

## TITUS HOUSE MINISTRIES PO Box 2376 Tijeras, NM 87059 June 19, 2015

## **DEAR FRIENDS:**

We are well into 2014 with good news arriving for many. Please read each item below to see how God is blessing our office, many new releases who are finding jobs and being blessed.

CIRCLE OF CONCERN: February 9<sup>th</sup> 6:00 – 7:30: For everyone 18 years of age and older – The Clubhouse, Carlisle Plaza, 2901 Carlisle NE. Drive in and take the third right and you will see it. This has been arranged by Albert who just lost his wife and was happy to facilitate this location for us. Thank you Albert! The first half hour will be handled by Larry Neely, our paralegal who will discuss what you as a registrant should be doing. He will talk about current laws and regulations you should be aware of. He will answer questions about what to do when the sheriff knocks on your door, how to conduct yourself at the registration office and what RSOL hopes to accomplish this year. The next part of our meeting will be listening to your problems and the group suggesting for you what you can do. This is a true support group. Each person will have equal time and those present will make suggestions. Bring a note pad to write down pertinent information. This is not going to be a pity party but a working support group. My past experience with the national ToughLove will come in handy. Come in your jeans, bring a bottle of soda if you wish and please leave your kids at home. All adults in your life welcome. If on parole or probation be sure you get permission to come. This support group is the second Sunday of every month.

**BLESSINGS FROM BILL AT CHAPARRAL:** Blessings — What are they? A friend asks: "How are you?" You answer: "I'm blessed," or "I'm too blessed to be stressed." But can we really tell a gift from God when it's given? I can't. Looking back sometimes suffering has shown me more of Christ than joy and good times have led me astray. God's first, last and ultimate blessing is Jesus Christ. We are indeed blessed in Him.

**PRAYER NEEDS:** La Pasada has about 5 from our Bible study facing sentencing. We have prayed with many in the past and urge you to pray for peace of mind for these folks. They know if they are innocent or guilty but they want God's peace and sense of His presence while at La Pasada. Specific names for prayer: Tina, Jeff, Robert, Ryan, Mike, Santiago, Tony and Philip. God knows what they need. Thank you for lifting them up. Thank you for praying for Don and me as we share God's love at La Pasada and over the phone.

www.titushouseministries.org is our web page. Don has worked hard on this. Please check it out. Someday I will get rid of that picture of me with my mouth open! Oh, well – some of us are not born to be photogenic I guess. Even so, God can use us. Let's each pray for God to give us a vision of His plan for the rest of our lives. Thank you one and all for your financial and prayer support. Please keep it coming so we can help others. On the back of this letter I will entertain you with a typical day in the life of Don and myself trying sometimes in vain to be the people God wants us to be!

## A TYPICAL DAY IN THE LIFE OF TWO PEOPLE TRYING TO DO GOD'S WORK FOR TITUS HOUSE:

Waking up around 6:30, staggering to the kitchen looking for coffee.

7:30 – a call from my handicapped daughter, Janet, living in Pennsylvania who wants to know how we are. We check with her about her weather, then our weather and what she is going to do today. After hearing the news we tell her some stuff is in the mail for her and tell her we love her.

7:40 – Today we had a call from Los Lunas, an inmate who was a little discouraged. We tried to encourage him.

7:50 – We read our Daily Bread and prayed for this day.

8:00 – Don assured a man in Albuquerque he would be there soon to help him with some problems at his home.

I settled at my computer and soon got a call from Larry. We discussed the schedule for the upcoming Circle of Concern. We also discussed the extreme needs of RSOL and how to get more people involved.

TYPICAL DAYS also for me include answering letters (we get two or three a day), driving to the PO, doing some laundry, feeding the dogs, hauling wood into both the living room and the kitchen for our two wood stoves. Yes, I am capable of splitting wood with our axe! I thank Gary for helping out with this chore. Running the vacuum cleaner often takes a back seat to talking with an inmate on the phone. We get two or three calls a day. Each one is allotted twenty minutes per call. I have talked with those of you who imagine I am sitting in front of my computer when I am probably stirring something on the stove or struggling with a basket of laundry. I hang some of our clothes on a clothes line 50 feet up a hill behind the house.

There are a number of important events Don and I attend during the week: A Bible study on Friday night in which 25 or more people gather. Some of you off supervision attend with us. We are always in church Sunday mornings (no use calling us) and of course now the second Sunday night of the month we will be with all of you who can attend, so don't forget our **CIRCLE OF CONCERN, SUNDAY, 6:00 pm. SEE YOU THERE!** 

**OUR LOVE TO YOU ALL,** 

Don & Alice

