

# His Love Ministries

## NURSING HOME, JAIL, AND PRISON MINISTRY

A Ministry Dedicated to Reaching out to those the World has forgotten

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### Staff Member Testimonial

Have you ever noticed that the words prison and prisons are used at least 75 times in the Scriptures? In addition, the words prisoner and prisoners is used another thirty three times. It is quite obvious to me that God had a bit to say about prisons and those who spent time there. In fact, Jesus even spoke of himself as being in prison and how favor would be shown to those who visited "Him" while he was there (Mt. 25: 31ff). Some of the Lord's choice men spent time in the slammer, men like Joseph, Jeremiah, Peter, Silas, James, John the Apostle, John the Baptist, and of course, the Apostle Paul.

There can be no doubt but that God has used jail and prison in the lives of a great many people, as a means of bringing them either into a relationship with Him or a closer relationship with Him. I have seen it time and time again. Think with me about those men who were there in that Philippian prison the day Paul and Silas were imprisoned. There can be no doubt but that their lives were forever changed by the testimony of these two strange men, and by God's awesome witness to their faith. Not only were the lives of these prisoners changed, but as you know; the jailer and his whole house came to know Christ.

I'm committed to the prison ministry because I have seen God meet men there every week since I have been going. Some men in there (prison) are insincere to be sure, but that's no different than what happens in every church in every city in all the world. I continue to go because I know that there will be men in there who are desperate for life change.

Thanks for giving us the opportunity to make a difference behind the fences and barbed wire.

Kenny Grant

**Thanks again for all you do to make this possible**

### 2007 Statistics

Decisions for Christ - 376	Preaching Services - 302
Bible Studies - 158	Individual Counseling - 261
Substance Abuse Programs - 35	Special Programs - 8
People Attending Services - 11,238	Bibles Given Out - 37
Number of Times Volunteering - 371	Churches Preached At - 3
Facilities Ministered To - 27	People Prayed With - 174

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### 2007 Ministry Accomplishments



**I would like to give praise to our wonderful Lord and Savior who has allowed this Ministry to be the instrument used in at least **376** professions of faith in 2007**

- ◆ **The Summerhill Baptist Association from the Dawson, Georgia area brought 13 people from about five different churches to Savannah in June and we ministered to six different facilities from Friday till Sunday. We ministered to Coastal Harbor, Greenbriar Children's Home, Westview, Tara and Savannah Specialty Care Nursing Homes, plus Coastal Men's Transition Center. Ministered to 219 people, and saw 12 saved.**
- **We now have two part-time and two full-time ministers (Marty and Tom Keller) working for His Love Ministries**
- **The GA. Department of Corrections recently recognized Marty as volunteer of the year in Savannah.**
- **We have increased our services from 54 a month (643 a year) to 82 a month (995 a year) since October 2006**

### SAD STORY

**I recently went to visit with an 86 year old man. I go by and see him as often as I am able to, but it is usually only once a week at the most. We were sitting around talking when his two dogs that are always around came up. He made the comment that he is so lonely most of the time and if he did not have those two dogs he said he would probably be dead by now from the loneliness he feels. I felt really bad, but I am not able to get out to see him very often, as he lives on the other side of town. It is so sad. They did a study in World War II when babies kept dying in the orphanages and they found out if they held them for about 10 minutes every hour they would thrive and grow, but if not, they would die. The same thing is happening to our older generation. One man's father said you can do anything you want to me, just don't leave me alone. So many older folks are dying of sheer loneliness. What is so important in our life that we leave all these dear folks alone to fend for themselves and die?**

### "Meet Our Newest Full-time Staff Member"

Hello! My name is Tom Keller. My wife's name is Amy. I have two children Ashley and Rebecca and I have custody of my niece Jordan Leigh Nix. Amy and I met in Augusta, GA. She was in the Medical College of Georgia and I was in the United States Army and stationed at Fort Gordon, GA. I chose not to reenlist because I wanted to study the Bible and enter the ministry. Amy and I married on August 3, 1996 after my first semester at Columbia International University in Columbia, SC. Upon graduation from CIU in May 1998, we moved to Raleigh, NC to continue my education at Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary. I graduated in May 2002 with a Master of Divinity and we moved to Savannah, GA in August 2002 by faith believing God called us to this city.

