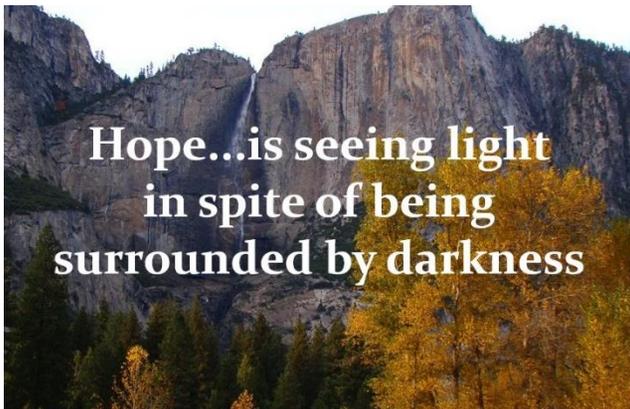


Inmates who establish and maintain positive relationships with people outside of prison are less likely to return to prison in the future, also improving the inmate's chances of successfully reintegrating into society when released. It's amazing how a small amount of communication with the outside world can improve a prisoner's outlook on life.

"Even the smallest communication is vital and can be therapeutic. The outlet of expression or the mere fact of being 'heard', means so much." Andy

"You have no idea how much I needed someone on the other end of this computer with an inspiring word." Tabitha

"Sometimes we don't feel love but experience condemnation. Thank you for not judging but allowing God to show you who I am now." Carlos



*I have swept away your offenses
like a cloud, your sins like the
morning mist. Return to me, for I
have redeemed you.*

~ Isaiah 44:22

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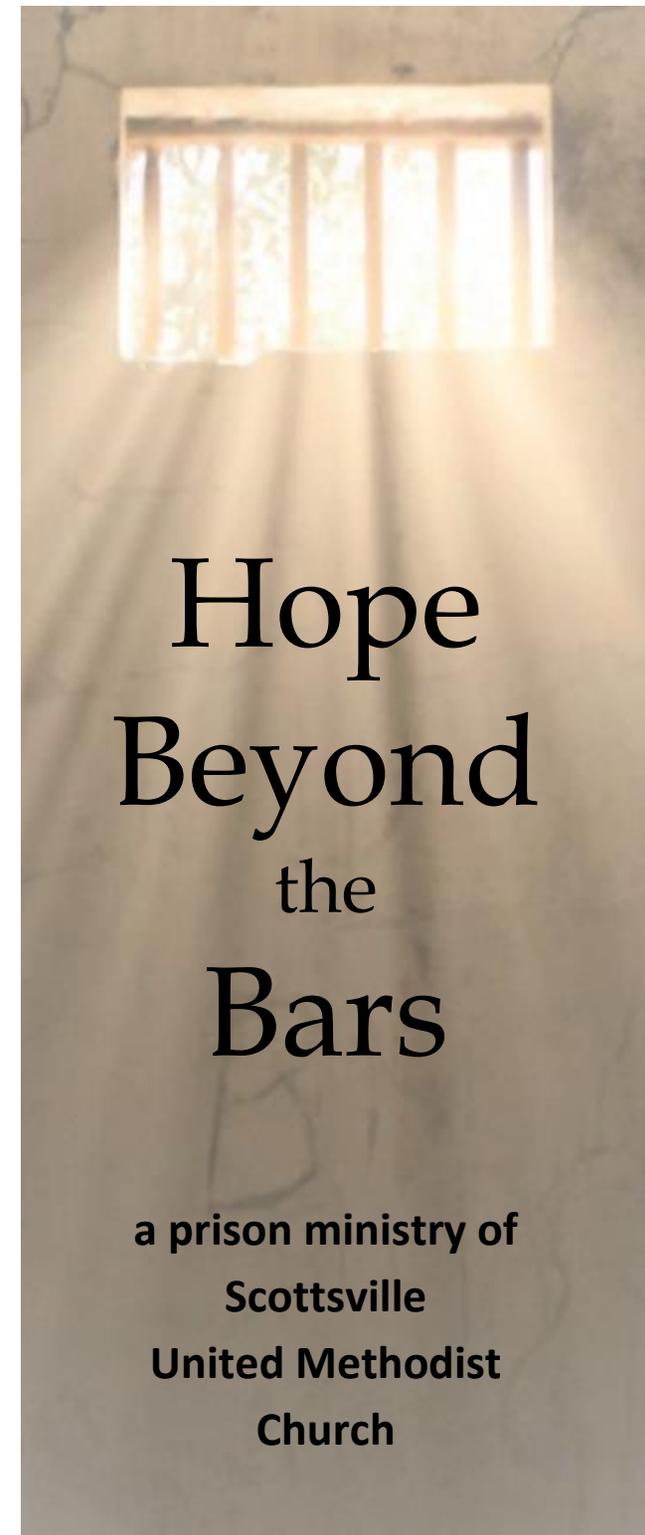
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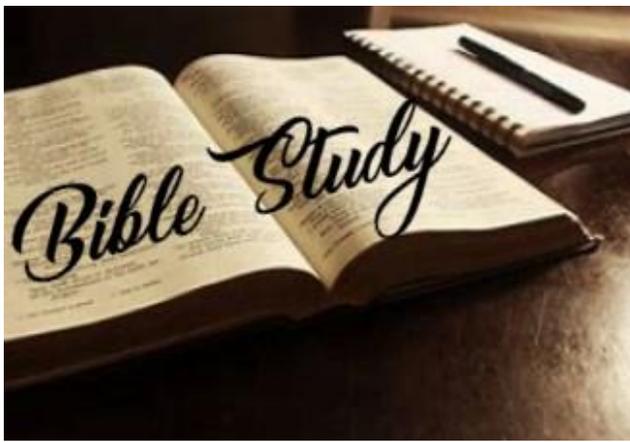
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Hope Beyond the Bars offers a unique, mail correspondence Bible study program. Inmates in the Virginia Department of Corrections are limited to one hour of organized religious activities per week. With our program, inmates can form their own study groups within their pods or study on their own in their cells for as long as they wish.

