

H-I-M Jail & Prison Ministry Thumb Correctional Facility

Hello All:

Well, we have finally gotten a new and exciting Ministry started in the Thumb Correctional Facility in Lapeer. It has taken some time and patience but after many months and phone calls we do have a start date for doing Bible Studies with the facility's male youth ages (14 - 20). At times it is hard to remember that God's perfect timing never quite seems to match our watch of time. But, we as Christian must come to the understanding that it is His perfect timing. Thus, that is where the gift of patience must be put into action. The new Chaplain (Shon Hart) has allowed H.I.M. Member Chico Simich to do Sunday morning services for the past few months and God through him has paved the way for us to get started with this new area of the H.I.M. Prison and Jail Ministry.

We will be starting off with the Purpose Driven Life Study and see where God directs us from there. So far only three H.I.M. Members have been cleared through the M.D.O.C to minister to the inmates in this facility. Chico Simich, Bill Kirkland, and myself (Randy Puff). We are praying after the first of 2009 to get other H.I.M. members cleared to go into the facility to do one-on-one visits with both the youth and adult prison population. Chaplain Hart is happy to have Hogs In Ministry as part of the Chaplaincy Program at Thumb Correctional Facility and believes that we as Bikers and Christians can help to make a change in the minds and hearts of both the adults and youth incarcerated there.

I would ask that all of you hold us up in prayer that this ministry succeed and be very fruitful and pleasing onto God. We are there being used to plant seeds and allowing God to do all the harvesting. It's for His glory and honor that we do this. *We will succeed if it be His will.*

Under Shepherd Randy Puff

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(left) Randy Puff (center) Chico Simich (right) Bill Kirkland