

# OUR FATHER'S PERSISTENT LOVE MINISTRIES, INC.

MINISTRY UPDATE

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*"Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation: the old has gone, and the new has come."  
2 Cor. 5:17*

## *Praise/Prayer Requests*

- \* Thank you for praying for our Indiana Conference. There were no big snow storms and we all had a great time being renewed and refreshed in learning how to minister to the problems of the world around us with the sufficiency of the Word of God!
- \* God is answering your prayers and bringing on new volunteers! This is a huge blessing to me! Two more ladies will begin serving in Middlesex County Jail in April! Isn't God good?!
- \* Thank you for praying for my health! My body is slowly healing. As long as I don't cheat and stay to my diet, my reflux stays under control. Hallelujah!
- \* If you have any blank cards laying around your house that you are not using, please consider sending them to the prison ministry. I'm all out and the girls in the jail are not happy about that. Ha! I have plenty of occasional cards, but am in need of the blank ones. Thank you!
- \* Please keep my support level in your prayers. The Lord has supplied for so many years and I'm so honored and humbled by Him for His provision!

## *Wagner & Pastor Viars!*

We had the privilege of sponsoring a Pastor from a small congregation in Costa Rica to come to the US and attend the Biblical Counseling Conference in Indiana this past February. Even though it was his first time to the States, and he didn't speak much English, he did a terrific job. Wagner met many new friends at the conference who are also serving in other Latin American countries. We are so thankful to the Lord that he was able to obtain a visa as they are not easy to get. Now we are praying that his wife Cindy will be able to come next year.



## *Biblical Counseling Group!*

So grateful for this group that sacrificed a week of vacation time to come to freezing Indiana in February to learn and be trained in Biblical Counseling! This was the largest group so far and I was personally amazed at how well everybody did and served each other. This conference is not for the faint of heart. We had five new people who never attended before and the word is out that, "we can't wait till next year!" Please pray about getting signed up for this conference. It will change your life and how you view church ministry!





### *Mike with Retired Warden Daniels and his wife!*

One of our board members celebrated “25 years” of ministry serving people behind bars. It was a wonderful time of celebration sharing testimonies of the impact that Mike has had on so many lives. He has labored so faithfully in Monmouth County Jail and the fruit that has come forth is amazing. We are so privileged to have such a Godly servant serving on OFPLM’s board of directors. May God continue to bless him and his wife Marji and may he be granted another 25 years if the Lord should tarry!

### *Welcome to the prison ministry team!*

We are so grateful when the Lord touches somebody’s heart to come and serve in the jails. We know it’s not an easy task and the commitment can be grueling. We are so excited about Christina coming aboard and serving in the Ocean County Jail. God has blessed her with such a sweet and humble spirit and a gracious husband that will allow her time to do this! She is married to Brandon and they have three children. They are involved at Calvary Chapel Cornerstone and are a blessing to the church body there. Please keep Christina and her family in your prayers!



### *Did somebody say . . . “Snow”?*

I don’t know about you, but where I live we must of gotten about three feet of it. Although I love the snow, I had to cancel two prison ministry events that weekend. Bummer! But what Satan meant for evil, God meant for good. At the height of the blizzard, I looked out my front window and noticed that my newest neighbor was shoveling my walkway. I was so pleasantly surprised! I don’t think that has ever happened in all the 18 years I have lived in my condo. Now, I was motivated to get out and help others. It was a wonderful opportunity to meet more of my neighbors and share the love of the Lord Jesus by helping them get shoveled out. Ohh . . . kay, I am now seeing God’s blessing from the snowstorm!

### *Family time!*

I was so happy to be able to have the time to drive out to PA for a few hours to visit with my nephew Brian, his wife Renee, and their little bundle of energy Eden. What a joy she is! They are living in Missouri now and we do not get much time with them. Renee does a fabulous job of posting pictures on FB, so we are able to see how much their little family is growing. They are a part of a wonderful church out there and are busy serving the Body of Christ.