My name is Marco L. George. I am a native of Savannah; I graduated from Beach High School, attended Morehouse College in Atlanta, GA, and served six years in the United States Marine Corps. I have been actively involved in Gospel Ministry since 1988. I have been married for nine years and am the father of five children. I got involved with HLM in May of this year and started a weekly Bible Study at Greenbriar Children's Center. We saw a need to reach out to the young boys there in an effort to keep them from getting entangled in the correctional system. Having grown up with very limited contact with my own father, I know the void that can cause in the life of a young boy. I have tried to fill that void for these kids by being actively involved as a positive male role model for them. I have also taken them out to area events and concerts as well as sporting events. One highlight was a trip to Splash in the 'Boro in Statesboro, GA this past summer. At the Old Savannah City Mission, I have the opportunity every Wednesday to preach to the Homeless that come in for the afternoon meal. I have been well received there. I also serve as a mentor to the residents in the Urban Training Institute that is housed at the OSCM. The students in the institute seem to look forward to my weekly meeting with them. In addition, I alternate every other Tuesday between a Nursing Home and an Assisted Living facility both in Pooler. I have the opportunity to lead the elderly in worship by singing hymns and sharing the Word of God. We have seen over 30 people give their lives to Christ in the past few months.

*Marco L. George*

### Message from the Ministry Director

It is hard to believe that in December it will have been 10 years since God called me to minister to those the world has forgotten. It all started with one prison in December of 1997 and the nursing home side began in April 1999. God has done incredible things since then. I like to tell people that I am along for the ride and God is the one that leads and directs this ministry, I am just trying to follow the best I can. I have no idea how big this ministry will end up being. This ministry is in God's hands and wherever He leads, we are going to follow. I know I could have never conceived of and imagined that in 10 years we would be doing almost 1,000 services a month. We have two full-time staff members and two part-time staff. We are ministering to over 27 different facilities with 82 services each month. We have seen God work in incredible ways in the lives of those we minister to. Our goal is to train and involve as many men and women to share the love of Christ so that we can spread the Gospel to every person the world has forgotten in our area and beyond if God opens the door. **Philippians 3:12-14, 1Thessalonians 3:1 Marty McKenzie**

### "Meet Our Newest Full-time Staff Member"

We began my first Pastorate in February of 2003 at Wilder Baptist Church on the Westside of Savannah. We are still there today on a BI-vocational basis and God has allowed me to work with Marty McKenzie and His Love Ministries for the past year part time but as of October 1, 2007 I have become His Love Ministries 2<sup>nd</sup> full-time employee. God has allowed me to "takeover" from Marty most of the Nursing Home side of the ministry and I have expanded the ministry to include a Chaplaincy program. I also keep track of the birthdays of the people I minister to and I try to send them a birthday card donated to us by "Seeds of Faith".

I've also expanded the ministry to include working along side of Old Savannah's Gospel Rescue Mission where I mentor some of the former prisoners from the prisons Marty attends. I also teach at the mission's chapel on Fridays and I work very closely with Chaplain Greg Quarterman at the City Mission, which is a homeless shelter here in Savannah.

I appreciate Marty McKenzie and the faith he has in trusting the Lord to provide the funds to bring me on full-time. His Love Ministries does not have the funds to continue to pay me all year without your support. If I am forced financially to find a third job I will have to resign His Love Ministries because of the obvious reasons. The money you give goes directly to His Love Ministries so we can continue to spread the gospel on a full time basis. I personally preached 364 services last year and we are continuing to grow and expand. Your support allows us to continue and without your support, will reduce the spread of the gospel significantly.

We do not accept government money because we are not ashamed of the gospel and we believe those who love the gospel will pay to have the gospel preached. My wife as my witness, I can assure you that I am passionate about the gospel. I am always studying and engaged in theological debate as I wrestle with Scriptures. I read commentaries and books all the time and when I am not studying I am looking for a place to preach the message I received from my studies. I am always engaged in theological thought because your support has taken away all other distractions. Your support is not wasted on functions, entertainment, and worldly stuff. All money goes to the support of the proclamation of the Gospel and without your support I would be guarding a gas tank at the Savannah Port Authority rather than sharing the Gospel. I appreciate each one of you!!

I am also available to preach Spring and Fall Revivals at your church. This will give you the opportunity to see me in action and see for yourself whether the Words I preach are worthy of your financial support. It will give you the opportunity to meet me and see me as a Gospel Preacher. Perhaps my passion for the gospel and desire to expand even further to include preaching revivals after preaching 364 sermons last year will rub off on your church.

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