

CHRISTMAS

is coming...

While it is not Christmas yet, we are in the process of placing orders with suppliers and we are praying this year all the items we need will be available.



Every year, we purchase and deliver Christmas packages to the El Dorado, Oswego, Winfield, and Hutchinson Correctional Facilities.

\$10 monthly support could really help!

It is that time of the year, when expenses hit an annual high.

Many people think, "If I can't give a large sum of money, it won't help."

By giving \$10 a month, you will be giving \$120 a year or \$600 in five years. *So pray about it.*



Hutchinson Correctional Facility

All training will be held in the Old School House on the Correctional Facility Central Unit Campus

BASIC BEGINNING TRAINING

Monday November 21 12:30 pm to 4:00 pm
Monday December 19 12:30 pm to 4:00 pm

ANNUAL FOR REGULAR VOLUNTEERS

Monday November 21 2:00 pm to 4:00 pm
Monday December 19 2:00 pm to 4:00 pm

All training on the 3rd Monday of the month. Please contact the Pastoral Care Department with any questions.

Sue Stoecklein for more details.
620-625-7380 - Sue.Stoecklein1@ks.gov
or Thomas Broomfield
620-625-7380

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MEMOS Newsletter

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Register your card at Dillons website, <https://www.dillons.com/community-rewards>.

Whenever you make purchases at **Dillons**, "IF" you have registered your card at **Dillons**, **Community Rewards**, a portion will go to **Prison Ministry**.

Non-Profit-Organization (NPO) number for Central Kansas Prison Ministry is: **80159**

Please allow your grocery donations to go to: **Central Kansas Prison Ministry**



Central Kansas
Prison Ministry
NOVEMBER 2022

MEMOS

Thank you for your continued prayers and support to Central Kansas Prison Ministry

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When an (inmate) resident is NOT a worker, porter or employed by a company, they have no money for hygiene items or canteen products. They are then called "indigent."

These are the men for whom we provide a Christmas gift package.



Your financial help is needed to have the funds necessary to provide these packages.

When residents are incarcerated, they are assigned to a facility and if possible a work responsibility, such as the kitchen, cleanup, or other "porter" assignments.

If they acquire such a job, they can make about \$20 a

month, which amounts to about \$1 a day, 5 days a week.

This year, we are again going to supply a small package to the men at the Winfield Correctional Facility, as well as the residents at the Hutchinson Facility.

Our plan, this year, is to provide a devotional titled, *Seeking God*, a book distributed by Prison Evangelism Inc., a Christian evangelistic association that prints and distributes these books to the 2,000,000 incarcerated men and women in America's 2100 jails and prisons. A personal message from *Central Kansas Prison Ministry* will also be included.

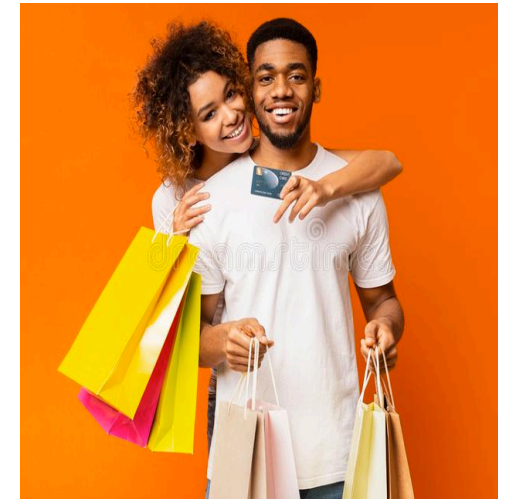
A portion of Lynn's memorial donations will be used to provide this devotional.

So just put yourself in their place!

Every year, *Central Kansas Prison Ministry* provides Christmas gift packages for inmates who **DO NOT** have family or friends to provide a care package.

A Thanksgiving or Christmas holiday away from family and children, can be overwhelmingly emotional.

Is that what you need or what you want?



We live at a time in America, when the main emphasis is on, "This is what I want." But is it something you really need?

People want to be recognized as Christians, but reject the complete teachings of Jesus. Notice what I wrote, "reject the complete teachings of Jesus." It is not a rejection of Jesus, but when it comes to the Ten Commandments, how many Christians, myself included, fail to live by all of them all of the time?

We have set Jesus aside as to be worshipped and praised, but have departed from His teachings of, "love your neighbor as yourself." Or here is one, "Jesus said, 'I was in prison and you didn't visit me.'"

When Jesus confronted the Rich Young Ruler, He named FIVE of the commands that relate to other people and the universal command to "Love your neighbor."

Matthew 19:18 records it this way, "Jesus replied, 'You shall not murder, you shall not commit adultery, you shall not steal, you shall not give false testimony, honor your father and mother and love your neighbor as yourself.'"

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Volunteer Training
Saturday, March 11
7:30AM!!

