

# ANSWERING THE CALL:

*"For I was in prison and you visited me."* Matt. 25:36

**January 2015**

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## 2014 Financial Snapshot!

January 2014	+\$785.11 (above expenses) ☺
February 2014	+\$2242.03 (above expenses) ☺
March 2014	<b>-\$394.82</b> (BELOW expenses) ☹
April 2014	+\$29.68 (above expenses) ☺
May 2014	+\$261.85 (above expenses) ☺
June 2014	+\$253.06 (above expenses) ☺
July 2014	+\$849.53 (above expenses) ☺
August 2014	+\$1258.99 (above expenses) ☺
September 2014	<b>-\$468.25</b> (BELOW expenses) ☹
October 2014	<b>-\$219.13</b> (BELOW expenses) ☹
November 2014	<b>-\$2348.67</b> (BELOW expenses) ☹

*(2014 Year End results will be published next month)*

**If you'd to help us to stay ahead of our expenses for 2015, you can send us your donation with your response slip enclosed. Thank You!**

(Contact us if you wish additional detailed information)

### *From The Founding Director: Tim Page*

I noticed the car had turned into the parking lot just ahead of me. The owner got out of the car and said, "Excuse me..." I was in the middle of my two mile morning exercise walk, but stopped to see what he wanted. I said, "Yes"... He said, "I see you walking everyday, and aren't you the guy who was always on the corner?" Again, I said 'Yes'. He seemed at a loss for words, and all he could say I, "I just wanted to say 'thanks'. He didn't say exactly what for, but he went on to say that he was one of the kids who'd walk by on his way to school, remembering carrying his backpack, and would stop on "cookie Monday's (Although he didn't remember it day of the week, but cookie, and also on day (Thursdays), to issue. Mostly in his kept repeating, told him my name out is Oscar. Apparently, some small incidental actions do make a difference in people's lives. He appeared to be in his late 20's, or early 30's. So this



by the name or I did!) and get a Sports Illustrated pick up the latest sharing, he just THANKS! So, I and his I found

would have been quite some time ago, although I have actually been at that same corner 'ministering' over some 20 years plus! When we work for the Lord, we shouldn't or can't expect people to thank us every time, or perhaps 'even at all', but God doesn't work that way. He does wish for us to know appreciation, and this day, He sent Oscar to stop his car, disrupt his daily routine, and make the effort to say, Thanks, and thanks, and ...thanks!

We hope that the articles in this simple newsletter will inspire you to contribute to the future years of Total Involvement Ministry.

God bless You, **Tim**

## God Calling

(From the book of the same name edited by A.J. Russell (ISBN#0-8007-8096-5) who considered it an honor to prepare for publication to the public, the words that two lonely women in England were given by the Living Christ Himself! They seek no praise and these 'two listeners' wish to remain anonymous. Perhaps like them, you will find that YOU are no longer one and alone, but united with the Great Companion and Guide,

### Relax

Relax, do not get tense, have no fear. All is for the best. How can you fear change when your life is hid with Me in God, who changeth not, and I am the same yesterday, today, and forever. You must learn poise, soul balance and poise, in a vacillating, changing world. Claim My power. The same power with which I cast out devils is yours today. Use it. If not, I withdraw it. Use it ceaselessly. You cannot ask too much. Never think you are too busy. As long as you get back to Me and replenish after each task no work can be too much. My Joy I give you. Live in it. Bathe your Spirit in it. Reflect it.

January 15<sup>th</sup> reflection

### **In appreciation for your support,**

We have the Holy Mass offered the last Wednesday of every month for YOUR intentions.

Next Mass **January 28<sup>th</sup>, 2015 8:30 a.m.**

As long as this ministry continues, we'll have Masses said!  
Send back your Mass intention slip TODAY!

# Supernatural Virtue of Hope

This column is a newsletter regular feature, from the book "MY DAILY BREAD". (by Rev. Anthony J. Paone, S.J. 1954).

