

## “Letter From M.O.M.”

The Quarterly newsletter of **Moving On Ministry**

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### “I Can Only Imagine”

As you receive this volume of **Letter From M.O.M.**, we are continuing with more of the testimonies of “How God Changes Lives” as well as some more of our own written articles. We can truly say that the “high” that many of our inmates have been trying to get through the wrong methods, is being surpassed by those putting God in control of their lives.

Watch our website  
[www.MovingOnMinistry.com](http://www.MovingOnMinistry.com)

We are also affiliated with International Prison Fellowship  
[www.PrisonMinistry.net/movingon](http://www.PrisonMinistry.net/movingon)

### Fellowship

We have trimmed our mailing list from 850 to 90. The time and money required for designing the newsletters, printing, folding and stuffing the newsletters, applying postage and printing the envelopes had become too great. We got behind on letter replies, and may occasionally miss one. Please write back if we do not answer, and write clearly so we can get the mailing information correct. We would like to know of the impact we are having and also cherish letters from inmates or relatives to the churches to let us know how we are doing.

### Intentions & Wishes

The intentions of this newsletter are to allow an understanding of jail & prison ministries. It is our intentions to get input from those incarcerated as well as those “free” to visit. Life experiences of the faith and fellowship from those locked up in the facilities are always desired to let others know of the value of “visitation”. I am certain that each of us have many stories of the miracles God has done in our lives.

Our wishes are that we would have a list of supportive churches and programs that individuals might look forward to attending, once released.

A list of services, such as housing, employment and counseling services, as well as some individuals available for friendly fellowship are also much needed items (Resource List).

God’s Word says if a man stumbles, how can he continue lest there be another to help him up. **Ecc. 4:10** “For if they fall, the one will lift up his fellow: but woe to him [that is] alone when he falleth; for [he hath] not another to help him up.” **Proverbs 24:17** “Rejoice not when thy enemy falleth, and let not thy heart be glad when he stumbleth.” John **11:10** “But if a man walketh in the night, he stumbleth, because there is no light in him.”

Please help us with input for this newsletter as we strive to serve God. We appreciate any articles or input.

# Volume 88 was the LAST Bulk mailing

We have cut back our mailing list (850 to 100) due to expenses. S.A.S.E. welcomed. **Calvary Chapel of Visalia** was offering to team up with **M.O.M.** for administrative direction and financial guidance. Due to the financial and relational strain on the M.O.M. team, Volume 88 was the last bulk mailing. Have a loved one print copies from web. **Calvary Chapel** is where Bob and Linda did their initial chaplain training and started the jail and prison outreach 14 plus years ago. Please write Calvary a note of encouragement to continue the outreach of M.O.M.

**Calvary Chapel of Visalia**  
**Attn. Jail / Prison Ministry**  
**P.O. Box 6219**  
**Visalia, CA 93290**

**Heather Layne** has offered to do quarterly concerts for M.O.M. , both as fund raisers and in prison facilities. California Men's Colony was 8/1/2015 and returning in January 2016

## Heather Layne

(Song writer, Nashville and international recording artist)

Heather and Denny have offered to do some prison concerts on a quarterly basis.



Please have the chaplain or a religious volunteer contact us if interested in a concert or a "Take it to the Yard" event.

Many are familiar with the 56 page “**Resources From M.O.M.**” that has approximately 650 listings in various categories (downloadable online). Can mail with 6” X 9” S.A.S.E, \$ .93 postage and \$ .98 copy fee. If using #10 envelope, postage is \$ 1.15

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For individuals being released to one of California’s 58 counties, there are internet listings of services and programs available. **Have a loved one print them out.**

[http://www.cdcr.ca.gov/Community\\_Partnerships/Resource\\_Directory.aspx](http://www.cdcr.ca.gov/Community_Partnerships/Resource_Directory.aspx)

[http://www.cdcr.ca.gov/Community\\_Partnerships/SearchByCounty.aspx?ct=??????](http://www.cdcr.ca.gov/Community_Partnerships/SearchByCounty.aspx?ct=??????)

