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“I CAN’T BELIEVE YOU WORK WITH *THOSE* PEOPLE.”

Elijah was suicidal; Moses was a murderer; Noah was a drunk; Gideon was a coward; Jacob was a liar; Rahab was a prostitute; and David was a liar. Zacchaeus was a notorious swindler turned philanthropist - he gave half of his possessions to the poor! The Samaritan woman at the well, a woman of ill repute, became an evangelist. Paul, a persecutor of Christians, became a soul winner. The unlikeliest of characters can be used in profound and powerful ways when God calls them.

So often we hear folks say, “I can’t believe you work with *those* people.” But *those* people -- those prisoners in whites and stripes -- are as dear to God as the preacher in the pin-striped suit. After all, He came to seek and to save the unlikeliest of characters -- sinners -- and in His eyes the ground is level at the foot of the cross.

So why do we work with *those* people? It’s simple: Jesus said, “Do you love me? Then feed my sheep.” So that’s what we do. It just so happens that the sheep we feed are behind razor wire. So we go where the fenced-in sheep would hear our voice and we speak their language. And we tell them about the Shepherd they need so very, very much.

In carrying out our mission, God has **never** let us down. He has used folks like you to encourage and equip HeartBound to obey the call to be poured out, realizing that we may be the only water a prisoner has to drink. For seven years, we have gone behind the razor wire and invited the thirsty to drink of the living water. They do. And the angels rejoice!

PLEASE SAVE THE DATE AND JOIN US FOR “SONGS IN THE NIGHT” ON OCTOBER 24

Here’s a great way you can help us reach the fenced-in flock! HeartBound is hosting our first silent auction and dinner gala on Sunday, October 24th from 5 p.m. – 8 p.m. at The Foundry at Puritan Mill in Atlanta. Our Honorary Chair is philanthropist James Jensen, who heads the Jenesis Group, a Texas-based foundation. (You’ll want to hear his amazing story!) Anne Irwin Fine Art and Perrin Packaging Services have graciously agreed to be Corporate Sponsors.

We are planning an unforgettable evening that includes some amazing silent auction items – a weekend stay at Capella Ixtapa Resort and Spa in Mexico, five nights at the Hacienda Panilla Resort in Costa Rica, a trip to prison (no joking!), hunting with a falconer, art, jewelry, gift certificates, dining, and inmate-crafted items. We’re all about ministry, so dinner is being catered by the 180 Degree Kitchen and No Longer Bound is handling our printing needs. Musical entertainment will be provided by the Atlanta Transitional Center’s “Voices of Redemption” choir, and the night will culminate with stories of people whose lives have been changed with the help of HeartBound and folks like you. Your attendance is vital to the success of this event, so please be on the lookout for your invitation and reply YES! If you’d like to be a Patron or Host Committee member or donate a silent auction item, please contact Andrea Shelton at 404-262-0709 or aheartbound@comcast.net.

IN CLOSING...

We want each of you to know that every prayer that has been prayed concerning this ministry has been worth it. Every dollar given has been worth it. Thank you for helping us “reach hearts bound by prison walls.” With gratitude, Andrea Shelton, Scott Godwin, Darcy Harper, Bud and Jayne Hollingsworth, Shane Hornbuckle, Bob Jackson, Kim Ketola, Richard Maner, Steve Peterson, Jan Spencer, Lisa Timmons & Norah White