## CHRIST MIGHT SAY:

**M**y child, one of the most wonderful virtues in your soul is the virtue of hope. I placed it there as a tiny seed at your baptism. It was to grow and help you through life's trials and difficulties. This is the virtue which makes you desire Me as the Highest Good. It inspires you to look forward to Heaven's unending joys, and confidently expect from Me whatever help is needed to gain eternal life. This virtue calms all fears and worries about your salvation. It helps you look to My power, see My goodness, and rely upon My love. It makes you firm and confident when doubts and difficulties tempt you to turn away from Me in despair. Supernatural hope makes you expect My help in your daily efforts to live a good life. This heavenly gift of hope, however, is incomplete without your sincere daily effort to fulfill My Will in your daily life. He who expects to gain eternal happiness without doing his part, is guilty of the sin of presumption. Hope makes your prayers more effective. I cannot refuse one who firmly and confidently expects My assistance in his real needs. The man of hope wants only what is really necessary for his final success. Even when he prays for an earthly favor, he wants it only if it will improve him or the person for whom he prays. The perfection of this virtue is a complete self surrender to My wisdom in all matters. The supernatural virtue of hope gives vision to the mind, strength to the will, courage to the heart, and endurance to the body. It makes one sure of victory because he relies upon Me, the all knowing, all powerful, all loving God. This wonderful virtue brings a sense of security to the soul. Work out your salvation in hope and fear not, for I shall never fail you.

## THINK:

**S**t Paul says that "We are saved by hope." How true! With such a virtue in my soul, how can I be lost? I will turn to God with a firm confidence. I will place my life in His hands by embracing all of His commandments, and by fulfilling His Will, even when it is disagreeable or difficult. God will not be outdone in generosity. He will supply whatever strength is necessary for this. Once I develop this holy virtue of hope within me, I shall know at last what it means to be free of fears and doubts. I shall then possess the peace of God

## PRAY:

**O** God of love, all powerful and all wise, I turn to You today in hope. I want to be Yours, as You Yourself want me to be. Let me prove my sincerity

by doing whatever is necessary to obtain this holy favor. You want to give me the supernatural strength to become ever more perfect in my daily life. You will never deny me whatever is truly necessary for my highest success. I desire to begin at last to live a life of loyalty to Your wonderful plan. If I look toward Heaven in my daily activities, many things will become easier. Sadness, discouragement, fear, and despair will never torment me. Lord, show me the way. I long to follow Your holy Will, along this road to peace and heavenly glory. True, You may lead me along rough paths at times, but I must not forget that my final destination is well worth the trouble. Amen.

## **A penny a minute!**

In our ministry, we make it a #1 Priority to always show appreciation for anything that people send to us, for their prayers or donations of whatever kind. Currently, it would cost 49 cents to send a first class letter, so we went to postcards (at 34 cents). Now we have a one-cent a minute phone card, or email to choose from (FREE!)... So, would you consider sending us your EMAIL ADDRESS or your phone number? Neither one will be shared with any outside sources! Just the cheapest way to say THANKS!

March 2014 -Our 26<sup>th</sup> Year of Ministry- February 2015

## Over 201,000 Rosaries distributed!

Although we have been distributing rosaries on and off to the men in prison for a long time, at times, we are NOT permitted to do so. Therefore, any rosaries sent to us, will be distributed to other ministries and activities (street ministry, abortion clinics, etc). We are very thankful to everyone who has sent us (and still does)

To date, we've distributed 201,070 Rosaries!

## **In God we Trust!**

Since our inception in 1989, not one person has even been paid to work for Total Involvement Ministry, and that includes our founder/director who devotes 100% of his time to this cause. This is because of the proposal he made with God when he started the ministry, "I'll give 24/7 (24 hours a day, 7 days a week) to serving Your people, and You (God) agree to provide for the necessities of life." God can be trusted for our regular Daily Providential needs. There are different ways that you can help us, but our primary need is always for 'workers for the vineyard' We hope that you'll take the time to reply to this newsletter and let us know how God might be calling YOU to help. Thanks!