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**The areas of Service listings are as follows;**

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| Adult Services                 | Homeless Services         |
| AIDS/HIV Services              | Housing Services          |
| CDCR Contracted Services       | Legal Services            |
| Child Care Services            | Mental Health Services    |
| Child Support Services         | Mentoring Services        |
| Clothing Services              | Native American Services  |
| Counselling Services           | Physical Health Services  |
| Disability Services            | Police / Sheriff / Parole |
| Documentation & Identification | Referral Services         |
| Domestic Violence Services     | Religious Services        |
| Education Services             | Substance Abuse Treatment |
| Emergency Services             | Tattoo Removal            |
| Family Services                | Transportation Services   |
| Financial Services             | Veterans Services         |
| Food Services                  | Vocational Services       |
| Gender Specific – Female       | Volunteer Services        |
| Gender Specific – Male         |                           |

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**Postage (up to # pages)**

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| 1. MOM Resources - - - \$ .93     | 6. 50 pages – 25 sheets - \$ 1.37    |
| 2. 10 pages - 5 sheets - \$ .49   | 7. 90 pages - 45 sheets - \$         |
| 3. 20 pages - 10 sheets - \$ .71  | 8. 120 pages – 60 sheets - \$ 3.18   |
| 4. 30 pages – 15 sheets - \$ .93  | 9.                                   |
| 5. 40 pages – 20 sheets - \$ 1.15 | 10. 240 pages - 120 sheets - \$ 5.95 |

**The lists are quite large (up to 10 per page) (copies at \$ .07/page); and examples of County listings are**

**Alameda – NO LISTING**  
**Alpine – 11 pages**  
**Amador – 17 pages**  
**Butte – 59 pages**  
**Calaveras – 18 pages**  
**Colusa – 12 pages**  
**Contra Costa – 114 pages**  
**Del Norte – 27 pages**  
**El Dorado – 37 pages**  
**Fresno – 86 pages**  
**Glenn – 16 pages**  
**Humboldt – 42 pages**  
**Imperial – 50 pages**  
**Inyo – 11 pages**  
**Kern – 125 pages**  
**Kings – 29 pages**  
**Lake – 46 pages**  
**Lassen – 33 pages**  
**Los Angeles – 91 pages**  
**Madera – 31 pages**  
**Marin – 44 pages**  
**Mariposa – 18 pages**  
**Mendocino – 65 pages**  
**Merced – 38 pages**  
**Modoc – 17 pages**  
**Mono – 10 pages**  
**Monterey – 52 pages**  
**Napa – 36 pages**  
**Nevada – 25 pages**

**Orange – 82 pages**  
**Placer – 34 pages**  
**Plumas – 22 pages**  
**Riverside – 119 pages**  
**Sacramento – 103 pages**  
**San Benito – 19 pages**  
**San Bernardino – 101 pages**  
**San Diego – 235 pages**  
**San Francisco – 94 pages**  
**San Joaquin – 91 pages**  
**San Luis Obispo – 28 pages**  
**San Mateo – 84 pages**  
**Santa Barbara – 51 pages**  
**Santa Clara – 92 pages**  
**Santa Cruz – 59 pages**  
**Shasta – 63 pages**  
**Sierra – 12 pages**  
**Siskiyou – 39 pages**  
**Solano – 21 pages**  
**Sonoma – 38 pages**  
**Stanislaus - 70 pages**  
**Sutter – 17 pages**  
**Tehama – 30 pages**  
**Trinity - 22 pages**  
**Tulare - 52 pages**  
**Tuolumne – 14 pages**  
**Ventura - 30 pages**  
**Yolo – 18 pages**  
**Yuba – 12 pages**



