

“WALKING IN THE LIGHT”

Kings Crossing Prison Ministries

A NEWS REVIEW & EDUCATIONAL TOOL OF JAIL-PRISON MINISTRIES IN CHURCHES OF CHRIST

Dr. Dale Underwood, Editor

“Endeavoring to teach the Gospel to every person everywhere before Jesus returns”

KCPM Receives TDCJ's Parole Division Award

In April, *Buck Griffith* traveled to Austin to accept a state award from Governor Abbot's office. In 2018, KCPM was recognized with The “Volunteer Service” award. This year the recognition was in the category of the “Parole Division”. Specifically, our volunteers and staff weekly go to jails, prisons, and work with parolee's teaching and training people regarding substance abuse, anger management, and other practical Christ-centered ways to live life that honors God.



Front row: Raquel Rivera, Sandy Richardson, Otha Barcus, Glenda Watson
Second row: Buck Griffith, Dr. Don Umphrey, Cheryl Hinton, Recardo Reyes, Debbie Cullen, Karlene Underwood, Jesus Villanueva
Third row: Dr. Dale Underwood, Frank Maxey, Pat Watson, Charles Barber, Mike Cullen

Some of our volunteers and staff were able to gather for a quick picture (above), and then it was back into the mission field! Of course, nobody is laboring for the state to recognize us. We want to see the kingdom grow, souls saved, and lives transferred from darkness to light. **We want to hear, “Well done, good and faithful servant,” from our Lord.**

The North Texas Initiative continues

In early April we made our way to Lubbock to meet with several representatives from congregations to consider ways to include congregations in addiction recovery, jail/prison, and re-entry ministries. We encountered a late spring snow storm! Despite the weather,



Zane Howard, Dr. Dale Underwood, and Jesus Villanueva in the snow flurries!

several congregations were represented. We will follow up with other congregations that expressed interest but were not able to travel.

It is wonderful to know that we have the opportunity to impact around 15,000 prisoners and several more thousand ex-offenders who are returning home to these communities as they get out.

Please keep praying God blesses this work!

It is just around the corner! Make plans to attend the 51st Annual

National Jail & Prison Ministry Workshop

June 11-13, 2025

“Redemption Meets Recovery”

**Midwest Church of Christ
2115 Garland Ave., Louisville, KY
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The Power of the Gospel!



Recardo Reyes



We are not allowed to show you their faces, but

eighty-five men put on Christ in baptism on April 12th! *Chaplain Franco* (pictured far left) told us there would have been more, but two dorms were locked down due to medical quarantine. ***Praise King Jesus!***

The power of the Gospel is alive and well. *Michael DeShazo, Charles Barber, Recardo Reyes, and Dr. Dale Underwood* had the privilege of preaching to and baptizing these men. The chaplain gave a message that morning to the men about the importance of baptism. He told them he had been studying about it. He mentioned how the argument about the thief on the cross not needing to be baptized did not fit with scripture as the lamb had not yet died and he was under the old covenant. He told the men that we are baptized into Christ's death and quoted Romans 6:3 "*Or don't you know that all of us who were baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into his death?*" We marveled to hear the chaplain preaching to the men about the need for baptism and the forgiveness of sin! ***Praise King Jesus! Please continue to support this work with Your prayers. Lives are being changed through Jesus!***

A Busy Week...

Revive TexHoma Workshop; Wichita Falls

Wednesday and Thursday (April 23-24) *Recardo Reyes* delivered two powerful classes on "*Setting the Prisoner Free*". We continue to encourage local congregations to start up support groups to help stop people struggling with addiction both in and out of the church. These groups are also evangelistic tools for church growth. *J.J. Rivera* gave a very moving testimony in class. And, it was good to see dear brothers and sisters such as *April Askew*.



B-12 Workshop; Gainesville, Florida

On Friday (April 25th), we flew to speak at the **University St. Church of Christ** as they begin efforts to start support groups and go into jails and prisons. *Micah and Stephanie Rogers* gave strong testimonies, *Recardo Reyes* and *Dr. Dale Underwood* workshoped Saturday and then taught class and preached on Sunday.

Praise King Jesus!



Please continue to prayerfully support us.

Gifts of Remembrance & Gratitude



Many ministry friends find this a meaningful way to remember loved ones and honor persons who have made a difference in their lives – living or not. Whether a person just passed away or died decades ago, it is a marvelous feeling to know that you or a loved one is remembered.

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Frank Maxey
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