious Task Force on Criminal Justice for effective ministry.

### **Education Opportunities**

Many community colleges offer pre-GED, GED, and college courses at local units. There are also vocational courses at some institution; such as: office practices, masonry, and carpentry, electrical and industrial repair.

### **Enterprise**

Enterprise programs involve inmates in an industrial job on site at the prison. Several prisons have Enterprise plants which perform a broad range of industrial-type services. These programs provide inmates with job skills, as well as some income to assist in the payment of court-ordered debts. The products and services produced by Enterprise activities also help generate income for the prison system itself to offset some of the cost of the taxpayers.

### **Epiphany Ministry, Inc.**

Epiphany Ministry, Inc. is an ecumenical Christian ministry for young men and women who are in the custody of a Juvenile Justice Facility. The weekend models on which it is based are: Kairos Prison Ministry, Cursillo, Walk to Emmaus, Chrysalis, Happening and Cross. Our purpose is to manifest God's love to incarcerated youth, known as "Stars" through a three-day short course in Christianity and an ongoing follow-up program. Each Epiphany weekend involves a team of adults and youth from the Christian community who work together to show the love of God to those attending. Address: 1512 Center Point Road, Suite 201, Birmingham, AL 35215. Contact Person: Peggy New 843-248-8835 or Leslie Womack (910-610-1248). [NATEPIFANY@aol.com](mailto:NATEPIFANY@aol.com) or [www.epiphanyministry.com](http://www.epiphanyministry.com)

## **Faith-Based Initiatives**

Faith-Based initiatives are under the director of Assistant Secretary Larry Dix, Department of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention and are designed to develop and promote faith-based initiatives and community partnerships. These initiatives and partnerships will aid DJJDP's mission in delinquency prevention. Contact: Larry Dix, Department of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention, 410 South Salisbury Street, Raleigh, NC 27610. Phone: 919/733-3388.

## **Faithful Friends**

In 2001, a Task Force was organized by the Disciple Bible Outreach Ministries, Inc., to begun work on a program of spiritual support for released and paroled ex-offenders who had participated in Disciple Bible Study while incarcerated. The result was a four-month program called "Faithful Friends." The mission of Faithful Friends is to relate, in group settings, former incarcerated Disciple Participants and graduates, in the earliest stages of release, with Disciple participants and graduates in the local church of North Carolina involved in Disciple Prison Ministry. The mission is to provide spiritual support, prayer and scriptural study to aid the ex-offended during the difficult time of transition from the prison to the community. Address: Friends Director, P. O. Box 4158, Archdale, NC 27263 – (336-434-8612.

## **Family Support**

Seek to relate to inmate families to the caring fellowship of a church.

## **Fatherread Program**

The Fatherread Program is a program that allows the incarcerated father to spend time with his child through reading. Fatherread programs are offered at Dan River Prison Work Farm in Yanceyville, Craven Correctional Institution at Vanceboro, Nash Correctional Institution at Nashville, Pender Correctional Institution at Burgaw and Stokes Correctional Center at Walnut Cove. The idea of Fatherread is to let the child know that his father still loves him and is concerned about him. It helps men learn how to become interested in that child and show them love. At the prisons where Fatherread is offered, the program runs eight to twelve weeks. At each prison, the success of the class relies on the instructor and the support they receive from prison staff.

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### **Gender Specific Resource Manual**

The Gender Specific Resource Manual is the result of the efforts of the North Carolina State Advisory Committee for Gender Specific Services. The Advisory Committee is comprised of a group of professionals who have recognized the need for gender specific services and training and have experience in delivering such services. The manual was written and compiled by Denise Chrisman. For further information, contact project manager Judy Julian, Department of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention, at [judy.julian@ncmail.net](mailto:judy.julian@ncmail.net).

## **General Council on Ministries**

The General Council on Ministries facilitates The United Methodist Church's total program life as determined by General Conference. Address: 601 W. Riverview Avenue, Dayton, OH 45406-5543, (513) 227-9400, Fax (513) 227-9407

## **General Board of Church and Society**

The General Board of Church and Society advocates prison reform in the various legislative forums at local, state, and federal levels through its Christian advocacy networks. Oftentimes their witness is brought through meetings with prison officials, local activists, governor's offices, and the U.S. Department of Justice. It seeks implementation of the Social Principles and other General Conference policy statements related to social concerns. It encourages the exchange of ideas on strategy and methodology for social change. It enables church members to identify and respond to critical social issues at community, state, and regional levels. It also provides resources for criminal justice system reform. Address: 100 Maryland Avenue, NE, Washington, DC 20002-5664, (202) 488-5600, Fax (202) 488-5616

## **General Board of Discipleship**

The General Board of Discipleship provides resources for local church leaders and pastors. It provides resources for establishment of Covenant Discipleship groups in prisons. Manages and publishes devotional life books and magazines. It equips clergy and laity for leadership. Address: P. O. Box 840, Nashville, TN 37202-0840 (615) 340-7200, Fax (615) 340-7006/7565.

## **General Board of Global Ministries**

The General Board of Global Ministries discerns where the gospel has not been heard or heeded, witnesses around the world, and invites all to new life in Christ. It involves congregations and annual conferences in mission at home and abroad. The Board identifies with the alienated and dispossessed. Address: 475 Riverside Drive, New York, NY 10115, (212) 870-3600 or (800) 328-0802, Fax (212) 870-3748.

## **General Board of Higher Education and Ministry**

The General Board of Higher Education and Ministry works with annual conference boards of ordained ministry, diaconal ministry, and higher education and campus ministry. Prison chaplains relate with the Division of Chaplains & Related Ministries. The Board relates to persons preparing for and currently serving in the ordained and diaconal ministry, including developing and maintaining standards and procedures for certification in ministry careers. Address: P. O. Box 871, Nashville, TN 37202-0871, (615) 340-7400, Fax (615) 340-7048.

## **General Commission on Christian Unity and Inter-religious Concerns**

Fosters approaches to ministry and mission that more fully reflect the oneness of Christ's church in the human community. Address: 475 Riverside Drive, Room 1300, New York, NY 10225, (212) 749-3553, Fax (212) 749-3556.

## **General Commission on Religion and Race**

Develops and conducts its ministry through monitoring and evaluating, advocating, empowering, sensitizing, counseling and consulting, investigating, enabling and funding in order to ensure racial justice and inclusiveness. Address: 110 Maryland Avenue NE, No. 48, Washington, DC 20002-5680, (202) 547-2271, Fax (202) 437-0858.

### **General Commission on the Status and Role of Women**

The General Commission on the Status and Role of Women fosters an awareness of issues, policies, and concerns related to the status and role of women. The commission in its role as advocate shall assist in eradicating the problems of sexual harassment by developing policies and procedures for addressing these problems. Address: 1200 Davis Street, Evanston, IL 60201-4188, (708) 869-7330, Fax (708) 475-5061.

### **General Commission on Communication (United Methodist Communications)**

The General Commission on Communication provides resources and services to local churches and annual conferences in the field of communications. Addresses: P. O. Box 320, Nashville, TN 37202-0320, (615) 742-5400, Fax (615) 742-5460/5469; New York Office, 475 Riverside Drive, Room 1901, New York, NY 10115-0111, (212) 663-8900, Fax (212) 663-2746.

### **Governor's One-on-One Program**

The Governor's One-on-One Volunteer Program is a State-wide initiative that has promoted individualized attention for at-risk children with adult volunteers since 1982. County One-on-One directors match children with specially trained volunteers who spend a minimum of four hours a week with their assigned children for a year. These volunteers serve as role models, assisting the children in developing social skills. Currently, there are 57 Governor's One-on-One Volunteer Programs serving 61 counties in North Carolina. The Special Session of the General Assembly in 1994, focusing on crime, will expand to 65 programs. For information, contact: Governor's One-on-One Program, Department of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention, 410 South Salisbury Street, Raleigh, NC 27610. Phone: 919/733-3388.

### **Guardian Ad-Litem Programs**

When in a petition a juvenile is alleged to be abused or neglected, the judge shall appoint a guardian ad litem to represent the juvenile. When a juvenile is alleged to be dependent, the judge may appoint a guardian ad litem to represent the juvenile. The appointment shall be made pursuant to the program established by Article 39 of Chapter 7A, North Carolina Criminal Law and Procedure unless representation is otherwise provided pursuant to G.S. 7A-491 or G.S. 7A-492. The appointment shall terminate at the end of two years. Upon motion of any party including the guardian ad litem, or upon the judge's own motion, the guardian ad litem may be reappointed upon a showing of good cause. In every case where a monattorney is appointed as a guardian ad litem, an attorney shall be appointed in the case in order to assure protection of the child's legal rights through the dispositional phase of the proceedings, and after disposition when necessary to further the best interests of the child. The duties of the guardian ad litem program shall be make an investigation to determine the facts, the needs of the juvenile, and the available resources within the family and community to meet those needs; to facilitate, when appropriate, the settlement of disputed issues; to offer evidence and examine witnesses at adjudication; to explore options with the judge at the dispositional hearing; and to protect and promote the best interest of the juvenile until formally relieved of the responsibility by the judge. Address: Guardian ad Litem Program, P. O. Box 2448, Raleigh, NC 27602.