## Addresses to contact the

**Calvary Chapel of Visalia**  
Attn. Jail / Prison Ministry  
P.O. Box 6219  
Visalia, CA 93290

**Calvary Chapel Prison Ministry**  
Attn: Carmine Aleprete  
P.O. Box 1965  
Big Bear Lake, CA 92315

**Otto & Jennie Ball**  
c/o Crossroads Ministry  
P.O. Box 363  
Hyde, PA 16843

**So Blessed Ministry**  
P.O. Box 275  
Lake Isabella, CA 93240

**Set Free Prison Ministries**  
Bible Correspondence Course  
P.O. Box 5540  
Riverside, CA. 92517-9986

**Discover Bible School**  
Attn, Dr. Paul G.  
229 Stormy St. NE  
Albany, OR 97322

**Crossroad Bible Institute**  
P.O. Box 900  
Grand Rapids, MI 49509-0900

**International Prison Ministry**  
Bible, Dictionary, Concordance  
P.O. Box 2868  
Costa Mesa, CA 92628-2868

## Ministry Volunteers

**Prison Pen Pal**  
P.O. Box 235  
East Berlin, PA 17316

**Little Lambs, Inc**  
John & Eileen Sala  
P.O. Box 32  
Sebring, FL 33871-0032

**Rose Marie Jones**  
54 Albion  
Jacksonville, IL 62650

**Iglesia Puerta de Salvacion**  
202 Lafayette Ave.  
Lindsay, CA 93247

**World Challenge**  
P.O. Box 260  
Lindale, TX 75771-0260

**A Cup of Water Ministries**  
Pen Pals  
P.O. Box 161759  
Ft. Worth, TX 71611

**Trinity Broadcasting**  
P.O. Box Z  
Santa Ana, CA 92711

## Missing M.O.M. ?

We must constantly remind individuals that we need to be notified of changes of address or facilities. If we get returned mail (about 20 each month), we remove that individual from the files. If you have, or you are going to be moved, please drop us a note to keep your file active. We get mail returned for bad ID #'s, no cell #, and no bed #.

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## Letters that Express it All

We like to post real life situations, because God works in real lives and He is the one that gives "Eternal Life."

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For those of you that communicate with individuals that have computer access, we have added quite a bit to our web site. The "**Resource List**" (56 pages), the "**Pen Pal Friends**" (**discontinued**), ALL past newsletters ("**Letter From M.O.M.**"), inmate lookup links, and artwork are available to be viewed or downloaded.

[www.MovingOnMinistry.com](http://www.MovingOnMinistry.com)

Ask for a copy of our **56 page (Over 650 listings) "Resource List"**

### **Pen Pals Brochure Discontinued**

**SASE with Postage is needed but verified indigent envelopes will be mailed as funds available.**

Postage

\$ .93 for Resources (6X9 envelope)

\$1.15 for Resources (#10 envelope)

(\$ .98 copy fee)

\$.49-\$.71 for Newsletter postage  
(Donations Welcome)

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## Sharing Your Testimony

There are 4 parts to an individual's testimony;

1. What my life was like before I met Jesus.
2. How I realized I needed Jesus.
3. How I committed my life to Jesus.
4. The difference Jesus has made in my life.

The importance is not what you have done, but what God is doing.

1. Your testimony Your life lessons
2. Your godly passions
3. The Good News

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## Readily Available Printouts

Please help with postage

I would like to add that we have shared many wonderful testimonies. Many individuals are afraid to share their testimony because they are not sure what to write or feel inadequate in their writing ability. God's Word says in **Jeremiah 17:9** that "**the heart is deceitful above all things, and desperately wicked: who can know it?**" When the heart is changed by Christ it becomes the center of where God works from in our life.

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Example of Motorcycles brought into facility for “Take it to the Yard” events



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## **‘Not Knowing’ to ‘Knowing God.’**

Hello – My name is Carmine Aleprete. I would like to share my testimony on ‘Not Knowing’ to ‘Knowing God.’

I was very young when I was put in a Catechisms school. Being young and going to school to learn about God. Remembering the ladies dressed in black and white called ‘Nuns.’ They seemed very mean and I had absolutely no intension on learning about God.

So I rebelled in school and started out to be the black sheep of the family. My parents were divorced when I was three and my mom worked 2 to 3 jobs all the time.

As growing up, I learned all the excuses in the book why my dad couldn’t pick me up to visit. So, I had a lot of resentment towards him.