Study materials are provided along with email correspondence with the program director.

"The approach to Bible study by Hope Beyond the Bars is innovative and encouraging. The use of emails, letters, and supplementary reading material is a wonderful way to ensure the person doing a study that a team is invested in them, and that they are not alone. It has been an honor and a privilege for me to be fed, study, and grow in the Word of God with such a great ministry." Jesse

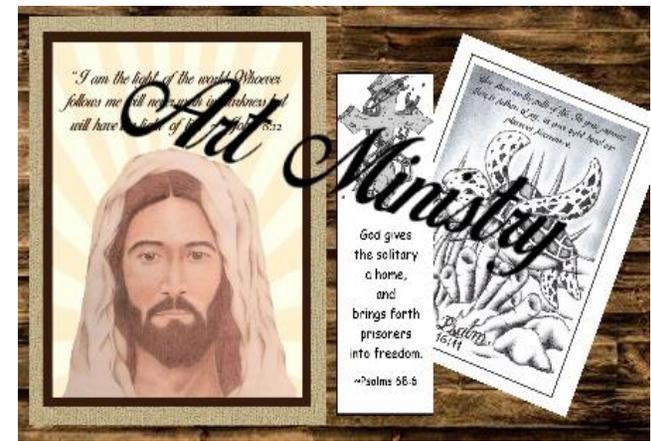
Would you like to help introduce more men and women to the Word of God

Ways you can get involved:

- Every card mailed, or gift given spreads awareness of our program
- Order our cards for yourself or your church card ministries
- Send cards or letters to an inmate
- Pray for our participants and their families
- Order brochures to share our program with your church or organization
- 1-year sponsorships for artists and Bible study participants are available for a one-time donation. For details visit our website or email Hopebeyondthebars@gmail.com
- Make a financial contribution to our general ministry fund and for every \$5 donated, you may choose a *Thank You* gift from our art gallery based on the size of your donation.

Artists whose artwork is chosen will receive a portion of your donation into their commissary account to purchase food and hygiene products.

Visit our art gallery on our website: Hopebeyondthebars.org
or visit the church office at Scottsville United Methodist Church 158 E Main St. to see the artwork in person



Hope Beyond the Bars art ministry is designed to introduce inmates to the glory of God through the gift of their own artistic talents.

Helping inmates realize the value of their God given talents can be the first step in seeing themselves as worthy - worthy of God's love, grace, forgiveness, and redemption.

Our program encourages inmates to use their time constructively to design unique pieces of art or poetry while requiring them to spend time in the Word to find a scripture passage to pair with each piece designed.

Donations for artwork will provide commissary funds for the artist to purchase food and hygiene products.

Helping facilitate the use of their talents into a marketable skill can give inmates a sense of purpose where few opportunities currently exist.