


House of HOPE Ministries



Jail Ministry
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Every Year  
House of Hope  
Is serving over 9,000  
prisoners,  
ex-prisoners  
& their families  
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*"The supreme need
in Every Hour of
Difficulty is a
Vision of God"*

G Campell Morgan

"The Good Fight of Faith" by Michael & Margie Sgobba

"A VISION OF GOD IN THEIR HOURS OF DIFFICULTY" (Incarceration)

One of the Primary Missions of House of Hope Ministry is to **Reach Out in Love** and **Truth** to **Prisoners**, helping each inmate catch the Vision of God.

At times we succeed but other times we do not ! We pray for 100% success but this high success rate is rare! Every life matters. Every prisoner is important to us. Every inmate family is equally a priority. **We treasure every man or woman we work with in jail**, but at times this is not how the Ministry begins with certain inmates. Allow me to give you an example:

...an inmate wrote: "I loved my mother and showed her how much. I loved her by coming to this Hell Hole! Now she has to take the trouble and travel expense and time off from her job to come up here and visit me in prison. She's the only true friend I've got now." (Quite obvious, this man has not met Jesus yet.)

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"A VISION OF GOD...IN THEIR HOURS OF DIFFICULTY"

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The many, **and I do mean many** men I have met in the past 25+ years were this way in the beginning. I would start to see a change over a period of months or years of ministering. There were times when I would nearly give up on an inmate in jail. But the Lord showed me the need ... **"to stay the course"** with an individual **"to keep speaking to him and praying for him."**

So many times over the years, I nearly gave up on a man, but **God showed up**. The next meeting I would see the same individual, but he seemed to be radically changed. I still marvel, thinking **this cannot be the same prisoner!**

I was witnessing another miracle of God.
Be joyful in hope, patient in affliction, faithful in prayer.

Romans 12:12

The majority of prisoners have experienced a life full of disappointments, failure, resentment, fears, guilt, and very little to give them hope for a better life.

What do you say to such people **about a God who is loving & caring**; and **how do you explain the Savior's love and mercy** which offers a new life to a prisoner who has never experienced Him?

What does a prisoner see in you to make them believe we're different from all the other users or abusers they believed and trusted in the past?

We bring Hope in – His name is Jesus!

A volunteer said to me that **"I was bringing the face and hands of Jesus to the prisoners."** He had paid me one of the greatest compliments which encouraged me in my faith.

The Lord is still searching for lost souls to save!

He is looking for a few good men and women to speak Truth & Love into prisoners lives today!!

REALLY, THAT'S ALL WE DO!

How much does God love a Prisoner's soul or their family? What's their worth?

Jesus was the one who set our example.

He clearly spoke..."Just as the Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve, and give his life as a ransom for many (Matt 20:28)

We are His ambassadors in Jail or Prison, giving our lives, our time, ourselves for the glory of God! We are the representatives, exhibiting the **love and compassion of Christ**. We share His love with the **"Least of these my brethren"**. (Matt 25:40)

Nearly 2,000 years ago, Jesus spoke those words and they still ring true in 2015, "For such a time as this!!" I remember a quote, "there is no glory in retreat...warriors of God lay their lives on the line..." I try to live out the truth behind these words each day. **The Lord is our commander and chief, King of kings**, and we are all soldiers under military orders from our King, prepared to do battle with our enemy. (1Peter5:8).

Always be ready to answer!

House of Hope Volunteers serve during the week & evening services. "They lay their lives on the line for our King Jesus". We go into the cell-blocks in jails & prisons, speaking on behalf of our commander and chief! **"There is no glory in retreat" from the enemy."**

Would you consider Volunteering Inside? We are in need of both men and women to bring the 'Good News' to those who thirst for Him.

Would you consider joining our Pen Pal Ministry? "Writing a letter to a man or woman in

jail is a valuable, rewarding ministry to both the prisoner and yourself! Many people are not called to go into jail or prison. Writing a letter is a wonderful **way to encourage** a man or a woman inside.

Many men and women will be in prison for years. Some don't get one visit from a friend or family member. **I know this to be true** for many prisoners I've talked to.



Pastor Michael & Margie Sgobba

We are declaring a time of prayer for House of Hope volunteers & their families as well as the prisoners and their loved ones. We are very thankful for your prayers.

Would you consider giving an offering to House of Hope

Ministry? We cannot do what we are doing without your gracious gifts. House of Hope Ministry operates solely on your financial gifts.

I want to thank you for your faithful giving.

The House of Hope Team will keep up the **"Good Fight of Faith"** and **"Stay the Course"** in this new year...

God Bless You Richly,

Michael & Margie

Michael and Margie Sgobba (founders)

House of Hope Ministries is a Non Profit Charitable 501c3 Corporation Ministry serving inmates of jail, prison and after-care in Kitsap County and Washington State.

We ALWAYS NEED:

Bibles / Study-Bibles / Large Print Bibles
Christian Recovery Books / Christian Books

(All Books Soft Cover Only)

Eye Glasses (i.e. dollar store)
(No metal. Plastic only)

Volunteers
(Inside Ministries & Pen Pal Ministry)

Donations
(Cash – Check – Pay Pal)

HOH Serves over 10,000 inmates yearly!!

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