## **Guide for Prison Ministry**

There is a new resource from the UMC put together and written by members of the Interagency Committee, which came out of the 1992 General Conference. It is the Prison Ministry Action and Study Guide. It can be used by any group that desires to develop and maintain a ministry to prisoners.

Section one covers the responsibilities for persons who are coordinators for prison ministry in their annual conference. Section two on getting started suggests ways conferences and congregations can begin their work. The third section lists where to find help, including names and addresses. It is unfortunate that there are some errors in that section. The final section is titled, "The Tool Box," rich with theological reflection and a practical flow chart on the criminal justice system from arrest to sentencing.

The approximately 30 page guide can be ordered from Alyne JoAnn Eslinger, Prison Ministry Action and Study Guide, P. O. Box 840, Nashville, TN 37202-0840 or by calling 615-340-7130. There is no cost!

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## **Harriet's House**

Harriett's House is a transitional housing program for female ex-offenders and their Children. In response to the needs of the more than 800 female inmates imprisoned in Raleigh, North Carolina, the Harriet's House program was created in 1992 by women in the city's faith community. Harriet's House is a program of Passage Home, Inc., a faith-based, multi-cultural non-profit community development corporation that began as a transitional housing program for homeless families with children in 1990. The goals of the Harriet's House program are self-sufficiency and reduction of recidivism. Through Harriet's House, ex-offenders are reunited with their children to form healthy and stable family units. More information can be obtained from Passage Home, Inc., P. O. Box 17588, Raleigh, NC 27619-7588.

## **Human Relations Sunday**

In the observance of Human Relations Sunday, congregations can focus on police/community relations and criminal justice ministry along with the need to be aware of the worth, dignity and potential of all persons.

## **Impact Program**

Impact - Intensive Motivational Program of Alternative Correctional treatment. This is the state's correctional boot camp program, which currently has two sites: Hoffman and Morganton. The program is a 90-day shock incarceration with military discipline and heavy reliance on physical labor and personal growth rehabilitation. Contact Col. John Taylor, IMPACT Commandant, or Raymond Wade, IMPACT Chaplain, P. O. Box 316, Hoffman, NC 28347. Telephone: 910-281-3834

## **INFOSERV**

InfoServe, the toll-free, person-to-person, rapid-answer service for anyone, provides current information about programs, funds, resources, materials, and events related to the church. It channels communication between callers and the general agencies of The United Methodist Church and provides information on current church policy. InfoServ directs callers to appropriate staff services and can verify news, general church disaster response, and any information related to the denomination. InfoServe is also available in Spanish, Korean, and Telecommunications Device for the Deaf (TDD). Address: Phone (800) 251-8140 (8:00 A.M. - 4:00 P.M. CST, Monday-Friday)

### **International Prison Ministry (Chaplain Ray)**

The International Prison Ministry is dedicated to the task of sharing the Love of God and the Gospel of Jesus Christ with every prisoner in America. To do this they send free Bibles to every prisoner who requests one. The prisoner may also request a Bible Dictionary and Concordance and a variety of interesting and effective Life-Changing books. They provide these same materials and more to the chaplains of all the state and federal prisons of America. They also supply many county prisons. Their libraries of Life-Changing Books have been placed in all of the prisons and in several thousand jails. IPM also conducts crusades into major prisons, and correspondence is maintained with thousands of prisoners. Address: International Prison Ministry, Box 63, Dallas, Texas 75221. Phone: 214/494-2302.

### **Interstate Correctional Compact Case**

The compact is an agreement between other Carolina and other states whereby North Carolina's Department of Correction provides supervision to residents who were convicted of crimes in other states, and other states provide supervision to their residents who have convictions in North Carolina.

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### **Jail Ministry**

Several excellent models of good jail ministry have been pioneered in our state. One of the best is Mrs. Bobbie Phillips, visitor for West Market Street United Methodist Church in Greensboro. Her address is: P. O Box 870, Greensboro, NC 27402. Telephones: (910) 855-6374 or 275-4587.

### **Justice Fellowship**

Justice Fellowship is the criminal justice reform arm of Prison Fellowship. This group seeks to replace the old notion that crime is an offense only against government with a new visitation -- restorative justice. Restorative justice recognizes that crime also causes injuries to victims and communities - injuries which must be healed. Justice Fellowship volunteers work with legislators, judges, government agencies, and church and community organizations in 22 states to: (1) pursue explicit rights for victims in criminal cases, (2) advocate non-prison punishment for nonviolent offenders so they can pay restitution to their victims, (3) promote prison industry work programs for incarcerated offenders, and (4) promote programs, both while prisoners are serving their sentences and after their release, to help them to re-enter community life as productive citizens less likely to commit new crimes. Call Joe Padgett: (919) 782-2816.

### **Juvenile Crime Prevention Councils**

Article 24A of the North Carolina Juvenile Code (G.S. Chapter 7A) enacted in 1975, established the framework for the Office of Juvenile Justice Community-Based Alternatives (CBA) Program. Included is a requirement to develop evaluation standards, an ongoing assessment of youth needs, and a comprehensive process for reporting the overall effectiveness of services developed in response to the state's efforts to serve troubled youth. All former CBA programs are now under the jurisdiction of Juvenile Crime Prevention Councils.

Juvenile Crime Prevention Councils promote in each county an inter-agency process intended to: (1) identify youth needs; (2) plan and implement programs to address those needs; and (3) monitor and evaluate program effectiveness. Some 486 local programs are directed toward prevention and intervention before problem behaviors require removal of youth to secure residential treatment programs in training school.

Juvenile Crime Prevention Council Funds may be used for treatment, intervention or prevention services in any of the following types of programs: Group Homes, Specialized Foster Care, Temporary Shelter Care, Temporary Specialized Foster Care, Counseling, Psychological Services to Juvenile Court, Crisis Intervention, Adult Volunteers, Wilderness/Adventure Programs, Home-Based Family Services, Prevention Programs, Restitution/Community Service, High Risk Community Programs, and Guided Growth Programs. For more information, call: Juvenile Crime Prevention Councils, Department of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention, 410 Salisbury Street, Raleigh, NC 27610. Phone: 919/733-3388.

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### **Kairos Prison Ministry International**

Kairos Prison Ministry International, Inc. is the parent organization of a body of ministries addressing the spiritual needs of incarcerated men, women and children, to their families and to those who work in the prison environment. Kairos sprang from the Cursillo movement and is supported by volunteers from Cursillo and those other movements that consider Cursillo as their root. Although a separate ministry, Kairos has received the blessing and encouragement of 4<sup>th</sup> Day movements such as Cursillo, National Episcopal Cursillo, Presbyterian Cursillo, Lutheran Via de Cristo, The Upper Room's Walk to Emmaus, and independently ecumenical Tres Fisd. Kairos Prison Ministry is a ministry rather than a movement.

Address: 140 N. Orlando Ave., Suite 275, Winter Park, FL 32789-3680, (407) 629-4948

### **Kairos Prison Ministry**

The purpose of Kairos is to build strong Christian communities inside prison walls. It begins with a three-day short course in Christianity and continues with small share and prayer groups among the residents of the institution. These groups meet weekly to share their lives on a deep spiritual level and to pray for each other, their families, and the other inmates and staff of the prison.

This continuing community is begun with the three-day short course in Christianity put on by a team of lay and clergy from outside of the institution. It is followed by monthly reunions which are a time of sharing, instruction, worship and fellowship. This is a time of renewal and strengthening for inmates and team members.

Cookies are distributed among the residents and staff during the three-day weekend. These home-made cookies are a tangible and vital expression of Christ's love and witness from the Christian community. YOUR WITNESS - during this life changing weekend.

Please call or write to us at: Kairos of North Carolina, Inc., P. O. Box 61193, Raleigh, NC 27661

### **Koinonia Partners, Inc.**

Koinonia Partners, Inc. is committed to nonviolence and peaceful solutions to society's problems, reconciliation among all people, Christian discipleship, and the empowerment of the poor, the neglected, and the oppressed. Address: The Prison and Jail Project, 1324 GD Highway 49 S, Americus, GA 31709, (912) 924-0391, Contact person: John Cole-Vodicka

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### **Lee County Prison Ministry, Inc.**

The Lee County Prison Ministry is a non-profit organization made up of a volunteer Executive Committee of interdenominational persons who meet monthly to direct the course of this ministry. The General Council consisting of representatives of supporting churches meets annually to elect officers to the Committee.

Support for this ministry comes from local churches, individual and corporate business and professional people and any others who have a heart and compassion for their fellow brothers and sisters, even for those in prison.

The plan for The Lee County Prison Ministry is to employ a full-time chaplain at the Sanford Correctional Center, a unit of the North Carolina Department of Corrections to minister to the needs of the inmates. Also, there is a five year plan to build, and donate to the State, a prison chapel building for use on the prison grounds, and for a half way house in Lee County to house ex-inmates who have no home.

Executive Committee: Roy Jernigan, Ron Westmoreland, Allen & Anne Chatwood, Nolan & Sarah Dahl, Gene & Ann Carmack, Pastor John Holder, Archie T. Brooks, Julian M. Bowers, Marlene Hatcher, Gerome Williams, Grady Ellis, Frank Jackson, Cliff Carr, Chaplain Roy McLamb.