Please consider helping us to meet our monthly obligations with your regular prayers.

**Consider as part of your tithing:  
Total Involvement Ministry  
of your 'first fruits' back to God!**

## **Be a Pal! Become a PEN PAL!**

Make a positive difference in YOUR own life and in the life of an incarcerated individual. Become a PEN PAL.

Contact our office (818) 893-7059 for additional information.

## **Prisoner's Prayer Request: Would you PRAY for them?**

Every Saturday, volunteers led by one of our Board Members, visits a maximum-security prison. This is one prayer request that was submitted for your prayers.

We currently write regularly to a few men in prison, (Fred/James/Manuel) two of which are to be released this coming 2015 and 2016. Please include them in your daily prayers. They are anxious to return to society with a renewed faith and trust in God. Thanks!

## **Let's get connected!**

If you have an email address, please send it to us at:

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Visit us on the world wide web @

[www.angelfire.com/la3/totalinvolvement](http://www.angelfire.com/la3/totalinvolvement)

## **Total Involvement Ministry ~ ~ ~**

...has as its purpose to bring God's unconditional love, forgiveness and assurance to individuals, but especially those involved in some way in the detention system. We do this through prevention, intervention, and follow-up. In addition, via this monthly newsletter and speaking engagements, T.I.M. hopes to educate our society about our youth and how best to communicate with them and to their needs. This is best expressed in our mission, "Answering the Call: for I was in prison and you visited Me". T.I.M. is a non-profit, tax-exempt and deductible religious outreach organization, which began as a 'grass-roots' ministry in March of 1989 but was incorporated on August 14, 1991 (incorporation #1499950). Its' Federal I.D. number is 95-4344329. It has been granted 501-c-3 Tax Exemption Status by the Internal Revenue Service as well as the State of California.

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If you would like to consider helping our ministry, EVEN after your entrance into Eternal Life, please consider including Total Involvement Ministry in your 'last will and testament. Contact Tim for details at (818) 893-7059

# **Praying God's Purposes ...For YOUR City...**

*(from the book of the same name by Ernie Frederick)*

In most cities God has given prophetic words of His purposes for the city. Sometimes these prophecies are given in citywide conferences, sometimes in local churches. Some may have been given in decades past, some in more current contexts. What does a city, 'possessed for God's purposes' "look like" in concrete terms? As you pray God's purposes for your city, here are some 'visions of hope' snapshots of what God could work to "let His Kingdom come and His will be done" in the life and activities of your city and its communities. Let's pray with vision of hope for God's promised supernatural transforming workings in these areas/ways:

**Praying Groups...** to see incense (prayers of supplication) and pure offerings (of thanks and praise) springing up in many places throughout your city. (Malachi 1:11, Psalm 113:3)

**Prayer Driving Commuters...** to see people of your city prayer driving into the city and in their communities from the north, south, east, and west, with 'soaking' praise, blessings, supplications and welcoming God's Presence in the city.

**Families...** to see families giving priority each day to gather in prayer for one another, for their community, for their workplace and school (Psalm 5:3)

**Community Pray-ers...** to see gathering of prayer for neighborhood and community leaders to let the government be on God's shoulders, guided by His wonderful counsel, mighty power, never ending Fatherhood, shalom of the Prince of Peace, in the plans and policies of government (Isaiah 9:6-7)

**Courts...** to see courthouse pray-ers seeking God to fill courts with the Spirit of Truth, to rule the court cases (John 16:13)

**Workplace Praying...** to see workers entering their workplaces with thanksgiving and their work areas with praise (Ps 100:4)

**Business Meetings...** to see company meetings opened with prayer for God's guidance for the agenda (Luke 11:9-10)

**Malls...** to see malls opened for business each day with loud speakers prayers for workers and for customers (John 16:24)

