

Conquering Life Prison & Recovery Ministries, Inc.

2017 Ministry Highlights **Jeremiah 29:11**

We thank God for His provision through 2017. We also want to thank all those who have supported this ministry prayerfully and financially, and all who have sacrificed their time, gifts and resources to volunteer. Without you we wouldn't be able to do what God has called us to do—**lead people to Jesus Christ!**

Prison Ministry

- The main objective of this ministry is to make sure the inmates we minister to, know Jesus Christ—not just **about** Him, but **know** Him personally. **In 2017** we helped lead over **250 inmates** to the Cross to receive salvation and several hundred made re-commitments. This year we've ministered to over **8,000 inmates**. Praise God!
- Our Pen Pal team has corresponded with several inmates across the country.
- We gave out over several bibles this year and Daily Breads every 3 months.
- Currently 14 volunteers from **five different churches** make up the prison ministry.
- We helped several inmates who were released get housing and into short and long term programs.
- We were in the prisons for **140+ church services in 2017!** We lead worship in Philadelphia Prisons every Tuesday evening and the first, third and fifth Wednesday evenings each month. We also lead a Spanish service in Fort Dix Federal Correctional Institution every Wednesday evening and 4 services in SCI Chester, PA
- In 2017 we had **over 15 guests** visit the prison. Some have shared with the inmates and others have witnessed what we do as a ministry inside the walls.
- In 2017 we have disciplined men one-on-one in Bucks County Prison through the Drug and Alcohol Department at BCP. Also we started the New DeRose Scholarship Fund for inmate release at BCP
- In Early 2018 we now have a Team Cleared for the Drug and Alcohol Program at BCP for mentoring and Recovery Block Life Recovery 12 Step Bible Studies

Recovery Ministry: Conquering Addictions

- **Conquering Addictions Meeting** has been one of the most important parts of CLPRM's ministry. The objective of this outreach is to help those who are struggling with addiction and to help them know Jesus Christ in a personal way. So many try to get better on their own, but we know it is only through the power of God and His Word that they can receive deliverance from their battle of addiction. We gave out over 300 Life Recovery Bibles 2017. Teaching the 12 Steps every 3rd Friday in Bensalem (2 Times a month in 2018) and every Thursday at Urban Hope Training Center Phila., Pa.
- **Conquering Addictions meets every Friday night at Christian Life Center 3100 Galloway Rd Bensalem, PA at 7pm and Every Thursday night 7 pm** at Urban Hope Community Center 203 E. Tioga St Philadelphia, Pa
- We have **an average of 40 to 60 men and women attending each meeting**. There are several attendees who have been powerfully affected by this ministry by staying clean their lives back together.
- We had **four Recovery Service Luncheons in 2017, sponsored by Woodside Church** 1667 Edgewood Rd. Yardley, PA. **Woodside** who opened their doors to the recovery community to offer a service with powerful worship and testimonies, and a buffet luncheon. Thank you **Woodside!** They will continue in 2018.
- **We helped over 50 people into treatment** (detox, rehabs, and recovery houses) in 2017, sticking with them through the entire process. **We gave 38 Scholarships from our Inmate Release and Recovery Scholarship Fund** (for those newly released from prison and those in addiction.) **We used \$10,500 of that fund in 2017** to help get these men and women into local Christ- centered treatment and begin to get their lives back on track.
- This ministry has been much more than our Road to Recovery meetings. **We've made ourselves available almost 24 hours a day at times** for those who are struggling with addiction. We've spent countless hours on the phone and meeting with families and encouraging those who are reaching out for help. **We've fielded over 500 crisis calls and have helped well over 30 families through the process of treatment and recovery for their loved ones.** It can be exhausting at times, but worth every minute when we can see lives changing by the power of God.
- **The Self Help Movement (a men's rehab) in Phila,** Conquering Addictions Meeting is every **Tuesday 1pm, Wednesday 1pm, 7pm and Thursdays 7pm.** Also providing music for concerts and Revival weekends at Self Help on the **2nd Sundays at 5pm. Also a New Christian Movie night on the 3rd Saturday.**

Conquering Grounds Café: Coffee House Ministry

Conquering Grounds Café, our monthly coffee house ministry, reaches out to individuals and families who have been affected by substance abuse. **In 2017 we continued to average 150 people attending this FREE event held 1 Saturday of the month** at 7pm in The Edge Building at Christian Life Center, 3100 Galloway Rd., Bensalem, PA.

- Since we launched Conquering Grounds Café in January 2011, it has become an important night for those in the recovery community. God has blessed us with MANY gifted musicians who have shared their time, talent and testimony. Through the Word of God and testimonies that are shared at intermission, not only have audiences been entertained, they've heard about the victory that comes from following Jesus Christ. We've featured outstanding Christian bands like **Dana Isles, The Raymond Lee Band, Dominic Cox, Beckoning and many more...**
- Each month a dedicated team of volunteers sets up, cleans up, serves food and beverages, runs sound, and does whatever it takes to make the coffeehouse run smoothly. Thanks to each of you! You are a tremendous blessing!
- As we begin our 8th Year at Conquering Grounds Cafe, we thank God for what He's done so far and are excited to see what's in store for 2018. And we re-commit to reaching out to the recovery community by offering a safe, uplifting and entertaining place to hear exceptional Christian artists who proclaim the gospel with truth and power.

Conquering Addictions Hour on City of Angels Recovery Radio

The Conquering Addictions Hour on www.coaradio.com hosted by CLPRM's Bob, Royce and Tracy was so much fun being able to share the Gospel and the 12 Steps from the Life Recovery Bible with the recovery community around the world.

- The show can be found in the archives on www.coaradio.com You can click on Past Shows to listen to All of the programs or the archives of CLPRM. Thank You City of Angels NJ for allowing us to be a part of this amazing Outreach. www.cityofangelsnj.org
- Our Goal will be to do an Addictions Radio show on real radio in the future.

5th Annual Conquering Grounds Outdoor Music Fest

On September 9, 2017 we held our Annual Outdoor Music Fest which is a benefit event to help fight addiction, on the grounds of Christian Life Center in Bensalem, PA again. With over 2500 in attendance, a Great Success.

- 7 Artists, testimonies, Guest Speakers, 60 vendors, 150 sponsors, 100 volunteers, 24ft Stage with Big sound and all the lights, food, kids play area and the Gospel of Jesus Christ.
- This was a benefit to help fight addiction and we raised just over \$15,000 to help those in our community.
- We are looking forward to the next event on Saturday September 8, 2018. If you would like to volunteer or become a sponsor of this Life Changing Event, please contact Bob at 215-833-2512

Miscellaneous

- **Our updated website** www.clprm.org offers plenty of information on the ministry of CLPRM, coffee house updates and resources that may be able to help someone you know who is struggling with addiction.
- The ministry of CLPRM meets every month to pray for the vision and direction of the ministry, and the needs and the concerns of the people we minister to.
- **Board of Directors:** **Bob Sofronski**, Executive Director; **Michael Howard**, Assistant Director; **Royce McKelvey**, Director of Follow-up; **Rick Cartagena**, Director of Evangelism; **Scott Burgess**, Treasurer; **Nancy Lion**, Secretary; and **Pam Hayward**, Prayer Coordinator

Our Mission: *Conquering Life Prison and Recovery Ministries, Inc. is a nonprofit 501c3 organization dedicated to helping those incarcerated and to stop substance abuse in the community by offering support to those actively struggling with addiction, as well as to their families. We offer recovery meetings, resources, counseling, and referral services to those who wish to seek treatment.*

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Would you prayerfully consider supporting this Life-Changing Ministry!