



Opening Blind Eyes

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God NEVER changes. He is ALWAYS faithful.

*When OBE's financial difficulties became known in June,
God supplied new sources of support!*

Here's how OBE has remained faithful to its calling:

I continue providing worship services and sermons which teach the prisoners how to study the Bible.

Inmates often ask why I don't skip around from verse to verse & book to book throughout the Bible. I tell them it is because the Bible makes sense best in its context.

This helps them in Bible study & in reading other literature carefully, and to think more clearly. Even as they are moved to other institutions, they bring *both the messages and the method* with them.

They appreciate that I teach them to fish, instead of just giving them fish.

I continue to communicate to the inmates in a language they understand.

My humble origins have helped me to communicate in the language of the street (despite the advantages of higher education), because I am a native speaker.

*I don't live in an ivory tower, but I have the key to the tower
so that I can bring the jewels to the spiritually needy.*

I continue on-site hospital visitation & provide spiritual counseling.

*Due to cutbacks at the institution, the chaplains assigned there
don't have time for these duties.*

I continue to be involved in evangelism.

*God has used me to bring Neo-Nazis,
Muslims, atheists, Buddhists and lapsed Christians to him.*

I trust God will continue to enable more people to contribute to this ministry so that I can continue doing his work within prison walls.

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Count Me In !

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YES! I want to Partner with Opening Blind Eyes to provide Christian Counsel and Education for inmates at WSR.

I pledge \$50 a month for the next 2 years

I cannot pledge \$50 a month but I can give a onetime gift of :

\$25 \$50 \$100 _____

I will be praying for Opening Blind Eyes

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