### **Legal Aid Counseling and Referral**

Church members and clergy may become advocates in the court process by being present in the court room at time of appearance, talking with the attorney and explaining in detail with the defendant what actually happened in court after she-he has been escorted back to the holding cells. Court process and terminology are often difficult to understand. Advocates cannot advise defendants what to do, but they can provide information about options or make referrals that will enable and empower the defendant. Such advocacy is especially important to the first-time offender. Church members also provide a presence in the courtroom on behalf of the defendant and minister with the family when they are present.

### **Legislation**

Effective prison and jail ministries include education and action for appropriate legislation, including but not limited to efforts such as: decriminalization of morally bases laws for non-violent, victimless acts; establishment of alternative to incarceration programs whenever and wherever feasible; use of determinate sentences with allowance for good time; establishment of medication centers as alternatives to the adversarial court process. The United Methodist *Book of Resolutions* will be a reference tool for legislative advocacy.

## **Literacy Tutoring**

Many inmates/students are illiterate or have very poor reading and writing skills. Learning to read or write does many things for them:

- Develops a health and proper self-esteem
- Enables the inmate to do his/her own correspondence.
- Avoids sharing intimate and private information.
- Those who have turned their lives over to the Lord are able to read the Scriptures for themselves.
- Equips the inmate for job placement upon release.

Any reader, from young to senior citizen can learn to tutor. Wake Co. Literacy Council conducts training courses regularly for prospective tutors. Tutoring skills, once learned can be applied to any needed situation whether within prisons or other settings. Also contact the Volunteer Coordinator at your local correctional facility, training school or detention center.

An experienced tutor will always set aside a period time at the end of a session to talk about things in general. These moments often provide the opportunity for a Christian to share his/her faith. Contact: Ms. Safron (919-787-5559)

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## **Male Enrichment Programs**

The Male Enrichment Program is a program developed by the Department of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention for adjudicated male students. It is designed to teach young men the responsibilities of a man in today's society. The goals and objectives are: (1) To provide guidance and opportunities for positive use of leisure time, (2) To teach alternatives for living a healthier, more productive life, (3) To provide opportunities for positive role models and mentoring, (4) To provide on-going small group counseling services to participants, (5) To teach young men who want to know how to make a change in their lives, (6) To discuss self-trust, (7) To teach self-awareness and self-esteem: I like me., (8) To teaching setting goals, (9) To help students adapt to change, (10), To teach responsibility, (11), To teach hygiene, (12) To teach substance abuse, and (13) To help students choose a vocational and educational career. To learn more about this program for juvenile delinquents, write or call Mr. Ricky Bunch, Project Director for the Male Enrichment Program, Department of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention, 410 South Salisbury Street, Raleigh, NC 27610. Phone: 919-733-3388.

## **Mennonite Central Committee**

Address: U. S. Office of Criminal Justice, 21 South 12th Street, P. O. Box 500, Akron, PA 17501-0500

## **Ministry to Families**

Children and families are hidden victims of the practice of punishment by incarceration in the United States. Prisoners with close family ties are much less apt to recidivate than those without. The church can support access by spouses and children to jails and prisons for regular and family visits vital to maintaining familial relationships. Family Relationships are also enhanced by offering services to family members on the outside and taking children to visit their parents.

## **Multi-Purpose Homes**

Through a competitive bid process, the Office of Juvenile Justice secured the services of the Methodist Home for Children to operate five multi-purpose homes in the eastern region of the state. The Multipurpose Juvenile Home Program is designed to provide secure non-institutional alternatives to training school and secure detention. Presently there are six 8-bed residential homes featuring "live-in" house parents, a certified teacher and a full-time family counselor. They provide up to 30 days of care for juveniles in need of secure detention prior to adjudication and up to 240 days of care as a treatment disposition. The Methodist Home for Children operates homes in Edenton, New Bern, Goldsboro, Winton, and Lumberton. For more information, contact: The Methodist Home for Children, Child & Family Services, P. O. Box 10917, Raleigh, NC 27605-0917. Phone: 919/833-2834.

## **Musical Programs**

Contact the Volunteer Coordinator at your local correctional facility, the chaplain at youth development centers or the administrative services assistant at the detention center. Contact should be made through the prison chaplain or superintendent.

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## **N.A. Groups**

Contact the Volunteer Coordinator at your local correctional facility.

## **Newgate Ministries (United Methodist Men)**

Newgate Groups minister to persons being released from prison, persons given alternative sentences, spouses and children of prisoners, and victims of crime.

## **North Carolina Council of Churches**

The Criminal Justice Committee of the North Carolina Council of Churches has as one of its goals to advocate reform. There has been a long-standing and continuous concern under able leadership. For information write Sister Evelyn Mattern, SFCC, North Carolina Council of Churches, United Methodist Building, 1307 Glenwood Ave., Suite 162, Raleigh, NC 27605. Telephones: 919/828-6501 or 828-6542.

## **North Carolina Division of Alcoholism and Chemical Dependency Programs**

The Division of Alcoholism and Chemical Dependency Programs is responsible for administering substance abuse programs in the Department of Correction. These programs include: 1) offender treatment programs and services; 2) offender treatment, recovery programs database and tracking; 3) employee assistance programs; 4) curriculum development and training; 5) chemical dependency research, development, and evaluation; and 6) treatment improvement planning and implementation. The Division administers four types of treatment programs.

### **North Carolina Division of Community Corrections**

The Division of Community Corrections, formerly the Division of Adult Probation and Parole, provides a broad range of programs to convicted offenders who are not incarcerated. In FY 98-99 these programs ranged from traditional probation supervision to the administration of the IMPACT boot camp program. The Division also assumed the administration of the State-County Criminal Justice Partnership Program, which provides grant funds for locally managed community based sanction programs. These programs are designed to assure offender accountability in the community, to divert lower-risk offenders from prison, and to offer rehabilitative opportunities to offenders. The Division also provides supervision to parolees, post-release supervision to former inmates who are eligible under Structured Sentencing, and provides supervision of defendants' compliance with deferred prosecution agreements.

### **North Carolina Division of Prisons**

The Division of Prisons is charged with the direct care and supervision of inmates. As of June 30, 1999 the Division operates 83 prison institutions and units and has other institutions under construction. Additionally, inmates are housed in several contractual facilities operated by North Carolina county governments, private for profit, and private non-profit entities. Contact Division Coordinator of Chaplaincy Services, 831 W. Morgan Street, Raleigh, NC 27603. Telephone 919-733-3226.

### **N.C. Prison and Jail Project**

Correct information and helpful conferences are provided by the North Carolina prison and Jail Project. They keep important issues before us and have a reputation for careful examination of trends. Address: P. O. Box 309, Durham, NC 27701-0309. Phone: (919) 682-1149

### **North Carolina Sentencing and Policy Advisory Commission**

The North Carolina Sentencing and Policy Advisory Commission provides education and informational source for justice system policy and practice. Address: P. O. Box 2472, Raleigh, NC 27602. Phone: 919-733-9543.

### **North Carolina Victim Assistance Network**

North Carolina Victim Assistance Network is a nonprofit 501(c)(3) organization founded in 1986, promoting the rights and needs of crime victims by educating North Carolina's citizens and public policy leaders about the devastating impact that crime has on our

society. Serving our members as a statewide network, we provide information on over 1,500 victim services and criminal justice agencies, victim assistance programs, and advocacy groups. Our mission is to provide support and information for crime victims across our state and to advocate for their fair treatment. In everything we do for those we serve, we will conduct ourselves with fairness, dignity and compassion. Address: P. O. Box 28557, Raleigh, NC 27611-8557, Phone: 800-346-5068, 919-831-2857 – Fax: 919-831-0824

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### **Office Assistance**

Contact the Chaplain or Volunteer Coordinator at your local correctional facility, the chaplain at youth development centers, or the administrative services assistant at the detention center.

### **Oklahoma Conference, Director of Prison Ministry**

For local church and Annual Conference prison ministry development. Address: Director of Prison Ministry, Oklahoma Conference, The United Methodist Church, 2420 North Blackwelder, Oklahoma City, OK 73106-1499, (405) 525-2252

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### **Peace with Justice Sunday**

#### **Pen Pal**

Ask about becoming a pen pal or sending cards during holidays. Contact the Chaplain or Volunteer Coordinator at your local correctional facility, the chaplain at the training school, or the coordinator of volunteers at the detention center.

### **Pre-Post Release**

The first six months after release are crucial. After being in a controlled environment where most decisions are made by someone else, ordinary tasks are difficult to perform. Congregations can provide a supportive presence during the period of incarceration with follow-up post release, referral services of job testing, training, counseling, financial budgeting programs, providing appropriate clothing, referral to substance abuse programs, providing spiritual support groups for persons who wish to participate, adopt a prisoner program, and others.

### **Presbyterian Criminal Justice Program**

The Presbyterian Criminal Justice Program seeks to proclaim the good news of Christ and to manifest the justice of God (the mission of the Presbyterian Church). Address: Social Justice and Peacemaking Unit, Presbyterian Church, 100 Witherspoon Street, Louisville, KY 40202-1396, (502) 569-5810

## **Prison Aftercare Christian Ministries**

Prison Aftercare Christian Ministries is an interdenominational, inter-racial organization of Christian men and women whose basic mission purpose is to provide shelter, food, transportation and spiritual support to Christian women leaving prison.