**Hospitals...** to see hospital staff briefings include prayer for doctors, nurses, aids, patients and their families (James 1:5)

**Taxis and Buses...** to see drivers blessing their customers for a good day's activities as they drive them (Psalm 125:15)

**Restaurants...** to see restaurant workers welcoming the Presence of God to 'fill the place' as people come to dine (Luke 125:15)

**Sporting Events...** to see players and coaches gather to pray for God's guidance and strength for the contest (Colossians 1:9)

This "Weapons of Mass Construction" holy card was created from the "Weapons" poster. This has been used to promote the Rosary and Rosary making at various conferences. Would you like to use these in your Rosary making efforts? These are available by requesting item #WMCHC. A small donation for these cards is appreciated.

**"WEAPONS OF  
MASS  
CONSTRUCTION"  
HOLY CARD**



**WEAPONS  
OF MASS  
CONSTRUCTION**

"The Holy Rosary is a powerful weapon. Use it with confidence and you'll be amazed at the results."  
- Saint Jose-Maria Escriva

Lead our youth to arm our parishes, our schools, our families...the world!  
Pray the Rosary daily, become a Rosary Maker.  
[www.olm.org](http://www.olm.org)



Our struggle is not with flesh and blood but with the principalities, with the powers, with the world rulers of this present darkness, with the evil spirits in the heavens. Therefore, put on the armor of God, that you may be able to resist on the evil day and, having done everything, to hold your ground.  
Ephesians 6:12-13

"Mary joins us, she fights at our side. She supports Christians in the fight against the forces of evil. Especially through prayer, through the rosary."  
- Pope Francis

"The rosary is a powerful weapon to put the demons to flight and to keep oneself from sin... If you desire peace in your hearts, in your homes, and in your country, assemble each evening to recite the Rosary..."  
- Pope Pius XI

"Give me an army saying the Rosary and I will conquer the world"  
- Pope Blessed Pius IX

"The rosary is THE WEAPON." - St. Padre Pio

To learn more visit [www.olm.org](http://www.olm.org)  
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**M**ake copies of our newsletters and share them with others. With the proper approval, you might take some to your church, prayer group, the break room where you work. It's a great way to let other people know of our efforts, as well as to give them the opportunity to live the Gospel. Thanks, we appreciate your help!

**REMINDERS**

- It takes effort to send our newsletter to you. If you no longer wish to receive it, let us know. Simply call us at (818) 893-7059 and we'll delete your computer record. If you move, please save us money by sending us your change of address EARLY! A penny saved, is a penny for ministry!
- Prayer is VITAL to this ministry. Our director attends DAILY MASS seeking God's ministry and his direction for the personal life. Please join us in asking God to provide for all our needs on a daily basis.
- Although there are almost 1,300 people in our database, only the newsletter is sent each month. Maybe you have been getting our newsletter each month, but would rather not. We can take care of that quickly, but we need to 'hear from you' in order to adjust our records. By phone, snail or e-mail, simply let us know. We love to hear from you.



**EXTRA thoughts....**

- Pray for this month's prisoner
- Read Reminder Box (change of address, etc)
- Send in PRAYER INTENTION slip for Mass
- Stay connected via phone, email, or snail-mail
- Review number of rosaries we've distributed
- Save us money! Send us your phone/email info
- Be a parish collector of medals/card and send to us!
- Consider making copies and sharing our newsletter!
- Use the prayer hotline: 508-581-8947

**B**ack in November 2013 when we thought we might have to move, we sought out 'more' monthly benefactors. God heard our prayer and we got many new benefactors who now donate \$20 a month to the ministry. It's as simple as auto-pay from your checking account, or sending us quarterly or once a year donations. In whatever way is best for you, we hope you'll consider becoming a partner with our ministry! Any questions, email or call us! God bless you!

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