

## **The Prison Epistle Second Quarter Edition 2016**

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Dear Volunteers, Prayer Partners, Financial Partners, and everyone that prays for us and helps us.

I am writing this edition of our newsletter in a time of desperate battle and need. I am trying my best to be the best soldier of the Lord Jesus Christ that I can be. I am also trying to be the best husband that I should be. I am majoring on Prayer and Bible Study in my personal life so that I can be strong in faith as a warrior should be. I am ready to give my life, for Esther, for the Law Enforcement Community that I serve. This commitment is also for my outstanding team of Board of Directors of Alabama Prison Ministries Inc. Liberty Theological Seminaries International, my volunteers, and friends in the Chaplaincy Department of the General Counsel of The Assemblies of God and The Alabama District Counsel of the Assemblies of God.

The first area is what is happening with Esther, four weeks ago the Montgomery Cancer Center took her off Affinitor because of side effects. The Affinitor Medication was successful in killing the Cancer Cells, but the side effects of blisters on Esther's lower legs and mouth were causing other problems.

Dr. Keith Thompson took Esther off of Affinitor four weeks ago. The Cancer Cells began to multiply again to count of 100 to a possible ceiling of 500.

Esther was placed on a new drug chemo pill called Ibrance. She has been on it two weeks. The side effects of the is drug are very light. Esther went back to the Montgomery Cancer Center and had blood work done again after two weeks. The Count was 200 in the Cancer cell count out of a ceiling of 500. I questioned Dr. Keith Thompson concerning this.

He stated that he was not concerned because it takes a little time for maximum effect to be realized. He also informed me that he had six more chemo drug choices that he could try before regular Chemotherapy." The cost of this drug is \$10,500.00 per month."

The second area is our scheduled LTSI Graduation for the Academic year 2015, We are planning to hold our twenty-third Graduation activities on the following schedule.

Baccalaureate Service Thursday August 4, 2016 at 7:00 P.M.- For all of the student body – we have 38 inmates graduating with The Certificate of Completion in New Testament Studies.

We are planning on the Commencement Service on Friday August 5, 2016 from 10:00 A.M. until 3:00 P.M. The activities after Commencement Service will include a meal with the graduates including the families present, volunteers and ministry guests. The meal will have to be commercially prepared so we will have to purchase it. For this need we will need approximately \$1,000 to pay for the food and other things that we need for this event.

The third area of need is for approximately \$1,000.00 for necessary office supplies that we have to purchase ourselves in order to care of the business of the ministry offices, the Church, the Chapel Complex and the educational programs. We also have the cost of printing the syllabi and materials for the classes.

The fourth area of need is for one of our schools in Uganda. We have written in several newsletters that there is a pressing need for a laptop computer for Pastor James Kibowe in Uganda. You and I know that a very durable laptop is going to cost \$300.00 or \$500.00. The country is poor the people are not blessed like we are. We have sent them a double header DVD Player and 16 classes on DVD with syllabus. He has 40 students in twenty-four churches. We have received reports from boots on the ground that they are doing marvelous things with what we have sent them. One person has donated to this need but it is not enough to purchase the laptop.

I am encouraging, begging, pleading to you to pray for these needs and give to them sacrificially. Esther and I are and we are forsaking our spiritual children. I believe by faith that you will come forward and help us and encourage others to help us also.

Sincerely yours:

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