

# CAM UPDATE

Christian Aftercare Ministries for Ex-Offenders

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Non-profit Organization

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Established 1994

## FROM THE DIRECTOR

By Paul R. Roussel

### CHRISTIAN EMPLOYERS NEEDED

We are compiling a list of Christian employers who would be willing to hire released ex-offenders. If your company has any openings, please call the CAM office and we will add your name to our list. This is a critical need.

### HOUSING NEEDS

We need to find safe, suitable housing for released ex-offenders. Recently CAM placed a man, needing housing immediately, in a Christian men's homeless shelter in Nashua. The Lord was faithful to provide for his needs, but we ask you to continue to pray for other housing opportunities.

### SPIRITUAL NEEDS

Providing for the physical needs, such as housing, food, clothing and jobs, is much appreciated by the men and women recipients. But only a change of heart, mind and behavior will keep them from returning to prison. As they turn their lives over to the Lord, He transforms them and they begin to walk in new pathways. We encourage them to attend church regularly so they can experience Christian growth.

### EASTER SERVICES

Pastor/Chaplain Dave Carlson conducted two Easter services at Valley Street Jail April 19, 2011. I was at the first service. Eighty in-mates attended the services and six men responded to the invitation to accept Christ as Savior in the first service and many more responded in the second service for which we praise the Lord.

### PRISON PRAYERS

Annie Lescard, a long time prison volunteer, started a men's prayer meeting Monday nights at Concord State Prison. Please pray for many men to come and hear about God's love and how He can change their lives if they let Him become Lord of their lives.

### CONCORD, NH AFTERCARE

RISE AGAIN MINISTRY is doing very well and I was asked to serve on the Advisory Board. They minister to about twenty-two men and women each month in their store-front office on Main St. in Concord. They also hold mentoring sessions for ex-offenders. Ron Menard is the director and the Lord is blessing as the ministry continues to grow and be used by the Lord. Ron also coordinates with prison officials for services available to the men getting out of prison in Concord.

**“Be strong and courageous. Do not be afraid; do not be discouraged, for the Lord your God will be with you wherever you go.”**

**Joshua 1:9**

### HELPING THE LESS FORTUNATE

By Sampson Duclair  
CAM Board Member

It gives me great joy to write this article. We now live in a society that does not allow the use of time to handle personal affairs or devote time to another. A well know slogan "*tan se lajan,*" or, "*time is money*" is especially apparent in today's economic crisis, so I feel privileged to find time to speak to you once more.

Being in jail/prison is not the end of the world. Society views it as merely a means to separate criminals from civilization. Even after their debt has been paid to society, ex-convicts continue to be rejected or separated by their communities and find it hard to reintegrate. CAM works to follow the example of our Lord Jesus Christ. The story of the adulterous woman who was brought before Jesus to be persecuted for her sins, tells us that Jesus turned to the angry crowd and said, "***He who is without sin, cast the first stone.***"

In Matthew 25 Jesus instructs his followers to help those who are less fortunate, even those who commit crimes against society. A Haitian slogan states, "*It is in adversity that one can recognize a true friend.*"

Through CAM I was able to serve inmates through Bible study. This helped me make new friends and get experience in lending a hand to those in need. In turn, through my assistance on the board that (continued page two)

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that provided a helping hand to my compatriots in Haiti. The CAM board individually donated their time and money. A few drums were filled by inmates and guards as well, to send food and clothing to victims in Haiti.

We are grateful to live in a country where we are free to serve a people through a ministry. We are also grateful to have free access to serve inmates. We would like to thank the prison officials who allowed us to see the inmates weekly and the security they provided. Our appreciation also goes to the inmates for their continual acceptance and participation in the Bible studies. **To see those men put into practice what they had learned from the Word of God, and to continue to use it when they are released, is an encouragement to our purpose.**

I would like to thank the local churches who support our cause through prayer, advice, or financial contribution.

I cannot finish without giving special thanks to the Lord for the privilege of serving in the jails and prisons. I pray that God will help me continue to be a part of this CAM ministry that I appreciate so much; and I thank the Board of Directors and their supporters for the work being done for our Lord Jesus Christ.

My specific focus for CAM is to give rides to men the day they are released to a specific destination. This focus is very much appreciated by both the prison staff and inmates.

