

Love letters of a different kind

not without you

You'll often hear us say, "We can't do what we do without you." It's true. Without our many friends, volunteers, prayer warriors, and financial donors, this ministry wouldn't exist. So, although the words below were written to C.H.A.R.M., they are really meant for you. We hope they'll touch your heart the way they touched ours.

tears of thanks

Here are portions of a letter we received from Shane J. at the Vance Unit:

To the whole Charm crew: I would like to thank you all from the bottom of my heart. It is such a blessing to spend time with ya'll. I enjoy the fellowship, the sharing of the Word, floating back to my dorm with the Holy Spirit driving. I appreciate the encouraging words and the love. Had so much fun.



This journey has been so wonderful. It has been painful and so enlightening. I thank the Lord for...digging out those hurts and scars. Praise Him in all things. Seeing the power of our Savior being poured out is awesome. You guys, acting on behalf of Jesus Christ, have changed my life and the tears roll down my face as I write this. May God bless you all, all your days and may everything you touch multiply and bring glory to His kingdom. Wanted everyone to know that we at Carol Vance appreciate ya'll.

more than just a good time

Chaplain Knapp, at the Clemens Unit, sent us an inmate's testimony:

Playing any type of game with a male figure has been, for some of us, something we could only imagine. But, Charm Prison Ministry brings the missing, intricate element these men need. David Trickett and his team exemplify genuine fellowship, meeting us on our level. They aren't scared to hug, laugh, and engage us.

Charm may not realize the diverse ways their presence impacts us and continues to affect us long after they leave. After an event, a real sense of a purpose for life is awakened within.

*Knowing the foundational components that are needed for men to progress and grow spiritually, Charm brings prisoners the opportunity to participate in a Day with Dad program. To see your children from behind bars is always a bittersweet feeling, but during these events, the men and their children are no longer imprisoned. They are finally together on a level where the kids get to know their **dad**, not who everyone **says** their dad is.*

To conclude each event, Charm offers the most effective essential of life: the Word of God. Seeing your child give their life to God for the first time is a surreal experience, one that can't be explained.

So Charm brings more than just sports events and a good time. They bring the missing piece of life - family and God, together.

from their heart to yours

Those letters were written with grateful hearts, and they give us great insight into the thoughts and needs of those we serve inside the walls. May your heart be filled with rejoicing as you see how the Lord is working in their lives.



If you'd like to join us at a Day with Mom or Day with Dad event, or any of our other upcoming events, contact Vicki at volunteer@charmprisonministry.org.

Oh give thanks to the Lord, for he is good, for his steadfast love endures forever!

Your donation enables C.H.A.R.M. to facilitate hundreds of ministry engagements for thousands of inmates. Last year, more than 480 volunteers joined us as we presented the gospel of Jesus Christ to over 8,000 men and women inside the walls. Our hope is to expand into more units each year.

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Christ's Hope and Reconciliation Ministry (C.H.A.R.M.) ministers to incarcerated men and women and their families. Our mission is to share the hope found only in Jesus Christ and to see souls reconciled to God. As the lives of individuals are transformed, so are their relationships with their families, local church, and communities.

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