

November 2019,

Dear Supporters, Volunteers, and Friends of Life's Key Ministry,

I had the privilege of attending the annual Workers and Elders Conference in Connecticut this past month. Over the course of 2 1/2 days I talked with many wonderful people, heard some exceptional teaching on Paul as a prisoner and the book of Philippians, and had an opportunity for 10 minutes to give a missionary report. Since many there had not previously heard of Life's Key, I gave an overview of who we are and how we serve. As I try to do each time I have an opportunity like that, I read a letter from an inmate. In preparation, I chose a letter written by a young lady in Connecticut, simply because it happened to be near the area I was headed. Here is what she had to say:

"Good afternoon and God bless you guys and your family members. I am writing you guys to tell you I am so grateful that you have opened my eyes to the Bible that I am like wow...thank you so much for allowing me to do this Bible study. Also, I'll be maxing out by the grace of my God, Lord, and Savior on December 6, 2019 and I would like to keep my Bible study going. My new address will be ______, Waterbury, CT 06705.

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PS - I wrote to tell you guys ahead of time because I would love to continue to learn about God more and how life really works. Being a sinner and knowing that I hurt a lot of people, I don't want to hurt anyone anymore. I want to be a better daughter of God, Mom, Aunt, Sister, Great Aunt, and wife, and commit myself to change by the grace of God. So thank you. God bless you all and family!" - Catherine (Connecticut)

When I read this letter, I left out her full address, but I did say the city, state, and zip code. As soon as I was done with the report, someone approached me and asked if I would tell them the name of the street, so I did. As it turns out, Catherine's new address is literally a couple blocks from the chapel we were in! Several others inquired about that as well, and we were just amazed at what the Lord had put in front of us. A representative at the chapel offered to reach out to her, and I will also include a special note with the chapel's information when we return her exam.

Sometimes I wonder why the Lord is sending me to various places. How is this trip going to benefit the ministry? Will someone be there that knows inmates that are interested in Bible courses? Is He going to provide some new volunteers? Maybe a couple new course sponsors? All or none of the above? Sometimes that is made clear right away, sometimes it's not. Well in this case, if the main reason the Lord had me drive 14 hours round trip was to match Catherine in Connecticut with a chapel, waiting for her with open arms to help her continue on her spiritual journey, then I'd say it was well worth it.

"Therefore welcome one another as Christ has welcomed you, for the glory of God." - Romans 15:7

For HIS Glory,

Tim Priano, Director

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