

# House of HOPE Ministries



*"I was thinking how blessed I am to know and feel God's loving presence in my life"*  
Buddy- WSP Walla Walla

We Can **ALWAYS** Use:

**Bibles**—  
Study-Bibles  
Large Print Bibles  
**Christian Books**  
Recovery Books  
Christian Books  
(Soft Cover Only)  
**Inside Jail Ministries** -  
Bible Studies  
(Tues & Thurs 6-9pm)  
Ministry to Inmates  
(M-thru-F 9am-4pm)  
**Pen Pal Ministry**  
Pen Pals to  
write Inmates  
**Donations**  
(Cash – Check – Pay  
Pal - Credit Card)  
**Eye Glasses** (dollar  
store) (No metal.  
Plastic only)  
**Church Partners**  
Contact us for more  
information.  
**Your Prayers**

## *"Getting Started on the Right Path with Jesus"*

Dear Michael,  
Thank you for the Newsletter and the [Word for You Today](#). I also want to thank you for coming into the jail (Kitsap County) and bringing in the Bibles and books. **I know I would not be where I am now (spiritually) if it wasn't for you and your team getting me started on the right path with Jesus!** I am doing really good in here. I have completed welding, book keeping, GED and a one year prison ministry class. **I have been baptized and go to Church.** Will you please pray for me. Thank you so much for all your support and we will be praying for all of you from here. *"Jacob at WSP Walla, Walla"*

## *"HOH Ministries serves over 10,000 inmates yearly"*

### *" Jail Aftercare Ministry" " Pastor Michael Sgobba"*

While Bible Studies have been going on for many years at the Kitsap County Jail there was little or no knowledge of Christian based jail aftercare options. It has been my privilege to provide aftercare options to inmates as well as educate our volunteers on Christian Faith-Based Recovery and Discipleship programs. God has blessed the effort. One of the biggest blessings has been the connection made with **Set Free Ministries** Pastor and Director **Mike Tallman**. While the Set Free home is located in **Elma**, God has given Mike a vision for possibly starting a Set Free home here in Kitsap County. He travels from Elma one day a week to assist me in ministering to the inmates here in Kitsap County. What a blessing that has been. Please pray that one day a Set Free Ministry house will be established here. Additionally, we have been blessed to make connections with **Gethsemane Ministries**. They have a wonderful property off the Hood Canal outside of **Union** and have a house in Shelton (which is just 6 miles away). Also just last week I had the privilege of taking a man released from King County Jail to a Christian Faith-Based Discipleship Training House in **Burien** which is part of the **Praisealujah Discipleship Ministries**. Please pray that God would bless and use these ministries for His good pleasure and eternal glory.

## *"Both our Stories had In Common"*

*"from Jason at Stafford Creek, Aberdeen"*

I was talking with a Christian brother here about how and what the Lord did for me in the county (Kitsap) jail and he shared a similar story with me. The one thing both our stories had in common ... well two things, **God was the first and a man's name came from both our testimonies, Mike Sgobba.** We have started a prayer group in one of the **darkest units** in this prison. He and I pray for one another but mostly **we pray for the other men who don't have God in their life at all.**

'Jason also writes:' When God stirs our hearts about a need

**He is calling us to get involved and take action.**

**Prison is my involvement and God is my action!**

Mike, God is doing great works with and through you.

**You were and continue to be a role model in my life.**

Pastor Michael & Margie Sgobba (founders)



**House of Hope Ministries is a Non Profit Charitable 501c3 Corporation Ministry serving inmates of jail, prison and after-care in Kitsap, King, Pierce County and Washington State.**

## *"Reflections Transitional Living"*

Kati joined the House of Hope team a couple of years ago with a vision to fill a local need. The need is for **Christian Discipleship based Women's Transitional Housing.** In addition to ministering to the ladies inside the jail and helping place them in the various programs in the Seattle/Tacoma area her dream is taking shape as the **501C3 Nonprofit Organization named Reflections Transitional Living right here in Kitsap County.** Pray for Kati and her husband Mark as they work out God's call on their lives in this ministry area. More on this exciting news to follow.

## *"Chaplain Nick"*

For over a year the jail ministry was blessed by the Lord through the faithfulness of Nick Guglielmo who answered inmate kites (requests for Bibles, Christian resources, reading glasses, prayer or just be minister to) M-W-F both mornings and afternoons. **Nick and his family have recently relocated to Arizona.** Nick will be (and already is) missed. **Please pray the Lord raises up a replacement(s) for Chaplain Nick.** While Nick was able to minister 3 days a week even one day a week would be a blessing. Please contact Michael at **(206) 372 -2267** for more information **highly rewarding ministry opportunity.**

## *"Pen Pal Ministry Information"*

House of Hope corresponds with **over 400 inmates a year** with the great majority being done by Michael personally. Please check out this web link to our website with more information on the Pen Pal Program <http://www.houseofhopeministry.net/penpal/>. After you have listened to Michael answer the question "What is so important about writing to inmates" please click on the link near the bottom of the page ' **BE A PENPAL** ' which will load a two page document explaining much about what being a Pen Pal entails. If, after seeking the Lord's will on the matter through prayer, you would like to become a Pen Pal please send an email to [penpal@houseofhopeministry.net](mailto:penpal@houseofhopeministry.net) . We will respond as soon as possible to begin the process of explaining the program and getting you started. Of course the testimonies shared in this newsletter have come from the letters Michael and Margie recently received from the Pen Pal ministry. You are not only blessing the person you write to: you may end up being the one most blessed in the exchange.

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**for this and much more.**

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