This much needed program is in its beginning stages and would provide a wonderful opportunity to any individual or perhaps a Stephen Minister to help give Christian women a second chance. Volunteers will be needed in many capacities including Prayer Committee, sponsoring a family (Adopt a Resident of the Aftercare Home), financial support, and clerical assistance. Contact: Kathy Ford (919) 847-8049.

## **Prison Fellowship**

Launched in 1976 as a small movement of Christians committed to helping prisoners, ex-prisoners, and their families change their lives for the better, Prison Fellowship has grown into a multifaceted organization encompassing 43,000 volunteers. This growing volunteer network has enabled PF's programs to spread to more than 90 percent of state and federal prisons in all 50 states.

PF's volunteer base and programming are managed by more than 50 field directors, whose tireless efforts are supported by a national office staff team in Reston, Virginia. Prison Fellowship's high-quality programming, dedicated professional staff, and well-trained volunteers have won the trust and involvement of inmates, as well as the respect and endorsement of corrections official across the country. PF provides volunteer training, In-Prison Seminars, Recidivism Study, Angel Tree, an *Inside Journal*, Neighbors Who Care, community service projects, and Justice Fellowship. PF was founded by Chuck Colson, former special counsel to President Richard Nixon, who was released from prison in 1975. Contact Tammy Phillips, P. O. Box 19846, Raleigh, NC 27619. Telephone: 919-781-8116. Main address: P. O. Box 17500, Washington, DC 20041-0500

## **Prison MATCH of North Carolina, Inc.**

The single purpose of Prison MATCH is to intervene in the cycle of children following their mothers' path to prison by recognizing and tending to the children's unique emotional needs. The objectives which MATCH has set to achieve this goal are: (1) To lessen a child's sense of abandonment by improving the frequency of visits with his mother, (2) to lessen a child's fears about visiting by providing a safe environment in which a more normal mom-child interaction can occur, and (3) to enhance to quality of the mother-child interaction by providing parenting classes and positive role modeling for the mothers to emulate. Address: Prison MATCH of North Carolina, Inc., P. O. Box 14469, Raleigh, NC 27620-4469 - (919) 828-4767 - Nancy Moody, Director

## **Prison Ministries Action and Study Guide**

The interagency committee on prison ministry/prison reform guide was designed for use by conference committees on prison ministry, congregations, and other persons seeking to start or enhance prison ministries. It is a cooperative effort of representatives from the national agencies, commissions and others groups. Work and preparation on the guide was sponsored

by the Board of Discipleship. If you are interested in more information contact: Alyne JoAnn Eslinger, Prison Ministry Action and Study Guide, P. O. Box 840, Nashville, Tennessee 37202.

## **Probation and Parole Services**

Probation and Parole Services supervises approximately 120,000 offenders. Contact your local NC Division of Adult Probation and Parole Office. Our reports show that after prison ministry is needed as much as ministry in prison. Churches can play an important role in giving another chance to those who want it. Vicki Sigmon is now helping Yokefellows in this ministry. She can speak to your interested groups and guide them as they sponsor persons being released from prison. Write her at Box 120094, Salem College Station, Winston-Salem, NC 27108. Phone: 910/724-9801. Prison Fellowship can also assist. Phone: 910/781-8116.

## **Prodigals Community**

Prodigals Community is a Christian "After Care" community providing residential programs with a spiritual emphasis for those self-defeating behaviors including substance abuse and crime. Contact Person: Jeff Coppage, P. O. Box 10141, Winston-Salem, NC 27108.

## **Project Nehemiah (A Crime Reduction Project)**

Project Nehemiah, Inc., is a three-phase effort to REACH, RESTORE, and RECONCILE the men at Wake Correctional Center, Raleigh, and to help them turn from crime to lives of accomplishment and contribution.

Phase I: The Chaplaincy at WCC will select men who desire to participate in this Christian based outreach ministry.

Phase II: Project Nehemiah provides a life-changing training program that each participant completes prior to release.

Phase III: Seek churches that will establish a relationship with the inmate while still incarcerated, welcome him into their congregations after his release, and provide aftercare support in personal character development, employment, housing, transportation and medical care, as needed.

Wake Correctional Center (WCC) is the largest minimum custody facility in North Carolina. Many men leave prison with no support or assistance. Many of them flounder helplessly in their efforts to "walk the walk from crime to contribution." They need our help.

Project Nehemiah, an ecumenical prison ministry joined the ranks of God's people arrayed against the crime that plagues and threatens to destroy the world. Project Nehemiah specifically targets those who choose to do crime! The thesis of this work grows from the explanation the Apostle Paul gave in his second letter to the congregation at Corinth where he explained that God is reconciling the world to Himself, and has committed to us (disciples of Christ) the ministry of reconciliation. Project Nehemiah also bases its work on Christ's explanation that one of the works God anointed Him to do was to free the prisoners (see Luke 4 and Isaiah 61). Finally, Paul wrote in his letter to the Hebrews that Christians re to consider prisoners (those in bonds) as if bound with them. Reaching, restoring and reconciling broken lives is the goal of Project Nehemiah. Address: Wake Correctional Center, 1000 Rock Quarry Rd., Raleigh, NC 27610 - 919-733-7988.

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## **Raising Seed Money**

Money is needed for many aspects of jail and prison ministries: to establish innovative alternative programs to be used instead of jails/prisons; to provide advocacy services for pretrial defendants in the courts; to provide support services for persons who are being released from jail/prison; to provide supportive services for the families and children of prisoners; to provide relevant literature for inmates. United Methodists are able to motivate others to give and become involved, including using members' access to sources for funding through personal and business contacts in the community.

## **Recognition of Different Ministries**

Examples: State, County, Federal, Direct Ministry, Ministry to Families, Ministry Following Release, Ministry to Victims of Crimes, Ministry to Correctional Officers and Staff, Ministry to Juvenile Offenders, Ministry to At-Risk Children and Youth, Witnessing to Ex-Offenders, Etc.

## **Recreation Aide**

Contact the Volunteer Coordinator at your local correctional facility.

## **Reentry Life Plan**

Reentry Life Plan, a program under the auspices of Prison Fellowship, was developed to teach basic life skills to those nearing release from the North Carolina prison system. It has been used successfully with youth at Sandhill Youth Center in McCain. Topics covered include the following:

- How to make wise choices
- Setting realistic/attainable goals
- Building self esteem
- "Garbage Dump" thinking
- Power of our words
- Leisure time
- Identifying job skills
- Job sources
- Job Applications, Resumes, Cover Letters
- Successful job interviews
- Budgeting and credit
- Building healthy relationships
- Support systems in the community/how to access
- Support services in the community/how to access

The program teaches Biblically-based principles for life, but this is not an evangelistic program. It is approved by the NC Department of Corrections. The program has had participants of

various faiths to complete the classes with no problems. Instructors have completed at least 28 hours of training.

It takes 36 hours of class time to cover all the material. The program concludes with a Family Seminar and a big “hoopla” graduation complete with certificates. Each participant invites at least one family member, depending on the space available for the events. It is usually held on a Saturday and includes lunch between the Family Seminary and the graduation.

To learn more about the Reentry Life Plan, you may contact: Richard Payne, NC Reentry Director; Terry Closner, Assistant; Angeline Breitenbach, Aftercare Assistant, P. O. Box 6279, High Point, NC 27262, 910-886-2500.

## **Reform Efforts**

Reform efforts should initiate through Church and Society and the North Carolina Council of Churches.

## **Restorative Justice**

We at Prison Fellowship have a vision we want to share with you: a vision for justice that reaches beyond mere crime and punishment. It's a vision based on ancient biblical principles and truths that are largely ignored but amazingly relevant to the crime crisis that is crippling our nation.

Let us introduce you to what is called restorative justice, which opens doors to restored lives and community peace. Every aspect of the multifaceted ministry of Prison Fellowship--meeting the spiritual, emotional, and material needs of people suffering at all points of the cycle of crime and promoting criminal justice reform--is rooted in the principles of restorative justice.

Though Prison Fellowship did not coin the phrase restorative justice, the staff of Justice Fellowship, the Prison Fellowship division focusing its attention on criminal justice reform, has been instrumental in laying groundwork for restorative justice thinking. Address: Prison Fellowship, P. O. Box 17500, Washington, DC 20041-0500.

## **Rings of Fellowship**

Rings of Fellowship is a voluntary program of spiritual growth offered on each Youth Development Center campus through the leadership of the Department of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention's Chaplains office. Each “Ring of Fellowship” is limited to no more than 15 youth and is led by a team of trained volunteers recruited by the Chaplains from local churches. Each group meets once a week for a minimum of 30 weeks to complete the entire Rings curriculum. Since the program began in the fall of 2003, 13 separate Rings have been organized on all five Youth Development Center campuses and over 150 youth have volunteered to be active in the program. For more information on this exciting new program go the [www.discipebibleoutreach.org](http://www.discipebibleoutreach.org) and click on the Rings of Fellowship ministry.

