

Shining Light Ministry 2009-10

Presentation Dates (*open to the public – **The best opportunities to see our ministry in action are at the outreach programs that are also open to the public)

Oct 18 - 6 pm Teen Challenge, Rehrersburg, PA**

This presentation is for the approximately 200 residents in the addiction rehabilitation program at Teen Challenge. We will have an opportunity to meet with some residents in our discipleship small groups. This is also open to the general public.

Nov 1 Northwestern Academy Boot Camp, Coal Twp, PA

The residents of Northwestern are delinquent teenage males who have been placed there by courts throughout Pennsylvania. The Boot Camp is a program for those who have shown promise for successful rehabilitation.

Nov 13 Rikers Island, New York City, NY

Rikers Island is New York City's prison system. It is the largest prison facility in the US, housing over 13,000 inmates. We will be in a building that houses teenage and young adult males. This is Shining Light's fourth ministry visit. Previous audiences have numbered 200-300.

Nov 14-15 Essex County Detention Center, Newark, NY

Essex is a New Jersey secure facility housing teenage males and females. Most have been incarcerated for gang related crimes. This facility is unusual as it intentionally mixes youth from various gangs, intentionally striving to break the destructive and violent patterns of gang rivalry.

Dec 6 - 6 pm New Life for Girls, Dover, PA**

New Life is a Christian long-term addiction rehabilitation program for women. Our small groups again will have interaction time with residents. This event is open to the public.

Jan 10 Loysville Youth Development Center, Loysville, PA

Loysville is a state operated secure facility for delinquent teenage males.

Jan 31 Northwestern Academy Intensive Secure Unit

This unit of Northwestern is for the most challenging youth in the correctional system. The most serious offenders and those who have not done well in other facilities are placed here. It is our 8th presentation in this unit because of the tremendous response of the audience to the presentation. This is typically one of the most rewarding and effective presentations of the season.

Feb 14 Glen Mills Schools

This is our first appearance at Glen Mills. This secure facility houses approximately 800 juvenile males placed there by courts throughout Pennsylvania.

March 7 - 6 pm New Hope Church, Harrisburg, PA**

Bethesda Mission and other Harrisburg shelters, rehab facilities, and outreaches are too small for us to do a presentation at their facilities, so we invite them, and help bus them, to New Hope Church. We typically have 6-8 facilities and ministries bringing over 150 people to this program. The general public is also invited.

March 21- 6 pm Teen Challenge, Rehrersburg, PA**

April 18 Milton Hershey School

We will do the Sunday morning Chapel Service for over 1,200 junior and senior high school students in Founders Hall.

May 2 - 6:30pm Manheim Brethren in Christ Church**

This is a "special night out" for nearly 100 residents of Water Street Rescue Mission. We will bus them to the Manheim BIC Church, the church youth group will provide dinner for them, and then we will give our presentation. Other Lancaster area outreaches and facilities are invited, along with the general public.

May 16 - 7 pm Lebanon Evangelical Free Church, Jonestown*

This presentation is for the general public. We invite area youth groups, and it is a "last chance" this season for friends, family, etc. to see our presentation.

June 17-25 Tour California?

After working and ministering together weekly for 9 months, we spend 9-10 days focused on ministering to people in difficult situations. Building on our efforts and time together in the preceding months, this mission trip is a special opportunity to experience being part of God's community, grow as a Christ follower, and reach those in need. This season we are hoping to visit youth facilities, rehab centers and shelters in Northern California. Our "day off" will include an opportunity to see an amazing part of God's creation at Yosemite National Park and the Mariposa Sequoia Grove. A final decision of our destination will be made in late 2009/early 2010 based on funds raised (Chicago is our back up destination).