

**What does Rehoboth Jail & Prison Ministry Believe?**

**We believe:**

- The Bible is the inspired, inerrant Word of God, unchanged throughout time.
- In the Father, Son, & Holy Spirit.
- That God's Word, from Genesis to Revelation, is all true and that it is still relevant for people's problems and needs today.
- In the death, burial, & resurrection of Jesus Christ.
- That the only way to God and Heaven is through Jesus.
- Salvation comes from receiving Jesus Christ as your Lord & Savior and believing in your heart that Jesus is who the Bible says

**Rehoboth Jail & Prison Ministry  
Mission Statement:**

To establish and strengthen the Christian lives of inmates and their families through providing opportunities for:

- ◆ worship
- ◆ instruction
- ◆ nurture of children
- ◆ fellowship
- ◆ service
- ◆ mutual aid
- ◆ brotherly counsel
- ◆ evangelism

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***Rehoboth Jail &  
Prison Ministry  
Chaplain's  
Personal Testimony***

**Since 1987**

**Meeting the physical  
and spiritual needs of  
inmates and their  
families in a world  
that may have  
forgotten them.**



## This is a personal testimony about how Rehoboth Jail & Prison Ministry began by Ronald R. Baker, Founder, Chaplain, & Executive Director.

In 1978, after having been out of God's will for a long time, I was incarcerated for using and distributing controlled substances. I had turned to drugs to dim the reality of a failed marriage and the subsequent unlawful abduction of my two children by their mother. I had been awarded custody about one year prior to their abduction. She had remarried and wanted to visit the children. I agreed that it was a good idea, but after the third visit, she did not bring the children back. She called to tell me I would never see my children again.

I contacted the local and state officials, but no one would help me. She had moved to another state and I had no idea where she was. After a time of trying to do things through the proper legal channels, I became very frustrated at the lack of concern from law enforcement.

I began to try to drown my problems in alcohol, but that did not help at all. I moved on to speed because it had the effect of keeping me awake and messed up so that I wouldn't dream about my children. After depending on drugs for a while, I realized it would be profitable to buy drugs in larger quantities and sell them for money. I really had believed I would be getting my drugs for free.

As it turned out, I discovered nothing is really free and I paid a terrible price. I lost all consciousness of right and wrong. I had not been a very moral man before, but I

became much worse with the constant use of alcohol and drugs. I found I could justify everything I did. Since the law didn't care about my



Incarcerated men receive the inerrant Word of God

problems, I didn't care about the law. I got involved with people who used drugs and had very little contact with people that did not use them.

Eventually, my heart became totally hardened and all I cared about was being high. It showed in my work and my family life. I avoided being around my mother because of my condition. Most of my time was spent either searching for drugs or selling them so that I could get money to buy stronger drugs. Naturally, this chaos in my life, along with a complete disrespect for the law, landed me in court and finally, in prison. God, in His mercy, had given me a chance to escape the lifestyle of drugs, but I continued to choose it anyway. I ended up with four 5-year sentences which I was mercifully allowed to serve concurrently. This was miraculous as these offenses should have earned me much longer sentences.

I had accepted the Lord as my Savior as a young child and began my journey back to Him in jail, but I still did not turn over all my sin to God. I continued making destructive choices that I thought would not lead to incarceration again. I did not even think about the Almighty wanting me to turn over my entire life to Him. So, I left prison only to return to a life full of sin. Without Christ's direction, I was soon right back into a life of crime.

This time, I was incarcerated with a 13-year sentence, but as a parole violator, it would be a long time before I would see the outside of the prison fence. During those years, I really got into the Word. I began to notice a real concern in the hearts of the individuals working in the prison ministries. I watched how unselfishly they gave their time to bring the Word of God to sinners like me. I was "one of the least of these," but was not yet His servant.

I had felt God call me to the prison ministry during my first incarceration but had put it aside out of shame. Satan whispered, "How could Jesus ever use someone as sinful as you?" He did not say this to me in a supernatural voice; he used the voices of people I knew

as friends, the people I looked up to as being more in tune with the Father's will than I was.

After three times of being refused parole, I fell on my knees before God. He showed me that He wanted me to give up all my sin to Him so that He could use me in His service. Once I took this step, I was awarded parole. Through His power, I returned to the prisons to minister. This work eventually became Rehoboth Jail & Prison Ministry.

Do you have something you still need to turn over to Jesus so you can get closer to Him and be in the center of His will? God bless you all.



**Just one of many services at one of the VA Prisons**

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