

PRAISE

the Lord for:

- ★ A number of commitments coming into the office from Australian prisons
- ★ The Challenge Board as they each bring valuable gifts and skills to the table. There is a oneness of direction and we are thankful to the Lord for this
- ★ Ongoing financial gifts coming in for our Impact Africa mission trip. These will be used to bless a number of ministries we work with while in South Africa
- ★ Another journalist joining the Challenge team to assist in the production of the 62 editions of the paper annually

Our Mission

The mission statement of Challenge Literature Fellowship is "to bring the good news of Jesus Christ to the nation of Australia".

What is the good news of Jesus Christ, and why is it important to share it with the people of our nation?

The good news, the gospel, concerns what Jesus has done to save us and what we must do in response.

As for Jesus' actions, the good news is this: Jesus has done everything that needed to be done to take our sins away by dying on the cross and rising from the grave. This is the gospel: "that Christ died for our sins according to the Scriptures, that he was buried, that he was raised on the third day according to the Scriptures" (1 Corinthians 15:3-4).

As for our response, the good news is this: Everything Jesus has done for us is ours for the asking. This is the gospel: "Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved" (Romans 10:13).

There are two main reasons why we should share this good news with other Australians.

Firstly, our Lord commands us to do so: "Go into all the world and preach the good news to all creation" (Mark 16:15).

Secondly, our neighbours need us to do so: "Whoever believes and is baptised will be saved, but whoever does not believe will be condemned" (Mark 16:16).

But "how can they believe in the one of whom they have not heard? And how can they hear without someone preaching to them?" In truth, they cannot believe in the Lord Jesus unless they hear about him, and they will not hear about him unless we tell them.

We are God's messengers - he proclaims the good news through us. Our witness is the means by which he calls the lost out of darkness into his marvellous light.

This fact is both exhilarating and intimidating. Oh, that God should entrust us with the message of reconciliation! Oh, that our part in proclaiming the message is essential for the eternal well-being of those around us!

To heighten the thrill and to lessen the threat of witnessing for Jesus, Challenge Literature Fellowship offers you the latest issue of Challenge newspaper.

May the Lord bless you and bless others through you as you read it and share it. ■

Challenge Direct Deposit details:

BSB: 066162 (Commbank)
Account: 00900455

WWW.CHALLENGENEWS.ORG

PLEASE TURN OVER

Contact us by phone (08) 9453 3311 or fax (08) 9453 3006

Email: info@challengenews.org

PRAYER needed for:

- ★ Ananda and Grace Pula, leading the Challenge work in Malawi. Pray for Ananda who is working to gain entry into a number of prisons with the paper. Also as he travels in Malawi for the Lord's protection over Grace and the children at home
- ★ Will and Alejandra Herndon, using the Challenge newspaper in Argentina. Pray for distribution growth and greater support for Will and follow-up on responses
- ★ The sponsored edition of the paper into Peru. Planning is still taking place. Pray for it coming to fruition including a distribution network, and that people will be receptive to the gospel through the printed page
- ★ The leadership team of Impact Africa as they work through itineraries and logistics for upcoming trip to South Africa (June 30 - July 20)

USA PRISON EDITION

Praise!

In 2015, 407 Professions of Faith from prisoners who received the Challenge Prison newspaper and responded to the ad, How can I become a Christian?

There is an overwhelming need to supply Challenge Prison newspapers to prisons!

Challenge is now in Texas prisons along with prisons in Ohio, Florida, Alabama, and in Canada.

Prison Chaplains and prison ministries do not have the funds to support the Challenge Prison newspaper so we rely on donations from individuals, churches, and business to cover the cost of production, printing, and shipment of the prison newspaper.

Right now we ship a minimal amount of prison newspapers (between 50 to 100 newspapers) to each prison we serve along with mailing individual newspapers to a few inmates who request a subscription. Many prisoners read the newspaper and then pass it on to another inmate.

A friend and partner of Challenge newspaper, Willy Dengler, who ministers in South African prisons says it best. "The Challenge Prison edition gets into every prison, every cell, and ultimately every heart."

—From Challenge USA

Ongoing supply of testimonies

If you would like to share your testimony through the printed page please email carl@challengenews.org for further information

MY RESPONSE

Post to: Challenge Literature Fellowship, PO Box 978, Cloverdale WA 6985 or Fax to (08) 9453 3006

Name: _____

Address: _____ Post Code: _____

Email: _____ Phone: _____

With God's help I would like to be a partner in supporting the ministry at Challenge in the following way(s):

Prayer: Please send me updated prayer information

Financial: Please receive my:

Monthly Quarterly Yearly One time contribution of:

\$50 \$75 \$100 \$200 Other: \$ _____

To be used for _____

Please make cheques payable to **Challenge Literature Fellowship**

Credit Card: Visa Mastercard

Expiry Date ___ / ___

3-digit Credit Card Security Code _____

Name on card: _____

Signature: _____