## **Rock of Ages Prison Ministry**

This program is under the direction of Joseph H. Long, North Carolina State Director, P. O. Box 205, Maiden, NC 28650, 704-732-1023

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### **Safekeepers**

Defendants, who have not been convicted, may be admitted to prison, if being held in a local jail could pose a danger to them for other jail inmates, or they present a threat to others, or for medical care.

### **Social Principles**

"In the love of Christ who came to save those who are lost and vulnerable, we urge the creation of genuinely new systems for the care and support of victims of crime and for rehabilitation that will restore, preserve and nurture the humanity of the imprisoned. For the same reason, we oppose capital punishment and urge its elimination from all criminal codes." -- from Section V-F, "Crime and Rehabilitation."

### **Southern Coalition on Jails & Prisons, Inc.**

Address: P. O. Box 120044, Nashville, TN 37212

### **Southeastern Correctional Ministry**

The Southeastern Correctional Ministry is a Christian inter-denominational evangelical outreach to men, women and youth in the "jail" correctional process. T serves Hertford and Northampton counties in North Carolina. Address: Southeastern Correctional Ministry, 40 Kings Way, Hampton, VA 23669. Phone: 804-723-5626.

### **Southeastern Jurisdiction Criminal Justice and Mercy Ministries Fellowship**

For local church and Annual Conference prison ministry development. Address: P. O. Box 237, Lake Junaluska, NC 28745

### **Special Emphases**

Examples of Experiences of Grace: Walk to Emmaus, Marriage Enrichment, Etc.

### **Special Retreats**

Local congregations can develop programs that provide opportunity for volunteers to participate in ecumenical, religiously-oriented retreats, where person from the outside spend one to three days at a time inside in the institution in a group setting. These are group spiritual journeys and are voluntary on the part of the prisoners. Volunteers are trained and screened by the chaplain's office.

### **Summit House**

The Summit House Program strengthens the family by intervening in the lives of non-violent women offenders and their children. Comprehensive services are administered to the women and children through the efforts of a public private partnership in a highly structured and controlled environment. The program strives to break the cycle of crime. Summit House also advocates nationally for community-based sentencing programs. The theme for Summit House is: "Keeping families together, changing women's and children's lives."

Addresses: Summit House - Raleigh, P. O. Box 27284, Raleigh, NC 27611-7284. Phone: 919-755-0733, FAX: 919-755-9560. Summit House - State Office - 612-B W. Friendly Avenue, Greensboro, NC 27401. Phone: 910-691-9888, 800-294-0189, fax 910-691-0903, e-mail: smthouse@nr.infi.net

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### **Tar Roanoke Chaplaincy**

Christian inter-denominational Jail and Prison outreach ministry serving Nash and Warren counties. Address: Chaplain Horace Ward, P. O. Box 6226, Rocky Mount, NC 27802. Phone: 919-459-9922.

### **Transition Aftercare Network (TAN)**

The vision of TAN is to train and equip ex-inmates with the necessary skills and resources to become viable and productive members of society. The mission of TAN is to train churches and ministry organizations to provide aftercare to ex-inmates released to their county throughout the state of North Carolina. Address: Chaplain James Prince, NC Dept. of Corrections, Division of Prisons, 4263 MSC, Raleigh, NC 27699. E-mail: jprince@doc.state.nc.us

### **The United Methodist Publishing House**

Publishes and distributes all official publications, forms, and records of the denomination; publishes books, videotapes, and audiotapes for United Methodists and other Christian clergy and laity; publishes general church and Christian education supplies; and operates the Cokesbury retail stores and toll-free ordering service (800) 672-1789; Spanish language resources, (800) 732-7881; Telecommunications Device for the Deaf (TDD/TT), (800) 227-4091. Resources on Disciple Bible Study. Address: 201 Eighth Avenue South, P. O. Box 801, Nashville, TN 37202-0801, (615) 749-6000, Fax (615) 749-6079

### **The Yokefellow Center**

Address: 36 N. Queen Street, P. O. Box 482, Rising Sun, MO 21911, (401) 685-2661

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### **United Methodist Jail Ministries**

Cellblock Worship Services enable inmates to conduct their own worship services inside the cellblocks of the jail on Sundays when their blocks would not be attending worship services in

the chapel. Address: Faith United Methodist Church, 3096 West 62nd Street, Indianapolis, IN 46268, (317) 293-4660

### **Urgent Need for Volunteers**

Justice ministry volunteering is not for everyone. Churches must be willing to provide training and orientation for volunteers which is carefully planned and well organized. Ecumenical and denominational resources should be used. Training should include some on-site experience in courts as well as opportunities to know the rules of institutions involved, opportunities to learn about the experience of people being served, as well as support systems for the volunteers. Effective ministry recognizes that visiting persons in jail/prison, while motivated by the love of Christ, is not for the purpose of imposing one's faith in Christ on a captive audience or a needy person. Faith works through love by sharing friendship and redemptive fellowship with offenders, victims, families of both, and all concerned.

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### **Victims**

Victims feel twice victimized: first by the victimizer and second by an insensitive criminal justice system. The church may establish a victim crisis center or become involved in one already established. The presence of a friend during these particular crises is invaluable. Churches must realize that inmates and their families are also victims. In particular, most incarcerated women have often been victims of abuse.

### **Victim Assistance Program(s)**

Some of the most neglected persons are the victims of crime. We recommend that local church pastors and Councils on Ministries study their situation and help develop a ministry to victims. In Greensboro, a United Methodist woman, Mrs. Jane Cauthrn, directs a program called "Turning Point." It began as a ministry to victims of child abuse, sex abuse, rape, and spouse abuse, but it now includes victims of all crimes. There is a training program for volunteers and speakers to come from consciousness raising. Call or write Turning-Point, 1301 N. Elm St., Greensboro, NC 27401. Phone: 910/373-1345.

Another victim assistance/rape crisis ministry is offered in Mecklenburg County. The program is headquartered in the police department building but operated by United Family Services. The address is 825 E. Fourth St., Room 205, Charlotte, NC 28202. Phone 704/335-2190.

### **Volunteer**

Seek volunteer persons to participate in in-prison ministries in the state prison where feasible (Bible study, tutorial, one-on-one visitation, craft instruction).

### **Volunteers in Prevention, Probation, and Prison**

Address: 527 N. Main, Royal Oak, MI 40861, (313) 389-8550

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### **Women's Advocate Ministry in Courts and Jails**

The Women's Advocate Ministry in Courts and Jails provide a supportive presence for the woman in need, beginning with her arrest and continuing through the court process, incarceration and re-entry into society. Address: 55 Edgecombe Avenue, New York, NY 10030, (212) 862-0124, Contact person: Annie M. Bovian.

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### **Yokefellow Prison Ministry of North Carolina, Inc.**

Yokefellow Prison Ministry offers Christian men and women, who have been trained in the Yokefellow ministry, the opportunity to enter a local prison weekly or as often as possible to share the Good News of Jesus. Working in small groups of 2-3 Yokefellows and 3-5 inmates, they witness through careful listening, loving attention and personal relationships, bringing Christ to bear on the particular needs, dreams, questions and problems of the inmate. Address: Yokefellow Prison Ministry of NC, Inc., P. O. Box 10094, Winston-Salem, NC 27108, (336) 724-9801.

### **Youth For Christ, International (Youth Guidance)**

Youth for Christ, an organization which began in the 40's with Billy Graham as their first full-time evangelist, has a unique ministry to troubled youth. Youth Guidance works with at-risk young people around the world. It began in 1951 when a YFC staff person began counseling young people locked up in juvenile detention facilities.

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**United Methodist Districts**  
Prison Ministry Opportunities by Districts

**Burlington District**

(Alamance, Caswell, and Orange Counties)

Caswell Correctional Center (Medium Custody)  
Chaplain Joseph Lenna (Community Funded Chaplain)  
444 County Home Road, P. O. Box 217  
Yanceyville, NC 27379  
336-694-4531

Dan River Prison Work Farm (Minimum Custody)  
Chaplain Bruce Hill (State Funded)  
P. O. Box 820, 981 Murray Rd.  
Yanceyville, NC 27379  
336-694-1583

Orange Correctional Center (Minimum Custody)  
Rev. Ken Barker (Community Funded Volunteer)  
P. O. Box 1149, 2110 Clarence Walter Rd.  
Hillsborough, NC 27278  
919-732-9301

**Durham District**

(Durham, Granville, Person, and Vance Counties)

C. A. Dillon Youth Development Center (Maximum - Delinquent Youth)  
Chaplain Christopher Houston (State Funded)  
Chaplain Ed Pope (assistant)  
100 Dillon Drive  
Butner, NC 27509  
919-575-3166

Durham Correctional Center (Minimum Custody)  
Chaplain Barbara Morton, Volunteer Chaplain  
3900 Guess Road  
Durham, NC 27705  
919-477-2314

Federal Correctional Institute  
Chaplain  
P. O. Box 1000  
Butner, NC  
919-575-4541

Polk Youth Institution (Max/Close/Medium Custody)  
Chaplain Thomas Eldridge (State Funded)  
Chaplain Melvin Bullock (State Funded)  
P. O. Box 2500, 1001 Veazey Road  
Butner, NC 27509  
919-575-3070

Umstead Correctional Center (Minimum Custody)  
No Chaplain  
P. O. Box 106, West D Street  
Butner, NC 27509  
919-575-3174