- **Sampson Duclair**

### **PRAYER REQUEST:**

**That the CAM director and the Board Members continue to be enabled by the Holy Spirit to minister in Jesus' name the plan of salvation to men in and/or released from prison.**

## **MY PERSONAL TESTIMONY**

By Michael Euliano

I'm Michael Euliano, 21 years old, born and raised in Nashua, NH where I still live. On October 8, 2009 I was sentenced to NH state prison for 1 ½ to 5 years for four class B felonies including 2<sup>nd</sup> degree assault and conduct after an accident. During my incarceration I met a lot of people whom I may never see again, but also a few people who helped me come to know the Lord as my savior. Joshua Ortega who is 25 years old was also serving a sentence and he helped me to understand and learn God's Word.

Sometime in June 2010, Joshua and I got to talking about the Bible and how it is the **Basic Instructions Before Leaving Earth**. He was witnessing and asking what I knew about Jesus. I answer-ed, "nothing" to about every question. I had never opened a Bible before in my life. But on that day I learned that without a Bible, I would still be in the same place if it wasn't for the Lord's Word and everlasting love. **In my cell Josh witnessed to me and said a prayer which I repeated word for word accepting Jesus as my Savior from sin.** After we prayed Josh told me something I never thought would be true until it started happening. He told me things in my life were going to change and get better, not all at once, and not guaranteed but be noticeable.

Not on that day, but ever since my entire life has changed; the way I look, the way I act and how happy I am ALL the time. I'll admit I was a bad person. Ok, ok, a really bad person committing sin without even realizing it – not caring for other people – just all around evil. But we all sin and come short of the glory of God. Without Him and His grace we will never conquer sin. **I am so thankful for God sending His only son to die for me and my sins so I may live eternally.**

I was released on October 18, 2010 on AHC (Adminis-trative Home Confinement) also known as the "bracelet" and would remain on it till April 5, 2011. Not having gone to church before, thanks to my mother's dentist, Dr. Bob Christ, I was lead to a church ½ mile from home where I attend regularly. The Merrimack Valley Baptist church is helping me grow as a Christian in so many ways. I thank the Lord every day for this. At church I came to know Paul Roussel and other amazing people. I'm continuing to grow and walk with the Lord.

Just recently I was baptized at MVBC and gave my brief testimony in front of the church body. Quickly after my release, the Lord blessed me with a job, raises, a driver's license and a car!!! How wonderful are the Lord and His people!

**Praise God for the power of the Holy Spirit in the hearts of men who love the Lord! Give courage and support to such men wherever you find them. "If the Lord delights in a man's way he makes his steps firm." Psalm 37:23**

## **ANNUAL CAM DINNER AND FUNDRAISER**

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DATE: **SATURDAY, OCTOBER 15, 2011**  
TIME **6:00 P.M.**  
PLACE: **FIRST CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH**  
**508 UNION STREET**  
**(CORNER OF UNION & HANOVER)**

PLEASE MARK THIS DATE ON YOUR CALENDAR FOR  
A WONDERFUL MEAL, GREAT SPEAKER, INSPIRING  
CHRISTIAN MUSIC AND TESTIMONIES.

### ***PRISON MINISTRY – COUNTRY OF COLUMBIA***

By Russell Shiebler

As long time supporters of CAM, my wife and I were thrilled to be greeted so warmly by Paul and Mike when we visited the office in February, 2011. We were proud to show our guests from Medellin, Columbia the tremendous Christian ministry CAM has become, and how valuable it is to ex-offenders in the name of Jesus Christ.

Our guests were Pastor Luis Gonzales and his wife Marta, and Omer Arango and his wife Marcel who are worship leaders in their church. They came to NH on a “reverse mission trip” where they could learn about life-changing ministries in the United States.

Since Luis had been in and out of prison twenty-two times in his younger years, he was eager to hear how CAM operates and what it offers to those coming out of prison. Only God knows if there will one day be a new CAM ministry in Medellin Columbia due to this inspiring visit on a cold winter day in NH!

Thanks Paul, Mike, and the board of directors at CAM. You are providing a great service to ex-offenders in the name of Jesus Christ. Amen! !Gloria a Dios!

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