## Merry Christmas and a Blessed New Year!



Dear Aglow Prison Ministry Friends,

As this year is quickly coming to an end we want to thank the Lord for His faithfulness to bring good news to the afflicted, to bind up the brokenhearted and proclaim liberty to captives and freedom to prisoners. To proclaim the favorable year of the Lord, and the day of vengeance of our God; to comfort all who mourn, giving them a garland instead of ashes, the oil of gladness instead of mourning, the mantle of praise instead of a spirit of fainting so they will be called oaks of righteousness, the planting of the Lord that He may be glorified. Is 61:1-3.

Over 2000 incarcerated women in California are reached monthly through the unconditional love and Christian fellowship of CA Aglow Prison/Jail Ministry and the giving of many who have a heart for those hurting, abused, forgotten women, women who feel they have no value or sense of dignity. They are women who made mistakes. These beloved women are precious to the Lord, He works mightily on their behalf, saving them and setting them free from their bondage of sin, fear, shame, grief and pain. Verse 7 says: Instead of their shame they will have a double portion, and instead of humiliation they will shout for joy and everlasting joy will be theirs.

Below is a testimony written by one of those women, who once was lost, but has been found, was blind but now she sees. One of thousands the Lord has touched and saved through the sacrificial giving, prayer and time of friends and volunteers like you.

Thank you so much for your giving and may you receive a 'double portion' and everlasting joy in 2012.

## **MERRY CHRISTMAS!**

In His Service, Jill Meskimen and Ca Aglow Prison/Jail Ministry Team



Hello my name is Cheauvon, I am a 42 year old Christian woman who has fallen in love with the Lord. He planted a seed and anointed me to reach the lost and broken.

He captured my heart and overwhelmed me with his love.

As women, we have a lot of strongholds. I would like to help women find the spirit of HOPE, to motivate and empower them; this has become my heart's desire. We are the princess of the MOST HIGH GOD, I love getting closer and closer to the Lord.

My heart was changed while I was incarcerated in Valley State Prison.

When I first arrived in prison, deep sorrow crippled and weighted me down and I was almost destroyed. I called upon Jesus Christ to be my Lord and Savior. I refused to let satan use me as part of his history to steal, kill and destroy God's Kingdom. God pulled me up with His mighty Arm and pulled all those burdens off me. He poured out His healing and restoration.

Prison can be a very dark place. I saw a lot of depression there. Many of the women have been in dysfunctional cycles of domestic violence and bad relationships. They lost sight of "who" they are in the midst of the storm, and many have lost their children. God gave me a heart for these hurting Mothers. I was able to share my gifts with those seeking to restore their families through "Mothers to Mothers Alliance. Now I desire to produce fruit for His Kingdom of Righteousness. **John 15:16** "You have not chosen me, but I have chosen you that you go and bear fruit, and that your fruit will remain

**John 10:10**. Now, I walk with my Father in splendor, spirit and truth. I have the privileges of His glory and majesty manifesting in my life. **Genesis 50:20** says: "You intended to harm me, but God intended it for good. He brought me to this position so I could save the lives of many people." God uses His Word to break the yokes of bondage from mental, emotional and physical illnesses, and from the addictions and generational curses that satan tries to cast upon us.

Jesus Christ died on the Cross for my sins and has promised me eternal life with our Father in Heaven. I received the blessings of my heritage! I am a Princess of the most High God, a treasure and a jewel. I am precious to Him and I walk in liberty and faith. Isaiah 54 says: "No weapons formed against me shall prosper". His Word is truth!

Today, my everyday life revolves around healing, restoration and recovering my two children. I stay very connected to the positive circle that the Lord has put before me. My church, the organizations that I am affiliated with (JNOW, CCWP and LSPC) and the one ministry that I really grew under, Aglow Prison Ministry. It was through Earlene Leming and this group of awesome women that I discovered who I am and the treasures that are in me. After paroling, I continued my work with Mothers to Mothers Alliance, and I keep in contact with Aglow Prison Ministry, who is still a real blessing in my life.

My ongoing goal is to continue my education, so I can grow and help out society more. I am seeking my associate's degree in Human Service in 2012. My life is dedicated to being His servant in all areas of life. My hope is that I can keep producing fruit for his Kingdom. John 15:16 "you have not chosen me, but I have chosen you that you go and bear fruit, and that your fruit will remain. If my hardships and trials can help deliver one person to the kingdom of heaven, than my mission is accomplished.

Aglow Prison Ministry is a non-profit Christian Organization affiliated with Aglow International. All gifts are used to preach the Good News of Jesus Christ to those incarcerated and in chains and to help those who have gotten out to follow Christ and get established in society. Aglow Prison Ministry is run by volunteers. No gift is too small. May the Lord Bless you!



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