**Elizabeth City District**

(Bertie, Camden, Chowan, Currituck, Dare, Gates, Hertford, Pasquotank, Perquimans, Tyrrell, and Washington Counties)

Gates Correctional Center (Minimum Custody)  
No Chaplain  
P. O. Box 385, Hwy 158 East  
Gatesville, NC 27938  
252-357-0778

Pasquotank Correctional Institution (Close Custody)  
Chaplain Barry Taylor (Contract Chaplain)  
Chaplain Samuel Forbes, (Volunteer Chaplain)  
527 Commerce Drive  
Elizabeth City, NC 27906-5005  
252-331-4881

Perquimans Regional Juvenile Detention Center  
Michael Cayton, Director  
Program Coordinator  
125 Jessup Street  
Hertford, NC 27944  
252-426-2541

**Fayetteville District**

(Cumberland, Harnett, Hoke, and Sampson Counties)

Cumberland Regional Juvenile Detention Center  
Carol Hessenflow, Director  
Program Coordinator  
2089 Draughone Street  
Fayetteville, NC  
910-486-1411

Harnett Correctional Institute (Medium Custody)  
Montgomery Kirk (State Funded)  
P. O. Box 1569, 1210 E. McNeill St.  
Lillington, NC 27546  
910-893-2751

Hoke Correctional Institution (Medium Custody)  
Blake Bennett (State Funded)  
Box 70, Old Hwy 211  
Raeford, NC 28376-0700  
910-944-7612

McCain Correctional Hospital (Minimum Custody)  
Chaplain Neil Smith (State Funded)  
P. O. Box 5118  
McCain, NC 28361-5118  
910-944-2351

Sampson Correctional Center (Medium and Minimum Custody)  
No Chaplain  
P. O. Box 1109, 700 NW Blvd-Hwy 421 North  
Clinton, NC 28328  
910-592-2151

**Goldsboro District**

(Duplin, Johnston, and Wayne Counties)

Duplin Correctional Center (Minimum Custody)  
Chaplain JoAnne Barnhardt (Volunteer Chaplain)  
P. O. Box 780, Highway #11  
Kenansville, NC 28349  
910-296-0315

Johnston Correctional Institution (Medium Custody)  
Chaplain Dade Sherman (State Funded)  
2465 US 70 West  
Smithfield, NC 27577  
919-934-8386

Neuse Correctional Institution (Minimum Custody)  
Chaplain Patricia Thomas (State Funded)  
Caller Box 8009, 701 Stevens Mill Road  
Goldsboro, NC 27530  
919-731-2023

Wayne Correctional Center (Medium Custody)  
No Chaplain  
Caller Box 8011  
700 Stevens Mill Road  
Goldsboro, NC 27530-5911  
919-734-5580

**Greenville District**

(Beaufort, Greene, Hyde, Lenoir, Martin, and Pitt Counties)

Craven Correctional Center  
P. O. Box 839, Alligator Rd.  
Vanceboro, NC 28586  
Chaplain Patricia Downtin (State Funded) – (Active Duty)  
Chaplain John H. Pierce (Volunteer Chaplain)  
252-244-3337

Dobbs Youth Development Center (Juvenile Delinquents)  
Glenn Elmore, Director  
Chaplain James Cavanaugh (State Funded)  
3060 Dobbs Farm Road  
Kinston, NC 28504  
919-522-0511

Eastern Correctional Institution (Close Custody)  
Chaplain Philip Wood (State Funded)  
P. O. Box 215, Hwy 903  
Highway 903  
Maury, NC 28544  
252-747-8101

Greene Correctional Center (Minimum Custody)  
Chaplain Lonnie Cook (State Funded)  
2699 Highway 903, P. O. Box 39  
Maury, NC 28544  
252-747-3676

Hyde Correctional Institution (Medium Custody)  
Chaplain Stephen Green (State Funded)  
P. O. Box 278,620 Prison Road  
Swan Quarter, NC 27885  
252-926-1810

Pitt Regional Juvenile Detention Center (Juveniles)  
Stanley Melvin, Director  
Program Coordinator  
Route 15, Box 1  
Greenville, NC 27834  
252-803-6590

**New Bern District**

(Carteret, Craven, Jones, Onslow, and Pamlico Counties)

Pamlico Correctional Institution (Medium Custody)  
Clinical Chaplain II (Vacant)  
Chaplain Ernest Stilley (Volunteer Chaplain)  
601 North Third Street  
Bayboro, NC 28515  
252-745-3074

Carteret Correctional Center (Minimum Custody)  
Chaplain John Steen (Contract Chaplain - 20 hrs.)  
Vivian Wilson (Volunteer Chaplain)  
P. O. Box 220, 1084 Orange Street  
Newport, NC 28570  
252-223-5100

**Raleigh District**

(Franklin, Vance, Wake, and Warren Counties)

Central Prison (Maximum)  
Chaplain Randall J. Speer (State Funded)  
Chaplain Robert Montgomery (State Funded)  
1300 Western Blvd., 4285 MSC  
Raleigh, NC 2799-4285  
919-733-0800

Franklin Correctional Center (Medium)  
No Chaplain  
P. O. Box 155  
Bunn, NC 27508  
919-496-6119

N.C. Correctional Institution for Women - NCCIW - (Close)  
Clinical Chaplain II (Vacant)  
Chaplain Adrienne Denson (State Funded)  
1034 Bragg Street, 4287 MSC  
Raleigh, NC 27699-4287  
919-733-4340

Raleigh Correctional Center for Women (Minimum)  
Chaplain Caroline Proctor (Community Funded Chaplain)  
Chaplain Nathaniel Boykin (Community Funded Chaplain)  
Chaplain Sarah Harris (Community Funded Chaplain)  
1201 South State St.. MSC 4286  
Raleigh, NC 27699-4286  
919-733-4248

Wake Correctional Center (Minimum)  
Chaplain Bill Finch (Volunteer Chaplain)  
Chaplain Craig Campbell (Volunteer Chaplain)  
Chaplain John Jernigan (Volunteer Chaplain)  
1000 Rock Quarry Road, 4288 MSC  
Raleigh, NC 27610  
919-733-7988

Wake County Jail  
Raleigh, NC

Wake Regional Juvenile Detention Center  
Sheila Davis, Director  
Program Coordinator  
700 Beacon Lake Drive  
Raleigh, NC 27610  
919-212-3104

Warren Correctional Center (Medium)  
Chaplain Joseph Johnson (State Funded)  
P. O. Box 399, SR 1103 Collins Road  
Manson, NC 27553  
252-456-3400

**Rockingham District**  
(Richmond, Robeson, and Scotland Counties)

Lumberton Correctional Institution (Medium Custody)  
Chaplain Steve Enloe (State Funded)  
P. O. Box 1649, 75 Legend Rd.  
Lumberton, NC 28359-1649  
910-618-5574

Morrison Correctional Institution (Medium)  
Chaplain Melvin Solomon (State Funded)  
Chaplain Nagako Mori (Contract Chaplain)  
Chaplain Kristie Fisher-Standford (Volunteer Chaplain)  
P. O. Box 169, McDonald Church Rd.  
Hoffman, NC 28347  
910-281-3161

Richmond Regional Detention Center  
Wendell McLaughlin, Interim Director  
Program Coordinator  
269 Cartledge Creek Road  
Rockingham, NC 28379  
819-997-9196

Roberson Correctional Center (Minimum)  
No Chaplain  
P. O. Box 1979, Hwy 71  
Lumberton, NC 28359  
910-618-5535

**Rocky Mount District**

(Edgecombe, Halifax, Northampton, Nash, and Wilson Counties)

Caledonia Correctional Institution (Close Custody)  
Chaplain Henry Tysor (State Funded)  
P. O. Box 137, Hwy 561 West  
Tillery, NC 27887  
919-826-5621

Fountain Correctional Center for Women (Minimum)  
Chaplain Ann Coley (Volunteer Chaplain)  
Chaplain James Coley (Community Funded)  
Chaplain Vaneese Edgerton (Volunteer Chaplain)  
P. O. Box 1435, 827 Fountain Rd.  
Rocky Mount, NC 27802  
919-442-9712

Nash Correctional Institution (Close Custody)  
Chaplain Henry Gregory (State Funded)  
P. O. Box 600, 2869 US Hwy 64 Alt.  
Nashville, NC 27856  
919-459-4455

Odom Correctional Institution (Close Custody)  
Chaplain George Lajueness (State Funded)  
485 Odom Prison Road  
Jackson, NC 27845  
919-459-5611

Tillery Correctional Center (Minimum)  
Chaplain Gary C. Ogburn (State Funded)  
P. O. Box 222, 1141 State Rd.  
Tillery, NC 27887  
919/826-4165

**Sanford District**

(Chatham, Lee, Moore, and Montgomery Counties)

Samarkand Youth Development Center (Juvenile Delinquents)

Chaplain James Wicker (State Funded)

P. O. Box 96, State Road 1143

Eagle Springs, NC 27242

910-673-3756

Sanford Correctional Center (Minimum)

P. O. Box 2490, 417 Advancement Center Road

Sanford, NC 27330

910-776-4325

Southern Correctional Institution (Close Custody)