16 years old was my first experience of being sent away for burglary. Scared and feeling alone, I was sent away for 18 months. Got out and moved in with my dad. New area and that meant new people. Dad let me do whatever I wanted and I took it for granted. Went to school and got a job at Marriott Hotel. Did great for a while until I was going out after work and staying out all night. Coming and if I was drunk, skip school, but go back to work.

I started to sell cocaine everywhere and was making money. I started to come to California, by me driving all the northern states and just cruise the PCH (Pacific Coast Highway), stay a week, then drive all the southern states home. As soon as I graduated, I loaded up my car and didn’t say anything to anyone until I got here to California. I was here for about a month and was living it up in Orange County. At least I thought. I met some people at the motel, woke up and me car was gone. I really didn’t know anyone and everything I owned was in my car. I ended up getting caught for drugs on me and I went to jail.

This cycle went on and off for years. I decided I had to get to the desert. Went there and got hooked up with people who cooked methamphetamine. Showed me how. I thought this would be cool. I watched how they made it and transported it. Got paid! That easy. Got a 4-bedroom home and told myself, this is mine. Yea, okay!

Well I had a friend come to me and said “*Are you going away this weekend?*” Which I always did. Yes, I’m leaving Friday and be back Sunday night. He asked if this couple could stay there while I was gone? I thought about it, it was hard, but I said ‘yes’.

On my way home Sunday night my phone was vibrating in my vest. I pulled over on my bike and it was my friend letting me know not to go to my house, the chem lab truck is backed up to my garage. There is 55 large mason jars of finished product meth. They got cops all over the place. So, I ran from place to place until they finally did catch me. I was sent to prison due to the house being in my name. I went to prison with a term of one year. Still not accepting God into my life.

Got half of my time done and I called my dad’s cell phone. Just wanted to say hi and let him know I’m OK and almost out. My step-mom answered and said, “*Your dad is here in I.C.U. He’s got stomach cancer.*” He got on the phone and I’ll always remember his words; “*Don’t cry son, I’m going home.*” There was a pause and my step-mom said “*Your dad has passed away.*” I got off the phone and was in a pinochle



tournament and my partner said *"You'll get over it."* I punched him in the eye and I was taken to the hole for 34 days. I went to prison with a year and ended up doing 4 years.

Got out and met my first wife and we had a son. I was working heavy equipment and making over \$40.00 an hour. Ran into someone that knew how to make meth. I was making the money and making meth. Too much for me to handle.

In 1994 I was locked in a garage for 8 days. My hair was orange and my eyes were yellow. I weighed 105 pounds and I felt like I was gonna die. I told my wife that *"My time has come."* She called a church called *"Set Free,"* I was taken there for 3 days. I slept on the floor of the church. I remember waking up and there was a 6'7" tall white guy with a long pony tail squatting in front of me. He said *"Are you ready?"* I said *"I need help."* He lifted me up and gave me a hug and said *"He's been waiting for you."* I said *"What do I have to do?"* He told me to say a prayer and I did. *Now you got to go to the ranch.*

I was at the ranch for almost 3 weeks, and he came out there for a Bible study and I did the closing prayer. He said *"God has given you two gifts,"* I said *"What are they?"* *"One is your life. Your gift back is how you use it. Your second gift is that you are one of His personal prayer warriors."* Don't ever stop praying. You see someone hurting, crying or in need, do it.

I'm here to tell you that I was in jail because I was tired of running. I turned myself in to do right. I went to court and they offered me 29 years for possession for sale. My heart fell.

When I finally went for sentencing it was 5 years of county jail. I was 30 months down and 22 to go and had done over 40 Bible courses. By the grace of our God, I am sponsored by Calvary Chapel – Big Bear Lake to start Bible College.

I want you all to know is to read, study and pray every day. When you don't, you open the door for that no-good evil Satan to come in and ruin your day.

**Romans 8:28**

*"All things are possible, to those who believe and trust in Him with all thine heart"*

I've now been out of jail for 2 years and belong to Calvary Chapel – Big Bear Lake. I started the prison writing ministry here and write to over 90 men and women doing time all over the United States. We offer Bible studies from the 1 Step to Freedom curriculum.

