

ANNUAL IMPACT



REPORT



HOPE BY THE NUMBERS

In 2023, we celebrated our **20th year of ministry**. Our volunteers and staff hosted a variety of classes and events at **18 adult and juvenile correctional facilities** across Georgia and Tennessee.

Hebrews 13:3 “Remember those in prison as if you were their fellow prisoner...”

692

Hours spent inside prisons by our volunteers

8,543

Incarcerated young men received mentoring and discipleship from Chaplain John Richardson

1,611

Children received a Little Readers Packet

23,674

Miles driven by our Chaplains

7,914

Incarcerated adults attended HeartBound programs

\$26,516

Value of books, food, and hygiene items donated to prisons by HeartBound



“HeartBound Ministries can do things that government just can’t always do. The **personal touch makes a difference**. To make people see that there is **hope beyond the time that they are incarcerated** is vitally important for that individual, for their family, and literally **for our community and nation as a whole.**”

- **Former Governor Nathan Deal**



THE YEAR IN REVIEW



“HeartBound Ministries has changed no telling how many **peoples’ lives**, prevented no telling how many people from **becoming victims of violent crimes.**”

- Mississippi Dept. of Corrections
Commissioner Burl Cain

We couldn’t have said it better! Our volunteers, chaplains, and staff helped to break generational cycles of crime and incarceration by providing **purposeful programming**

to the prison community so that incarcerated people return to their families and communities as **transformed individuals.**

We led programs on guitar, art, horticulture, financial literacy, Little Readers, mentoring, parenting, seminary, leadership, beekeeping, cooking, quilting, choir, creative writing, and provided **205 hours of free** trauma counseling sessions!

Spring Highlight

HeartBound hosted its ninth annual Returning Hearts Celebration at Walker State Prison. **28 men, 50+ children, and nearly 100 volunteers participated.** We’re **expanding** Returning Hearts in 2024 to **two facilities** in Georgia!

Autumn Highlight

Art From the Inside, the **first and only** inmate art show in Georgia, was featured at the Oglethorpe University Museum of Art. Over **50 works of art** from correctional facilities were displayed in the exhibition.

Summer Highlight

Our ‘Hard Time Honey’ from the beekeeping program at the Atlanta Transitional Center was named **“Best Tasting Honey”** in the prison category by the GA Beekeepers Association.

Winter Highlight

At Songs in the Night, we heard from Governor Nathan Deal, as well as two of our former seminary students who are now free! **Thanks to our incredible donors we raised over \$150,000** to support Christ-centered programming.





FINANCES

Income

Indiv./bus. contributions	\$266,279.47
Gifts-in-kind	\$26,516
Foundation/trust grants	\$88,546.64
Songs in the Night	\$183,297.60
Special events	\$10,926
Total Income	\$575,565.71

EXPENSE TOTALS

5%

Fundraising

85%

Programming

10%

Administration

“I spent almost all of my life before becoming incarcerated destroying things: relationships, friendships, the lives of the innocent people that I victimized with violence - and my own life. **Art allows me to create, as opposed to destroying.** When I draw or paint, I am **able to bring something beautiful into the world. I can heal instead of hurt.**” - William, incarcerated artist



WE'D LIKE TO THANK ALL OUR DONORS FOR THEIR GENEROUS SUPPORT

YOU MADE A DIFFERENCE

In 2023, **over 400 people, businesses, and foundations** donated to **HeartBound Ministries**. We'd like to thank the following foundations and businesses for their support.

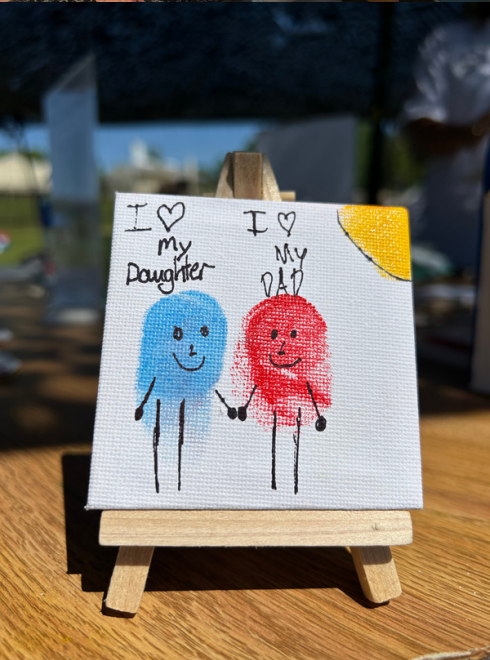
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2023 IN PHOTOS



A CLOSING NOTE

LOOKING BACK ON 2023... AND INTO 2024

2023 was a year unlike any other for HeartBound Ministries. For starters, **we celebrated 20 years of ministry** – God is good! We also, for the first time in our ministry’s history, **raised over \$500,000**. I’ll say it again – **God is good!**



We have so many people to thank for our twentieth year of ministry – **our board members** (in no particular order: Lucy Fugate, Bob Jackson, Matt Rendle, Matt Crowe, Norah White, Robin Boggs, James Johnson, Bob Jackson, Tom Hoover, Darcy Harper, Lara Woods, Steve Peterson, Amy Durham), **our volunteers and instructors** (Fred Eason, Polly and Larry Bouker, Jenna Shepherd, Sandra Dixon, Kay Dillard, Ana Ivey, Grey Davis, Lara Woods, Amy Durham, Lucy Fugate, Yancey Snavelly, Dan Lane, Adrienne Christian and Katie Ward from Trinity Anglican Church, Sarah Flesher and Immanuel Anglican Church, Sharon MacPherson-Aldridge, Rachel Dupee, Jeanne Sheahan, Amy Caylor, the quilting team – Patti, Laura, Elizabeth, and Fondi), **our chaplains** (Omar Howard, John Richardson, Jimmy Driskell), and **our trauma counselor** Adrienne Millis.

If you would like to **become a volunteer** in 2024, all you need to do is email Spencer (Spencer.HeartBound@gmail.com) and he’ll send you our schedule for our upcoming programs where you can shadow one of our staff members and see first-hand what it looks like to serve inside a prison before deciding if it’s right for you. If you feel led to **become a G.E.M. donor (Gives Every Month)**, you can make a recurring donation at www.givebutter.com/HeartBound. If you wish to **support the ministry through a book, food, or hygiene drive**, contact Grace (Grace.HeartBound@gmail.com) for a list of what supplies we can accept.

In 2024, we’re committed to providing **HOPE** to those inside and outside the razor wire. We’ll continue to bring you **stories of GRACE** and **REDEMPTION**, because in a world filled with vitriol and violence, we **HOPE to be a force for GOODNESS and LIGHT**. In 2024, we’ll **continue to remember those in prison** and **speak truth to those in the darkest of places**. Thank you for being a part of our story... HIS story.

With gratitude,

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