Chaplain Priscilla Durkin (State Funded)

Chaplain Arlester Simpson (Contract Chaplain)

Chaplain Cheryl Allison-Perry (Volunteer Chaplain)

P. O. Box 786, 272 Glen Rd.

Troy, NC 27371

910-572-3784

**Wilmington District**

(Bladen, Brunswick, Columbus, Pender, and Sampson Counties)

Bladen Correctional Center (Minimum)

No Chaplain

5853 U.S. 701 North

Elizabethtown, NC 28337

910-862-3107

Columbus Correctional Institution (Medium)

Chaplain Gary Bower (State Funded)

P. O. Box 8, 1255 Prison Camp Rd.

Brunswick, NC 28424-0008

910-642-3285

New Hanover Correctional Center (Minimum)

Chaplain Atwell Brookshire (Volunteer Chaplain)

P. O. Box 240

Wilmington, NC 28402

910-251-2666

New Hanover Regional Juvenile Detention Center

Jim Speight, Director

Program Coordinator

3830 Juvenile Center Road

Castle Hayne, NC 28429

910-675-0594

Pender Correctional Institution (Medium Custody)  
Chaplain James Spiritosanto (State Funded)  
James Joseph (Contract Chaplain)  
P. O. Box 1058, 906 Penderlea Rd.  
Burgaw, NC 28425  
910-259-8735

Wilmington Residential Facility for Women (Minimum Custody)  
No Chaplain  
P. O. Box 4880, 76 Darlington Avenue  
Wilmington, NC 28406  
910-251-2671

**Chaplains**

S - State Funded

C - Community Funded

CT - Contract

V - Volunteer

## **Churches in the North Carolina Annual Conference Involved in Prison Ministry**

**(The following United Methodist Churches involved in prison, jail, youth and/or juvenile delinquent ministries in the North Carolina Annual Conference. Please share this information with any member of the Conference Committee on Criminal Justice and Mercy Ministries.)**

### **Burlington District:**

Amity United Methodist Church - Chapel Hill  
Disciple Bible Study

Bellefont United Methodist Church  
Disciple Bible Study

Bellefont United Methodist Women – Burlington  
MATCH

Burlington District United Methodist Women – Burlington  
MATCH

Cedar Cliff United Methodist Women – Circle #1 – Graham

Christ United Methodist Church  
Disciple Bible Study (Orange)

Davis St. United Methodist Women – Burlington  
MATCH

Faith United Methodist Women – Burlington  
MATCH

First United Methodist Women – Circle #5 – Elon  
MATCH

First United Methodist Church – Graham  
MATCH

First United Methodist Women – Graham  
MATCH

Front Street United Methodist Church – Burlington  
MATCH

Hebron United Methodist Church, Mebane, NC  
Alamance Correctional Institute: Music Ministry (4 times a year)

Mebane United Methodist Church  
MATCH

Mt. Herman United Methodist Women – Circle #1 – Graham  
MATCH

Shiloh United Methodist Women – Elon  
MATCH

University United Methodist Church  
MATCH

**Durham District:**

Andrews Chapel United Methodist Women – Durham  
MATCH

Asbury Temple United Methodist Women – Durham  
MATCH

Banks-Grove United Methodist Churches - Durham  
MATCH

Banks United Methodist Women – Creedmoor  
MATCH

Calvary United Methodist Church -- Durham  
Prison Visitation

City Road United Methodist Women – Henderson  
MATCH

Creedmoor United Methodist Women – Creedmoor  
MATCH

Duke Memorial United Methodist Church  
MATCH

Epworth United Methodist Women – Susannah Circle – Durham  
MATCH

Flat Rock United Methodist Church - Henderson  
MATCH

Flat Rock United Methodist Women – Henderson  
MATCH

Grace-CaVel United Methodist churches  
Disciple Bible Study

Lakewood United Methodist Church – Durham  
MATCH

Middleburg United Methodist Church  
MATCH

Mt. Bethel United Methodist Women – Bahama  
MATCH

Mt. Sylvan United Methodist Church - Durham  
Disciple Bible Study

Mt. Sylvan United Methodist Women – Lester Gold Smith Circle - Durham  
MATCH

Reconciliation United Methodist Church  
Disciple Bible Study

University United Methodist Women – Durham  
MATCH

Warren’s Grove United Methodist Church – Roxboro  
MATCH

**Elizabeth City District:**

City Road United Methodist Church – Elizabeth City  
MATCH

City Road United Methodist Women – Elizabeth City  
MATCH

Creswell United Methodist Church

Duck United Methodist Church - Duck  
Prison Ministry

Hatteras United Methodist Church – Hatteras  
MATCH

McBride United Methodist Church – South Mills  
MATCH

Poplar Branch United Methodist Church  
MATCH

South Mills Charge: - South Mills  
Disciple Bible Study (Pasquotank)

Trinity United Methodist Church – Currituck  
MATCH

**Fayetteville District:**

Angier United Methodist Church – Angier  
MATCH

Christ Church United Methodist Women – Fayetteville  
MATCH

Cumberland United Methodist Women – Fayetteville  
MATCH

Gardners United Methodist Church – Fayetteville  
MATCH

Haymount United Methodist Church – Fayetteville  
MATCH

Hays Street United Methodist Church - Fayetteville  
MATCH

Hope Mills United Methodist Church – Hope Mills  
MATCH

John Wesley United Methodist Church  
Yokefellow Ministry - Sandhills Youth Center

Parkers Grove United Methodist Church – Erwin  
MATCH

Wesley Heights United Methodist Church  
MATCH

**Goldsboro District:**

First United Methodist Church - Raeford  
Epiphany

Haw Branch United Methodist Church  
Disciple Bible Study

Mt. Olive United Methodist Church - Mt. Olive  
Visits, Training, & Resources

New Hope United Methodist Church – Goldsboro  
MATCH

North Carolina Conference United Methodist Women – Goldsboro  
MATCH

Salem United Methodist Church  
MATCH

Sanders United Methodist Church  
MATCH

St. Luke United Methodist Church  
MATCH

Walker Memorial United Methodist Church – LaGrange  
MATCH

Warsaw United Methodist Church  
Angel Tree

Whitley Memorial United Methodist Women – Smithfield  
MATCH

**Greenville District”**

Bath United Methodist Charge  
Hyde County Correctional Unit

Calvary Memorial United Methodists Women – Snow Hill  
MATCH

Hookerton United Methodist Church  
Ministries at Eastern Correctional  
Ministries at Greene Correctional

Jarvis Memorial United Methodist Women – Circle #6 – Greenville  
MATCH

St. James United Methodist Church - Greenville  
Disciple Bible Study  
MATCH

St. James United Methodist Church - Tarboro  
United Methodist Men - provide reading materials to Edgecombe Jail  
(emphasis on children's books)  
Disciple Bible Study (Mary Frances Center)  
Disciple Bible Study (Craven)

Vanceboro United Methodist Church  
Member: Community Resource Council, Vanceboro Unit

Wesley Foundation (East Carolina University - Campus Ministry)  
Yokefellow Participation: Eastern & Greene Units

**New Bern District:**

Beech Grove/Rhems United Methodist Churches  
Kairos (United Methodist Men)

Bridgeton United Methodist Church  
Disciple Bible Study

Centenary United Methodist Church  
MATCH

First United Methodist Church – Sneeds Ferry  
Kairos Prison Ministry

First United Methodist Church – Morehead City  
MATCH

Garber United Methodist Church  
MATCH

Marshallberg-Smyrna United Methodist Churches  
MATCH

Midway United Methodist Church  
MATCH

Queens Creek United Methodist Church  
MATCH

Pine Valley United Methodist Church – Jacksonville  
MATCH

Pine Valley United Methodist Women – Jacksonville  
MATCH

Riverside United Methodist Church – New Bern  
MATCH

Riverside United Methodist Women – New Bern  
MATCH

St. James United Methodist Women – Newport  
MATCH

Straits United Methodist Church  
MATCH

Swansboro United Methodist Women – Swansboro  
MATCH

Trinity United Methodist Church – Jacksonville  
MATCH

**Raleigh District:**

Apex United Methodist Church - Apex  
Disciple Bible Study  
MATCH

Apex United Methodist Women – Apex  
MATCH

Apex United Methodist Church – Ernest Workers Sunday School Class – Apex  
MATCH

Apex United Methodist Church – Florence Holleman Circle – Apex  
MATCH

Apex United Methodist Women – Mary Martha Circle – Apex  
MATCH

Asbury United Methodist Church:  
Project Angel Tree  
Pen Pal Program and Sending Cards on Holidays  
Providing Food for Bible Studies at Women's Prison  
Providing Items for Distribution to Women at Christmas  
Literacy Tutoring  
MATCH

Avent Ferry United Methodist Church  
MATCH

CJAMM Conference Committee – Raleigh  
MATCH

Calvary United Methodist Church – Zebulon  
MATCH

Cary First United Methodist Church: - Cary

MATCH of North Carolina - 8 individuals (serve on Board of Directors, supervise visits with inmate mothers and their children - NC Correctional Institution for Women, Raleigh)  
Disciple Bible Study (NCCIW - several individuals)

