

# CAM UPDATE

*Christian Aftercare Ministries for Ex-Offenders*

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## FROM THE DIRECTOR/EDITOR, PAUL R. ROUSSEL

**CAM OFFICES ACTIVITIES.** During this bitterly cold winter we have been able to distribute approximately 60 winter coats to men and women who have been released from prison. Thanks to Bethany Covenant church in Bedford for holding a coat drive which supplied many of these coats. With funds donated by our supporters, we purchased some coats, 15 pairs of new work boots and clothing items which were given out. We were able to help at least 30 men and women each month with clothing items that were donated or purchased by us from donors' gifts. Our clients were very grateful to receive these items. We always share God's plan of salvation with each one who comes into the office for assistance. We tell them that only God can help them stay out of prison and away from crime; we encourage them to attend church and find new friends there who will lead them into new pathways of righteousness.

**CHRISTMAS SERVICES AT VALLEY STREET JAIL.** Pastor Carlson, chaplain, conducted two Christmas services at Valley Street Jail with 91 inmates attending. Nineteen men and women responded to Pastor's invitation to accept Christ as their Savior. Dominic Scarpa, an ex-offender, told how the Lord helped him after being released from prison. He married a lovely Christian woman and they have three children and attend church regularly and serve the Lord faithfully. God has provided a good job for Dominic to support his family. Everyone who heard his testimony was richly blessed.

**RESULTS OF THE TAILGATE OUTREACH.** As a result of this outreach mentioned in the last newsletter, many more men are coming to the Bible studies and chapel services in Concord State Prison. We thank the Lord and the state officials for allowing these programs to be brought into prison.

**PRAYER NEEDS: WE SEEK YOUR PRAYERS FOR ALL THE MEN AND WOMEN WHO COME INTO OUR OFFICE LOOKING FOR HELP. PRAY FOR US AS WE MINISTER TO THEM.**

## FROM CAM BOARD CHAIRMAN KENT THRELFALL

### JESUS FEEDS THE FOUR THOUSAND – MARK 8:2

We live in a society where we have been taught to put ourselves before others and God. This goes against all the teachings and the example of Jesus Christ. Being a part of the ministry of CAM and Chaplain at the Rockingham County Department of Corrections has shown me how to have a heart of compassion. As Jesus not only fed the crowd physically, He more importantly fed them spiritually.

Every time a former inmate comes to CAM we supply clothing, financial support and even housing to meet their physical needs. More importantly, we provide them the spiritual food they need to turn their lives around and be free of the bonds of sin. As Jesus dealt with the hurting, homeless, lonely, and desperate, He first presented His heart of (continued on page two)

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compassion to heal their brokenness. At CAM and at RCDC our mission is the same. I am always amazed how God works through the hearts of people and never segregates, discriminates or tears down one's self esteem. He is a master of relationships and has taught us that people matter more than ourselves.

It is a humbling ministry I have been called to do and I would not trade the blessings and satisfaction of being a small part of it. Praise God for His feedings!

-Rev. Kent Threlfall, chaplain at Rockingham County Department of Corrections

**“But God be thanked, that ye were the servants of sin, BUT ye have obeyed from the heart that form of doctrine which was delivered you.**

**“Being then made free from sin, ye became the servants of righteousness.”**

**Romans 6:17,18 KJV**

*MY PERSONAL TESTIMONY*

I'm Michael Euliano, 24 years old currently living in Nashua, NH where I was born and raised. Growing up I was not involved in any religious activities, and never stepped foot in a church other than a funeral service. I never read any part of the Bible before in my life. On Oct. 8, 2009, I was sentenced to NH state prison for a year and a half to five years for 4 class B felonies, including second degree assault and conduct after an accident. While incarcerated, I never would have thought that I would end up being a born again Christian, but God had a plan for me. I am so thankful that (God) gave His son, Jesus to die on the cross for my sins.

While in prison I got into a really good workout routine and was training with my friend, Joshua who was 25 years old at the time and he was raised a Christian. We were working out together one day and he asked me “Do you know where you will go when you die?” Of course I said, “heaven.” He asked me why. “Because I believe in God” I said. Joshua then explained that there is only one way to heaven and that is to believe in my heart Jesus died for my sins and then ask for forgiveness through His name. I told him I didn't know how to do that, so we both went into my cell and he said a prayer that I repeated word for word. He told me my entire life will change and I am going to be made a new person – born again. He said great things are going to happen in my life. Not the next day, nor in five years, but when those things happen I will know, and all the glory will go to God.

The crazy thing is: this actually happened to me! My whole life changed. The way I looked, talked and acted. And then He (God) started blessing me with the things I prayed for over and over - from getting a job, to getting a car and having new friends. I am now enrolled in college going for my associate's degree in business management. I am so thankful for the path God has chosen for me and I lay all my trust in Him.

I am currently attending Merrimack Valley Baptist Church and am involved in the College and Career group there.

## *HOW DO WE SHOW LOVE*

M. M. Frank

In honor of the attention given to affairs of the heart in February, let's look at various interpretations of love which may nudge us into recognizing the love of God and love between His children.

God is Love. John 3:16 in any Bible translation speaks of love: "For God so loved the world that He gave His only Son (to die on the cross) that whoever believes in Him shall not perish but have eternal life (with Him in heaven)."

Love one another. John 13:34,35: "Love one another as I (Jesus) have loved you, so you must love one another. All men will know that you are my disciples if you love one another."

Patience shows Love on trial, bearing blow after blow of suffering.

Zeal shows Love in the harvest field, or chosen vocation, never tiring of toil.

Meekness shows Love among friends when it doesn't boast or brag.

Perseverance shows Love on a journey, pressing on with lively step toward the end.

Joy is Love as it makes its own sunshine where others see only gloom and trouble.

Gentleness is Love in quiet voice and charming manner.

Forgiveness is Love as it overlooks offenses.

Peacefulness shows Love in the home or neighborhood.

Mourning or grieving show there was deep Love causing it.

Bible study shows Love for the Word of God and desire to live according to God's plan.

The persecuted for Jesus' sake shows Love for Jesus and the Bible's message and boldly proclaiming it.

Marriage speaks of a deep emotional Love for a spouse and future children as it plays out in daily life.

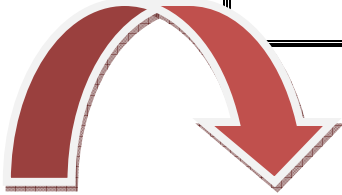
Let's all think long and hard about how we will show our Love for God, in what we do and how we treat others.



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