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**NOTE from Bob:** It ALWAYS blesses us with the giving we see from inmates. We wish the message could get through to those outside the walls. We are keeping the **P.O. Box 6667, Visalia, CA 93290** available. We have also cut back from 850 newsletter mailings to approximately 100, till there is a change in finances. Those wishing to receive a newsletter can send a S.A.S.E. (**#10 with \$.49 postage**) and request. For those supportive in stamps or finances, we will try to keep your mailing active.

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## Persuaded? Are you convinced?

God "is not willing that any should perish but that all should come to repentance. (2 Peter 3:9)

**This is the most important question and greatest decision each of us will ever make. It is a matter of "life" or "second death" for ALL of us.**

The non-believers have tried to change the term "Born again" into a mockery, a "weirdo" term. According to the Bible, you CANNOT see God or His Kingdom unless you are born again! We are all born of the flesh (water breaks and we are born) and must be born of the spirit (Repent of sin and turn to the salvation provided by God in His Son, Jesus)!

Please read, seriously consider and ask yourself, "Is Jesus 'God with us'" as the prophet Isaiah foretold? And ask yourself, "Am I 'Born again'"?

"Therefore the Lord himself will give you a sign. Behold, the virgin shall conceive and bear a son, and shall call his name Immanuel. (Isa 7:14-15)

Then Matthew quoted Isaiah:  
"Behold, the virgin shall conceive and bear a son, and they shall call his name Immanuel (which means, God with us). (Matt 1:23-24)

Jesus said to his disciples: "Let not your hearts be troubled. **Believe in God; believe also in me.**" (John 14:1-2)

Many are more like Philip. He did not recognize Jesus for who He is!

Jesus said to Philip: "Have I been with you so long, and you still do not know me, Philip? **Whoever has seen me has seen the Father.** How can you say, 'Show us the Father'? Do you

not believe that **I am in the Father and the Father is in me?** The words that I say to you I do not speak on my own authority, but the Father who dwells in me does his works. **Believe me that I am in the Father and the Father is in me, or else believe on account of the works themselves....**" (John 14:9-11)

A Jewish leader, Nicodemus, came to Jesus after dark and said: "Rabbi, we know that you are a teacher come from God, for no one can do these signs that you do unless God is with him." **Jesus answered him, "Truly, truly, I say to you, unless one is born again he cannot see the kingdom of God."**

Nicodemus said to him, "How can a man be born when he is old? Can he enter a second time into his mother's womb and be born?" Jesus answered, **"Truly, truly, I say to you, unless one is born of water and the Spirit, he cannot enter the kingdom of God.** That which is born of the flesh is flesh, and that which is born of the Spirit is spirit. Do not marvel that I said to you, **'You must be born again.'**" (John 3:2-8)

Remember "Doubting Thomas"? **Are you a doubter? Thomas said:** "Unless I see in his hands the mark of the nails, and place my finger into the mark of the nails, and place my hand into his side, I will never believe." (John 20:25)

Eight days later, his disciples were inside again, and Thomas was with them. **Although the doors were locked,** Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." Then he said to Thomas, "Put your finger here, and see my hands; and

put out your hand, and place it in my side. **Do not disbelieve, but believe.**"

Thomas answered him, **"My Lord and my God!"** Jesus said to him, **"Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have believed."** (John 20:26-29)

Jesus said to him, **"I am the way, and the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me.** (John 14:6)

**Either Jesus was who he said he was or he is a liar. Each of us makes the decision to believe and accept Jesus as Savior and Lord or reject Him. By not accepting we are rejecting!**

**"Repent" is another term made fun of by Hollywood and others. Repent literally means, to make a 180 degree turn from one direction to another. Being "Persuaded" that Jesus is who the Word tells us that He is ("God come**

**in the flesh") and repenting of a sinful life and turning to the salvation provided by God in Christ Jesus.**

**"...for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God, and are justified by his grace as a gift, through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus, whom God put forward as a propitiation by his blood, to be received by faith". (Romans 3:23-25)**  
**"For the wages of sin is death, but the free gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord". (Romans 6:23)**

**Going to church, your place of worship, Bible study or anything else does NOT save us anymore than swimming in the ocean or a lake makes us a fish. We must be "born again"!**

**Thank you for reading and deciding to follow the Lord!**

*Alex Miller*  
*August 11, 2015*

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Calvary Chapel;

Hello! My name is Ray Douglas and I'm an inmate clerk for the religious Services Department at Two Rivers Correctional Institution, which is located in Umatilla, OR.

