



Hi <<First Name>>>,

Though it's only been a few short weeks since the last update, much has happened that is worth sharing. I hope you enjoy!



Ministry Praise Reports

- **Sunday Service:** Last Sunday we were able to have the first church service in almost three months! We finally had enough officers to run program. Thank you for your prayers regarding this issue. They were heard and answered. 🙏
- **Baptisms:** As reported last month, there are about 30 men on the yard who desire to be baptized. Though Sundays were not an option, through creative efforts, we were able to baptize 11 men. We plan to baptize the rest as time and space allow.
- **Stats:** Over the past several months I have been building a spread sheet to track my hours. While I'll need to tinker with it over the next few months, it is fully functional and is working real well. I have attached my monthly ministry data for May at the end of this newsletter for those who are interested in such figures.

Ministry Prayer Requests

- **Stronger Community:** Every community has its tensions, stressors, dramas, clicks, riffs, etc. and we here at Donovan are no different. Please pray for the church, that we would grow in wisdom, maturity, humility, and love as we serve one another.
- **Discipleship:** Given all the new member to the community, there is a need for mentors to invest and disciple. Prayer for wisdom and maturity as men grow is appreciated.



Personal Praise Reports

- **Two Months** ✅: I've successfully completed my first two months of marriage. No one has died, and we're still together...so I'd say I'm well on my way to becoming an expert! 😊
- **Hospice Care:** My dad has been on hospice care for the past several weeks. I cannot tell you how much of a blessing this has been. Four times a week we have people coming over to check on him. He is loving all the social interaction and I'm loving the health care he is receiving. As of today, he is strong, healthy, and happy. 🙏
- **Daily Bread:** For over half a year, Vicki and I have started each day by

spending time reading and talking about the Bible. This practice, which has born much fruit, has been a sweet and valuable time for us both

Personal Prayer Requests

- **Running/Prayer Walks:** Running has been a spiritual practice of mine for several decades. I love it, but my body is beginning to keep the score. Thus, recently prayer walks have become a thing for me. Please pray for the wisdom to balance these two disciplines well.
- **Discernment:** There are many projects I'm working on with Kairos, Pastors to Prisoners, RJD, and my home. Please pray for discernment as I juggle my time, energy, and focus amongst these various works.
- **Availability:** Given my drive and passion for prison ministry, there is a propensity for me to become absorbed at the cost of my family. This was revealed to me as I was speaking to a correctional officer about marriage. During the course of our conversation, I realized I hadn't been emotional available for my wife that week, so I immediately packed up my things and headed home to spend quality time with Vicki. The big take away for me, which I communicated to Vicki, was that none of my work at Donovan is more important than the upkeep of the spiritual, emotional, and physical health of our marriage. Pray that I would always be attuned to this, and that Vicki would have the boldness to speak up if I ever get too caught up.

Thank you for your support with all of this.

While prayer is the biggest need, know that any financial assistance you may be led to give goes a long way.

Support Aaron

May the LORD uphold the cause of His servant, and the cause of His people according to each day's need, so that all the peoples of the earth may know that the LORD is God and that there is no other.

In Service of The King, With Love,

Aaron



Category	Task	Total Hours	% Overall Hours	Total Inmate Interactions	Total Volunteers Escorted	Total Instances
Home						
	Admin Work	39.5	24%			
	Blog / News Letters	4.0	2%			
	Prayer	24.0	14%			
	Program Prep (Home)	6.5	4%			
	Kairos Community Event	12.0	7%			
	Raise Support					
	Sermon Prep	13.0	8%			
	Home Total(s)	99.0	60%			
Institution						
	Baptisms			11		
	Bible Study	6.5	4%	51		
	Call Visits	3.0	2%	32		
	Counseling	16.5	10%	34		
	Elder's Meeting					
	Intercessory Prayer	10.0	6%	122	1	
	Kairos	4.5	3%			
	Program Prep (Inst)	16.0	10%			
	Seeking Recovery	7.5	5%	40		
	Special Event					
	Sunday Service	3.0	2%	20	1	
	Worship Practice					
	Institution Total(s)	67.0	40%	310.0	2.0	
	Combined Total(s)	166.0				
Comment						
	Sick					
	Sabbath					4
	Vacation					
	Yard Down					5

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