Cary First United Methodist Church – Stephen Ministry – Cary  
MATCH

Cary First United Methodist Women – Cary  
MATCH

Cary First United Methodist Women – Friendship Circle – Cary  
MATCH

Cary First United Methodist Women – Ruth Circle – Cary  
MATCH

Cary First United Methodist Church – Celebration Circle – Cary  
MATCH

Cary First United Methodist Church – Wesleyan Circle – Cary  
MATCH

Cary First United Methodist Church – Small Group – Cary  
MATCH

Cary First United Methodist Church – Discovery Sunday School Class – Cary  
MATCH

Center United Methodist Church – Wendell  
MATCH

Cokesbury-Jenkins Memorial United Methodist Churches - Raleigh  
MATCH

Ebenezer United Methodist Church - Raleigh  
MATCH

Edenton Street United Methodist Church: - Raleigh  
Central Prison: Death Row (C. A. Dillon)  
Angel Tree  
Disciple Bible Study (Raleigh Correctional Center for Women)  
MATCH of North Carolina - Contribute to Christmas Party & gifts for  
Children

Edenton Street United Methodist Women – Raleigh  
MATCH

Edenton Street United Methodist Women – Foundry Fellowship Circle – Raleigh  
MATCH

Fairmont United Methodist Church - Raleigh  
MATCH

Franklinton United Methodist Church -  
MATCH

Fuquay-Varina United Methodist Church: - Fuquay-Varina  
Rene Knox - Liaison from Emmaus (Kairos)

Genesis United Methodist Church - Cary  
Disciple Bible Study

Hayes Barton United Methodist Church - Raleigh  
Disciple Bible Study  
MATCH

Hayes Barton United Methodist Church – Raleigh  
MATCH

Highland United Methodist Church - Raleigh  
MATCH

Hollands United Methodist Church - Raleigh  
MATCH

Hollands United Methodist Women – Raleigh  
MATCH

Holly Spring United Methodist Church – Holly Spring  
MATCH

Knightdale United Methodist Church – Knightdale  
MATCH

Longview United Methodist Church  
MATCH

Louisburg United Methodist Church – Louisburg  
MATCH

Macedonia United Methodist Church - Raleigh  
MATCH

Millbrook United Methodist Women – Raleigh  
MATCH

North Raleigh United Methodist Church - Raleigh  
Disciple Bible Outreach Ministry, NCCIW  
Yokefellows, Polk Youth Institute  
Prison Fellowship angel Tree Project  
Kairos, Central Prison  
MATCH

North Raleigh United Methodist Women – Raleigh  
MATCH

Pleasant Grove United Methodist Church - Raleigh  
MATCH

Pleasant Grove United Methodist Women – Raleigh  
MATCH

St. Francis United Methodist Church – Cary  
MATCH

St. Mark’s United Methodist Church - Raleigh  
C. A. Dillon School: Chaplain’s Fund  
C. A. Dillon School: Christmas Fund  
Yokefellow Ministry  
MATCH

St. Mark’s United Methodist Women – Raleigh  
MATCH

Sunrise United Methodist Church – Heart to Heart – Holly Spring  
MATCH

Trinity United Methodist Church – Louisburg  
MATCH

Trinity United Methodist Church – Raleigh  
MATCH

Wake Forest United Methodist Church – Wake Forest  
MATCH

Wake Forest United Methodist Women – Wake Forest  
MATCH

Wendell United Methodist Church - Wendell  
MATCH

Wesley Chapel United Methodist Church – Louisburg  
MATCH

Westover United Methodist Church - Raleigh  
Disciple Bible Study  
MATCH

White Plains United Methodist Church – Cary  
MATCH

White Plains United Methodist Women – Louise Circle – Cary  
MATCH

White Plains United Methodist Women – Deborah Circle – Cary  
MATCH

Wilson Temple United Methodist Church - Raleigh  
MATCH

Wilson Temple United Methodist Women – Raleigh  
MATCH

Windborne United Methodist Church  
Project Nehemiah

Zebulon United Methodist Church - Zebulon  
MATCH

Zion United Methodist Church:  
Visitation - Angel Tree Gifts

**Rockingham District:**

Chestnut Street United Methodist Church - Lumberton, NC  
Choir - Roberson County Correctional Center  
Kairos Ministry (cookie ministry)  
Pilgrims Sponsor  
Disciple Bible Study (Lumberton)  
Epiphany

Fellowship United Methodist Church  
Disciple Bible Study

First United Methodist Church - Hamlet  
Disciple Bible Study (Morrison Youth Institute)

First United Methodist Church - Laurinburg  
Disciple Bible Study (Morrison Youth Institute)  
Angel Tree (AGAPE Sunday School Class)  
Epiphany  
MATCH

First United Methodist Church - Rockingham  
Disciple Bible Study

Galilee United Methodist Church  
MATCH

Maxton Circuit - Maxton  
Visits, Training, & Resources

Parkton United Methodist Church - Parkton  
Disciple Bible Study

Roberdel United Methodist Women – Rockingham  
MATCH

Rowland United Methodist Church - Rowland  
Disciple Bible Study

Saint Luke United Methodist Church - Laurinburg, NC  
Kairos Ministry - (bake 1,000 cookies)

Sandy Plains United Methodist Church  
Visitation - Lumberton Correctional Center  
Visitation - (7) jails in Roberson County

**Rocky Mount District:**

Black Creek-Lucama Charge  
Supports KAIROS Ministry with effort, cookies, devotions

Conway United Methodist Church  
MATCH

Edgewood United Methodist Church – Rocky Mount  
MATCH

Englewood United Methodist Women – Rocky Mount  
MATCH

Evansdale United Methodist Church - Wilson  
MATCH

First United Methodist Church - Rocky Mount  
Layperson teaches once a week  
Regular visitation  
Disciple Bible Study (Fountain CCW)

Gibson Memorial United Methodist Church - Spring Hope Charge  
Contributes to Yokefellow Ministry  
Shepherd - Nash Correctional Center  
Member - State Director of Yokefellow  
Disciple Bible Study

Mt. Zion United Methodist Church  
Donates devotional & study materials  
MATCH

Nashville United Methodist Church  
MATCH

Northhampton Charge  
Bible Study each Wednesday with women at Jackson  
Angel Tree  
Packets for Youth

Scotland Neck United Methodist Church  
Angel Tree  
Visitation & Personal Witness  
Disciple Bible Study (Tillery)

Shocco United Methodist Church  
MATCH

Spring Hope United Methodist Church  
MATCH

Wesley Memorial United Methodist Church – Warrenton  
MATCH

Winstead United Methodist Church  
MATCH

Zion United Methodist Church  
Sunday School - Warren Correctional Institute

**Sanford District:**

Broadway-Morris Chapel United Methodist Churches  
MATCH

Cool Springs United Methodist Women – Carthage  
MATCH

Goldston United Methodist Church – Goldston  
MATCH

Jones Chapel United Methodist Church - Contact: Rev. Jack M. Hunter

Jonesboro United Methodist Church - Sanford  
Kairos Prison Ministry - Contact: Rev. Terry Bryant  
MATCH

Jonesboro United Methodist Women – Sanford  
MATCH

Mt. Gilead United Methodist Church  
MATCH

Mt. Pleasant United Methodist Church – Pittsboro  
MATCH

Poplar Springs United Methodist Church  
Kairos Prison Ministry - Contact: Rev. Thomas Simpson

Southern Pines United Methodist Church  
MATCH

St. Luke United Methodist Church  
Kairos Prison Ministry - Contact: Roy Jernigan

Tabernacle United Methodist Church  
MATCH

West End United Methodist Church  
MATCH

**Wilmington District:**

Camp United Methodist Women – Shalotte  
MATCH

Carolina Beach – St. Paul United Methodist Church – Carolina Beach  
MATCH

Centenary United Methodist Church – Harrells, NC  
Kairos Prison Ministry

Epworth United Methodist Church - Wilmington  
Disciple Bible Study (weekly)  
Prison Worship (twice a month)  
Juvenile Center (monthly)  
Yokefellow Ministry  
New Life Prison Ministry

Fifth Avenue United Methodist Church - Wilmington  
MATCH

Grace United Methodist Church – Wilmington  
MATCH

Grace United Methodist Women – Agape Circle – Wilmington  
MATCH

Harbor United Methodist Church – Wilmington  
MATCH

Lake Waccamaw United Methodist Church  
Discipleship Bible Study

Mishop Springs United Methodist Church  
MATCH

Ocean View United Methodist Church:  
Kairos (Pat Ebert)

Pine Valley United Methodist Church – Wilmington  
MATCH

Southport United Methodist Church: - Southport  
Cookies, visits to Central Prison

Southport United Methodist Women – Southport  
MATCH

St. Paul's United Methodist Women – Carolina Beach  
MATCH

Trinity United Methodist Church – Southport  
MATCH

Trinity United Methodist Women – Southport  
MATCH

Trinity United Methodist Church – Wilmington  
MATCH

Upward United Methodist Church:  
New Hanover Regional Juvenile Detention Center

Wesley Memorial United Methodist Women – Wilmington  
MATCH

Wesleyan Chapel United Methodist Church  
Disciple Bible Study

Whiteville United Methodist Women – Whiteville  
MATCH

Wrightsboro United Methodist Church - Wilmington  
Disciple Bible Study

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