

Ministries

Our Mission is simple, we share the HOPE and the compassion of Jesus, with women in prison in our letters. Our Purpose is to guide women into a relationship with Jesus.

Our Goal is to disciple women and help them grow in Christ. Our team of letters writers live 5 states outside of Nebraska & are quite diverse, however our desire to encourage women in prison is what draws us together.

Want to get involved? Be a letter writer Be a prayer supporter Be a financial partner Simply go to www.lohm.info/get-involved

In our Post Office box...



"I sincerely appreciate you for taking the time out of your day to write me. Thank you for being a positive Christian role model for me! "Lisa @ NCCW

Something to Ponder Happiness is not by chance, but by choice. Jim Rohn

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## <u>~ ~ ~ December 2023 ~ ~ ~</u>

Praise the Lord! THANK YOU for investing and partnering with LoHM to impact the lives of women in prison as we write faithfully each month.

Your partnership in November made it possible for us to be able to send a copy of "*New Every Morning*" devotional to ALL 80 ladies that our team writes!

"Forget about the problems of yesterday—-start fresh today and harness HOPE for tomorrow with this encouraging collection! Speaking to the issues women care about most, these stirring meditations, inspiring Scriptures, memorable quotations, and heartfelt prayers will remind you that God is faithful, and His mercies are new every morning. "



Randy & Jill Langemeier, LoHM partners in Alliance, NE shared the following.... "We love what you are doing with this ministry. We feel like the dollars we manage while here, on this side of eternity, are being put to good use by Letters of Hope."

We want to give A HUGE THANK YOU to ALL of our LoHM Partners!! When You PARTNER with LoHM, you too are impacting lives of women in prison with the HOPE & Love of the Lord Jesus.

Sending Christmas Blessings to you this Wondrous Season





Lorri Wallace, LoHM Board Member, letter writer, wife, mother of 3, shared her testimony at our December Meeting Ps 69:33 "For the LORD hears the cries of the needy; he does not despise his imprisoned people."

Matt 25:34-40. Heb 13:3 "Remember those in prison, as if you were there yourself."

Lorri began, "My testimony allows me to remember as if I was there myself. Going in and out of county jails from 2010-2016, I have had experience with being incarcerated. I am able to relate to the pain and trials that come along with the consequences of

addictions, wrong choices leading to incarceration"

In 2016 I was called by the Lord to write and encourage the people I knew in jails and prisons. To share with them that Jesus can restore their lives, like He was doing with mine. Before I became a Letters of Hope writer, I was writing a lady in York named Sarah. I knew her in 2008 when my brother got married, she was a bridesmaid in their wedding.

In 2014 Sarah was sentenced 70 years to life in prison. My brother did not feel comfortable with his sister having continued contact with Sarah. Unfortunately, that is not uncommon with women after incarceration, they lose most of the friendships and relationships in their lives. Well, my sister-in-law heard I was writing inmates and mentioned Sarah's situation to me wondering if I would start to write her too, and I did.

Sarah and I developed a friendship that has grown over the years, all glory to Jesus. Continued on page 2 (*Sarah continued*) ... My Dad, bless his heart, started to write Sarah to show support from our family and encourage her walk with the Lord.

Sarah has a unique position in the Kingdom, she is a believer behind bars. She has the ability to demonstrate her faith and...her walk with Jesus to other women who have less time than her. She also plant seeds of faith to women while being in unimaginable circumstances.

Sarah stays in the Word, goes to church, and attends programs offered. I asked her to share some things she is currently doing to grow her faith and she answered. Sarah wrote,

"Things I do to encourage my faith is just connecting with other believers and encouraging one another in our situation. I also lead the Prayer team here. "

"We meet weekly to pray over handwritten prayer requests the population write throughout the week. The letter writing is something we all touch base on, share scriptures with each other and anything else we receive from Letters of Hope with one another. It gives us a sense of still being a part of the body of Christ out there while we are in here. It sheds light on to my dark moments...."

Lorri continues, "Being a letter writer impacts the ladies we write. Our letters uplift and strengthen our sisters in Christ. The ladies look forward to our letters and gives them HOPE! Hope in Jesus and His promises! We may not see or hear about the fruits of our letters, but God does! *He is using our faithfulness, and His Word will not return void. Hallelujah!* "

In 2018, Sarah was invited to prepare a **Tedx** Talk. **Tedx** is a nonprofit devoted to spreading ideas usually in the form of short, powerful talks.

We have Sarah's **TedX** for you. Listen as she shares her fears and emotions, and how God has helped her in her journey of faith behind bars. Be Richly BLESSED!

"From Hopeless to Hopeful" Sarah Cullen @ https://www.ted.com/talks/sarah\_cullen\_from\_hopeless\_to\_hopeful

Our 11th Annual Letters of Hope Volunteer Appreciation Breakfast



What a Mighty God We Serve should be our theme song! Every year since 2012, God has steadily grown the ministry and bringing together women together for the purpose of sharing His Powerful Word, full of HOPE, with ladies in Prison.

When you have listened to the TedX link above, you will know that there are many other names that most families and/or friends have called them. However, God sees these ladies as He created them and offers them a new name – "Child of God"

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