

Prisoners who Appreciated God's Word

There was a time at one of the services at the Hiawatha correctional facility that we had something happen that never happened again to us.

We were in our room and I had started the message. We had a good group that night. There were at least 15 to 20 men in attendance. All was moving along great when something different happened.

There was a sudden and very loud siren which started to sound. It was so loud that it felt as if it were in the room with us. A few seconds later the officer came to the door and said we had to stop the meeting and that the men had to go back to their housing units. I was ordered to go back to the front gate and be let out.

I found out at the front gate that they had to clear the yard and send all the men inside. The reason for this was that a very large number of inmates were gathering into an oversized group. The security forces feared there may be trouble if let go unchecked. Due to their quick reaction all chance of any problem was evaded.

I mentioned this to some of the men at my Sunday night meeting. I was impressed by what they told me. They said that if that happened during one of their meetings that every one of the men would surround me and escort me to the front gate before they went to their housing units. (That could possibly get them into some trouble). What touched me about all of this was the concern these men had for my protection as I taught them the word of God.

It is the joy of my life to introduce prisoners to Jesus Christ as their personal Savior. If you don't know Christ as your personal savior, please contact me and let me introduce you to Him.

In his service,

Chaplain Bob