

Glossary

J.A.I.L. Ministry, Inc. Annual Report

Services at Bell County Law Enforcement Center: Individual Bible studies, church services and one-on-one encouragement held inside the Bell County Law Enforcement Center or Juvenile Justice Center and attended by the inmates on a voluntary basis.

Professions of Faith: Those who have indicated by prayer or “Decision Card” that they have trusted Jesus Christ as their personal Savior and Lord. (John 14:6)

Rededications: Those who have indicated verbally or on a “Decision Card” that they have in the past trusted Jesus Christ as their personal Savior and are rededicating their lives to Him. (I John 1:9)

Baptisms: This total represents those who have prayed to trust Jesus Christ as Savior and have been baptized (immersed) in the J.A.I.L. Ministry baptismal; a horse trough in the recreation area of the Bell County Law Enforcement Center, and/or on the roof of the Bell County Annex. (Romans 6:3-5)

Volunteers: Those approved J.A.I.L. Ministry volunteers who teach a Bible study, Saturday church and/or provide one-on-one encouragement.

Bible Study/Church Attendance: Inmates who have attended a J.A.I.L. Ministry staff and/or volunteer-led Bible study or church service at one or more times in the Bell County Law Enforcement Center or Juvenile Justice Center.

Individual Contacts: This represents the contacts made by J.A.I.L. Ministry staff and volunteers inside the Bell County Law Enforcement Center and the Bell County Annex. Contacts represent inmates who have been contacted one or more times.

Write-Way & Crossroad Bible Correspondence: This represents the number of inmates who have completed a course. J.A.I.L. Ministry administers these Bible correspondence courses as requested by inmates in the Bell County Law Enforcement Center. These are on-going Bible study courses. At the completion of each course, the inmate receives a “Completion Certificate” and then begins work on the next course; over sixty courses are available. The courses may be continued in State Jail, Texas Department of Corrections, or wherever the inmate may go.

Bibles Distributed: This represents the number of Bibles provided to inmates by J.A.I.L. Ministry. The “Free on The Inside” Bible is a New King James Version of the Bible with helps especially written for the incarcerated. There is “no charge” to the inmate for this Bible.

Christian Books Distributed: J.A.I.L. Ministry maintains a list of Christian books and publications that are available to inmates. An inmate may choose one of these per week at “no charge.” Books and publications are both purchased by and donated to J.A.I.L. Ministry, Inc.

Volunteer Visits: Represents the total number of visits by volunteers / Bible study teachers at J.A.I.L. Ministry, and inside the Bell County Law Enforcement Centers & Juvenile Justice Center.

Prayer Requests: This represents the number of prayer requests received from inmates, their families and friends. Inmates request prayer as indicated on a “Decision Card.” Other requests are received via mail, phone, the internet, and the Bell County Law Enforcement Center website link to J.A.I.L. Ministry. Prayer requests are sent weekly to be prayed by J.A.I.L. Ministry prayer partners.

Project Angel Tree: This represents the number of children who receive gifts from J.A.I.L. Ministry. Angel Tree is a Christmas program affiliated with Prison Fellowship which provides three gifts to children of prison inmates who reside in our local area and to children of Bell County Jail inmates, whether they live locally, out of town or out of state. The program, administered locally and funded by gifts from area churches, businesses, and individuals sees that one of the three gifts has a Christian message.

Anger Resolution: This represents the number of inmates who have completed a six hour or longer court approved course provided by J.A.I.L. Ministry. A certificate is awarded upon completion that is honored by the courts. Men’s Ministry Coordinator Johner Martin and Juvenile Services Coordinator Cheryl Baird are the Bell County Approved Anger Resolution Instructors for J.A.I.L. Ministry.

Men’s Life Skills Class: Men inmates volunteer to attend “The Quest for Authentic Manhood”; a multi-media study utilizing the Quest DVD lecture series, workbook and group discussion.

The J.A.I.L. Ministry Radio Network: Broadcast 24 hours a day, 7 days a week inside the Bell County Law Enforcement Center on low-power FM. Also on-line at www.jailmin.org I-Phone and Android App available for free.

Bible Study Video’s: Since December 2020 J.A.I.L. Ministry has been recording Bible Study Video’s for Inmates. These play on inmate tablets inside the jail. In 2021 the videos became available in 39 states to 359 Law Enforcement Centers. Videos viewed indicate those viewed outside of jails and prisons.