The reason I'm writing you is to let you know how Moving On Ministry has touched lives here at Two Rivers.

When I started as a clerk, we didn't have any information on ministries that were willing to work with inmates. There were a couple of ministries that sent books or newsletters to us, but this was because the ministries took the initiative to just send us stuff. If a resident here asked us for information regarding a particular ministry, we couldn't help them because we didn't have a database of any kind.

After I was hired, my boss told me to make listings more available. As I dug around through a listing my family sent me, I found Chaplain Bob & Linda at Moving On Ministry. Right away they sent me their newsletter "Letter From M.O.M." (brilliant name – who doesn't want mail from mom?), "Pen-pals from M.O.M. (now discontinued) and "Resources From M.O.M."

Receiving these started me on a 3-year old, which is still ongoing, search for ministries to help us point the way to our wonderful master, Jesus. This has allowed myself and others to put together ministry handouts that have qualified and verified information.

As this project grew and some handouts were given out, we found out many inmates didn't know what to expect from ministries. Linda took her valuable time to help me turn the handouts into guides to help the inmates and to help the ministries that were being contacted. Three guide samples were sent with this letter.

With help from Bob and Linda, we've been able to have a huge database. We have a newsletter registry so guys can sign up for any of 17 newsletters from various ministries. We get books all the time and Bibles to hand out. They've been the catalyst that has helped our available resources grow.

My prayer is that you will be able to support and continue to support Moving On Ministry. They make a real kingdom difference and even have me looking toward being in ministry when I get out of prison.

Thank You for your time.

**Ray Douglas**

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Dear Moving On Ministry;

Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ. I hope and pray that this letter finds you and all that you hold dear. Blessed in good measure, pressed down, and shaken together and running over. As this letter leaves me, God's abundant blessing continues to rain down on me.

I continue to be blessed and highly favored, in a mighty way. One of my greatest blessings is you finding it not robbery for you to spend your time sharing a part of your life with me. I don't take it lightly or for granted.

As always it's so good receiving the newsletter. It's always filled with gems and nuggets of wisdom and inspiration. I truly hope that this ministry yoking together with a church will only enhance the vision that God has placed on your heart. I'm cognizant of the fact of how difficult an undertaking this ministry is. I'm sure at times the task placed on your shoulders can feel overwhelming. But know that there are many people standing in the gap, for and with you. . . . . **Carroll A. Watkins**

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Calvary Chapel

I wanted to write and thank you for the support you give to M.O.M. (Moving On Ministry). Their quarterly newsletter has been a bright spot in my incarceration. God has worked through Bob and Linda to show me that I am not alone. I have Christ walking with me. Although the newsletters may cease, (I pray at some point they may resume), I will hold M.O.M. in my heart. Again thank you for your support. You may never know in this lifetime how many men's and women's lives you have touched. However, God has a special place in Heaven for all of you. Thank you. **Josh Wade**

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"If you wait until you can do everything for everybody, instead of something for somebody, you'll end up doing nothing for nobody."

