

“I believe that God has given to Teen Challenge/
Freedom Challenge a moment of time in history
that could literally change thousands upon
thousands of lives...

If ever there was a God given opportunity, it is
this work. It's a win-win for men, for the church
and for the Kingdom of God. For Freedom
Challenge to have the opportunity to minister to
the inmates of the correctional institutions is
nothing short of a miracle.

We need the Assemblies of God to marshal its
forces...that men and women will
not only come to know the Lord...
they will be disciplined in the ways
of Christ. Together, we will see
God do a supernatural work.”



Rev. Thomas Trask
General Superintendent,
Assemblies of God

How Can You Help?

- PRAY
~For open doors
~For laborers
~For financial support
- SUPPORT THIS MINISTRY
~Become a monthly supporter
~Give a one time contribution
~Purchase curriculum for a
student for 8 months.
~Schedule a service for
Rev. Don Starnes, Director
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- VOLUNTEER YOUR TIME
~Call to see how you can be
involved.

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FREEDOM CHALLENGE

More than a program...

We are in a unique time in
our
society. With the continual
reduction in funding for Amer-
ica's
prisons resulting in the cutting
of programs for inmates, cou-
pled with the efforts of Presi-
dent Bush with regards to the
“Faith Based Initiatives,” the
prison system is open to the
implementation of successful
rehabilitation programs for in-



Teen Challenge has one of
the highest success rates
among rehabilitation programs.
As an arm of Teen Challenge,
Freedom Challenge was devel-
oped to meet the need within
the prison system. With the pilot
program in Hutchinson, Kansas,
word is spreading quickly of the
impact on both inmates and the
overall environment of the facil-
ity. The time to seize the op-
portunity is now!

-Don Starnes, Director, Freedom Chal-

Freedom Challenge

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The need for consistent and effective programs in America's prison population has been an ongoing concern for many within the system. We believe that **FREEDOM CHALLENGE** will consistently help inmates with life-controlling problems; which time and again are associated with their offending crimes. **Freedom Ministries of Kansas, Inc.** was founded to assist the Kansas Dept. of Corrections through a variety of events and activities aimed at improving life within the prison and reducing recidivism through spiritual renewal. Freedom Ministries has impacted thousands of inmates.

Teen Challenge is a program assisting individuals struggling with life-controlling problems. There are over 175 centers in the USA and approx 250 in 70 countries abroad. Since its founding by David Wilkerson in 1958, this faith-based network has grown into the largest of its kind in the world.

In an attempt to respond to the tremendous need in America's Dept. of Corrections, both of these highly regarded organizations have partnered together to create **FREEDOM CHALLENGE**.

Many have found great support in practical religion while in the process of recovery from life-controlling problems. **FREEDOM CHALLENGE** seeks to facilitate healing and rehabilitation in inmates whose crimes have been associated with life-controlling issues.

Through the implementation of FREEDOM CHALLENGE into the Dept. of Corrections, we believe that inmates' lives will be changed; thus impacting both the individual and the facility in which they are incarcerated.

"He Whom the Son Sets Free is Free Indeed."

John 8:36



Mr. Duff, (Inmate, HCF)

"I entered Freedom Challenge for several reasons. First of all, I need the support and fellowship of mature Christians. I know I can't live this life as a 'Lone Ranger' Christian, so I need to be accountable to other believers. Secondly, I need to work through some of the issues that got me here. I still struggle with sinful desires and I worry about repeating my folly upon release. Thirdly, I want to develop a support system for when I am released. I need Christian mentors and friends who I can surround myself with when I get out."

"I have been in Freedom Challenge since March, 2005 and I have really grown in regards to my anger issues. I have learned that before anyone can hope to control his anger, he must first deal with forgiveness."



Mr. Wilson, (Inmate, HCF)

*"I entered Freedom Challenge with the understanding there would be growth...sometimes, painfully slow. However, the forward progress continues. It is a process. The result is a strong sense of feeling supported (and) of being important to one another. **SOMETIMES, I CAN ALMOST TOUCH THE PEACE.** Through Freedom Challenge and by declaring my own actions, I recommitted myself...I felt lost in this*



Mr. McKee, (Inmate, HCF)

life of prison... I thought 'God' wasn't listening, but 'I' just hadn't been hearing. I admire the true effort of each student and instructor. Their efforts are the roadmap for future success with Freedom Challenge..."

"Opening a Teen Challenge Center inside the Correctional Facility is one of the most significant opportunities of this decade...by taking Teen Challenge inside the prisons, the possibilities are unlimited.

This is one of the greatest God given opportunities I have ever seen."

Rev. Charles Hackett,
Executive Director,
Assemblies of God
U.S. Missions Dept.