El Dorado Correctional Facility
P.O. Box 311
El Dorado, KS 67042-0311

Primary call-outs have begun.
Christian Praise and Worship services will
be every weeknight from 6-7 PM.
Volunteers arrive at 5:30 PM to
processed in. Questions... call
Chaplain Harris at 316.321.7284, ext 22308

For volunteer training information, contact...
Administrative Assistant – Amber Hoffman
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316-733-1537
Email – director@ckpm.org

Mentoring4Success
Training Information:
For information please contact
Tanya Husselman 316-613-7237
or Tanya.Husselman@ks.gov

Match2 (M2)
Visitation Schedule
The Chaplain foresees Match2 starting up in
the near future. If you have been a Match2
volunteer, you will be contacted soon. If
interested in becoming a
Match2 volunteer, call the
Chaplain's office or
CKPM office at 316.733.1537



Is that what you need or want?

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He did not MENTION the FOUR that related to God:
 No other God's before me.
 Shall not misuse the name of the Lord your God.
 Remember the Sabbath to keep it holy
 Shall not covet your neighbor's wife
 Shall not covet your neighbor's stuff

Luke 12:29-31 reads, *"Do not set your heart on what you will eat or drink; do not worry about it. For the pagan world runs after all such things, and your Father knows that you need them. But seek his kingdom, and these things will be given to you as well."*

Matthew 6:34 adds, *"Therefore do not worry about tomorrow, for tomorrow will worry about itself. Each day has enough trouble of its own."*

The half-brother of Jesus hit the nail on the head, when he wrote, (James 4:1-3), *"What causes fights and quarrels among you? Don't they come from your desires that battle within you? You desire but do not have, so you quarrel and fight. You do not have because you do not ask God. When you ask, you do not receive, because you ask with wrong motives, that you may spend what you get on your pleasures."*

That is the point I want to make. We seek "pleasure" through grabbing after what we want instead of what we need.

LET's look at SOME ways we violate the 10 Commandments.

- If you are driving a 10-year old car and your neighbor gets a brand new late model, are you guilty of coveting?
- You have a car accident while talking on your cell phone and the officer asks, "Were you on your phone?" You reply, "No, I was watching traffic."
- Your parents call and need some help, but you want to go out with your friends.
- You need to mow the grass and it seems that Sunday is the only day you can do it.
- A car cuts you off in traffic, you don't want to swear at them, but you say, "Jees – where did you get your drivers license?" (*profanity slang*)

Finally, WHEN WE SEE SOMETHING WE WANT, "the want" can override the NEED; we lie to ourselves and buy it.

HERE IS THE BOTTOM LINE: When you see something that appeals to you, ask, "Is this what I need or something I just want?" **THE HOLY SPIRIT WILL ANSWER THE QUESTION FOR YOU.**

"Central Kansas Prison Ministry Changed My Life"

I met Lynn and Karen McBride while incarcerated at the Toronto Honor Camp, located at Toronto, Kansas, which later, in the early 90's, became EDCF East Unit.

The McBride's, along with another couple, drove every week to teach Bible studies.

We residents (inmates) who attended the studies, always enjoyed the fellowship and the knowledge we gained from the teachings. It was exciting to get together and learn about our Lord and Saviour, Jesus Christ. I admired their commitment to myself and the other men who regularly attended.

They became our extended family and that was significant to the guys I was incarcerated with.

Lynn was committed to growing this ministry as he used his musical talents and knowledge of the Bible to teach and encourage us. I grew in my faith during this time and it helped me through my incarceration.

The men who attended every week, grew closer to the Lord and to each other. It gave us something special to look forward to since most of us didn't get to see our own families regularly.

Lynn and Karen stayed in touch with me following my time in Toronto. In fact, they made an extra effort to meet my wife and I for a memorable dinner, several years after my release.

I have been home for 20 plus years now, and as I look back on my incarceration, I fondly remember those Bible studies.

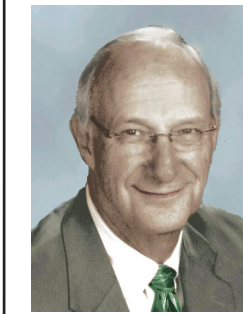
My wife and I have been loyal donors to the ministry. We have learned the importance of giving generously and will continue to support Central Kansas Prison Ministry.

If you are currently incarcerated or have completed your sentence, please consider giving back to this ministry, to help others that are still inside the prison walls, so they too can come to have a personal relationship with our Lord and Saviour, Jesus Christ.

"I walked where you are and made it, and you can too!!"

May God bless you,

John



Endowed with the Kingdom of Heaven

Glenn Lygrisse

Bible teacher at his church and online devotional thoughts. Glenn is also part of the Match2 mentoring and former president of Central Kansas Prison Ministry.

Daily Reading - Luke 17:11 - 18:14

Now having been asked by the Pharisees when the kingdom of God would come, He (Jesus) replied, "The kingdom of God is not coming with signs to be observed or with a visible display; nor will people say, 'Look! Here it is!' or, 'There it is!' For the kingdom of God is among you [because of My presence]." Luke 17:20-21

This verse may have been difficult to understand in some of the more traditional versions/translations of Scripture. It seems to me that the Amplified Version helps to provide a better understanding. It does not carry the meaning that some versions seem to indicate that we are already endowed with the Kingdom of Heaven and that it is not a place we go to, but rather we are living that now internally. Rather this carries the concept that because of the physical presence of Jesus the disciples were experiencing a bit of heaven on earth. Think of how much greater the Kingdom will be when we eternally enter into His presence.

Prayer thought: Thank God for your eternity with Him.

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