

The Parham Family

Missionaries to the Prisons

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Dear faithful friends and supporters,

We pray this letter finds you safe, healthy, and happy in the Lord. He has certainly been better to all of us than we deserve! It seems that everyday I find that His mercies are new and His faithfulness is unchanging! After 40 years in the ministry I can say that God has never let me down. There has never been a promise He has not fulfilled. There has never been a time He has not been there. There has never been a time when I was disappointed in His care!

Sometimes I stop to think of all the inmates God has let me see come to Christ over the years. I can see the many faces. I can hear their pleas for God's mercy and forgiveness. I can remember the lives that have been changed forever. Serving Him and doing His will has made my life worth living, and thanks to your help it has made life worth living for many more people who have been saved through our ministry.

My health has continued to deteriorate over the past year. Last May, while taking a walk around our neighborhood I fell and broke my elbow. I had to have an elbow replacement, but after 5 days in the hospital, 12 weeks of rehab, and 9 months of healing it should be as good as new (almost). The Doctor says that I may never regain full use of my arm. I am confident that God knows what He is doing in my life! Please continue to pray that God will give me strength for His honor and glory.

My wife's sister passed away on Friday, February 17th. She was only 42 years old and was diagnosed just a couple of months ago with stage 4 cancer. After the graveside service we stayed and wondered at how her life was cut so short. It seemed that in a brief moment, a life was taken from our family, leaving us with nothing but memories. Life is fragile and short and only what we do for Christ will matter in eternity. Pray that our lost family will see their need for Christ through this tragedy and through our lives. Also, pray that God will continue to use me in His work.

Let us therefore come boldly unto the throne of grace, that we may obtain mercy, and find grace to help in time of need. -Hebrews 4:16

In Christ,



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