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You're Not Alone  
By Larry Anthony Harris

So many people do not believe in  
The name of Jesus Christ  
It is because of all the troubles  
That has happened in their life

I felt so convicted and ashamed  
For all the sins and wrong I've done  
But I have faith that God will finish  
The works that He's begun

There are some who believe in Him  
Who backslid and turned away  
The bad things that happened in this life  
Made them loose their faith to pray

So many people do not believe in  
The name of Jesus Christ  
Well I'm a living witness  
That God can change your life

Some speak to me the words of defeat  
During this storm I'm going through  
I then reply with my head up high  
That I have faith and you should too

For every problem I've had in life  
God has moved them all away  
That is because of giving up  
I chose to fight and pray

In this life I live I have struggled  
I have seen so many rainy days  
There's times I would have given up  
But instead I cried and prayed

God has never let me down  
In all the storms that I've gone through  
God has been so good to me  
And he will do the same for you

The devil whispers in my ear  
There's no way I can go on  
Then it appears as I pray in tears  
That God has left me and is gone

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**A young woman was about to finish her first year of college. Like so many others her age, she considered herself to be very liberal, and among other liberal ideals, was very much in favor of higher taxes to support more government programs, in other words redistribution of wealth.**

**She was deeply ashamed that her father was a rather staunch conservative, a feeling she openly expressed. Based on the lectures that she had participated in, and the occasional chat with a professor, she felt that her father had for years harbored an evil, selfish desire to keep what he thought should be his.**

**One day she was challenging her father on his opposition to higher taxes on the rich and the need for more government programs.**

**The self-professed objectivity proclaimed by her professors had to be the truth and she indicated so to her father.**



**He responded by asking how she was doing in school. Taken aback, she answered rather haughtily that she had a 4.0 GPA, and let him know that it was tough to maintain, insisting that she was taking a very difficult course load and was constantly studying, which left her no time to go out and party like other people she knew. She didn't even have time for a boyfriend, and didn't really have many college friends because she spent all her time studying.**

**Her father listened and then asked, "How is your friend Audrey doing?" She replied, "Audrey is barely getting by. All she takes are easy classes, she never studies and she barely has a 2.0 GPA. She is so popular on campus; college for her is a blast. She's always invited to all the parties and lots of times she doesn't even show up for classes because she's too hung over."**

**Her father asked his daughter, "Why don't you go to the Dean's office and ask him to deduct 1.0 off your GPA and give it to your friend who only has a 2.0. That way you will both have a 3.0 GPA and certainly that would be a fair and equal distribution of GPA."**

**The daughter, visibly shocked by her father's suggestion, angrily fired back, "That's a crazy idea, how would that be fair! I've worked really hard for my grades! I've invested a lot of time, and a lot of hard work! Audrey has done next to nothing toward her degree. She played while I worked my tail off!"**

**The father slowly smiled, winked and said gently, "Welcome to the conservative side of the fence."**

**If you ever wondered what side of the fence you sit on, this is a great test!**

**If a conservative doesn't like guns, he doesn't buy one. If a liberal doesn't like guns, he wants all guns outlawed.**

**If a conservative is a vegetarian, he doesn't eat meat. If a liberal is a vegetarian, he wants all meat products banned for everyone.**

**If a conservative is down-and-out, he thinks about how to better his situation. A liberal wonders who is going to take care of him..**

**If a conservative doesn't like a talk show host, he switches channels. Liberals demand that those they don't like be shut down.**

**If a conservative is a non-believer, he doesn't go to church. A liberal non-believer wants any mention of God and Jesus silenced.**

**If a conservative decides he needs health care, he goes about shopping for it, or may choose a job that provides it. A liberal demands that the rest of us pay for his.**

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**M.O.M. Ministry “Do’s and Don’ts”**

**What we don’t do:**

Send money to you or family  
Trade personal information  
Contact people for you  
Look up information on people  
Spend time doing research for you  
Set you up with individuals for romance

M.O.M. is NOT a dating service  
Do not do legal work  
Will not give our phone numbers  
Will not accept collect phone calls  
Will not send pictures  
Pen-pal list discontinued

**What we will do:**

Chapel service at prison facilities  
Ministry program for churches  
Transitional Planning class  
Send newsletters with S.A.S.E. (\$.49)

Take it to the Yard event  
Platform speakers  
Motorcycles  
Concerts  
Magicians

Send 56 page resource list with S.A.S.E  
#10 env. with \$1.15 postage  
6 X 9 env, with \$ .93 postage  
\$ .98 copying (\$.07 / 2 pages)

Contact Heather Layne about concert  
Print testimonies & artwork.

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