



Pathway To Freedom, Inc.

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12 members reach a milestone

By Scott McLean

We are celebrating 12 members who obtained their GED certificate (equivalent to a high school diploma) and joined other state prisoners in a graduation ceremony in May at the Ouachita River Correctional Unit in Malvern. I would like to thank Mr. Rob Nankervis, our GED teacher assigned to PTF members through Arkansas Correctional School for all the work he put in to assist in making their dreams of earning their GED certificate possible!

Rob is an amazing man and works very closely with PTF staff. We couldn't ask for a better partnership and teacher. Rob is featured in the picture next to me and the members who obtained their GED certificate. Jose Delgado, featured in the picture on the front row middle holding his certificate, expresses the significance of this achievement:

"Achieving my diploma means I can go home with



We're rejoicing with a dozen newly minted GED graduates

tangible proof that if you put the time and effort into getting something you want then success is possible. In the process of coming to PTF I made a promise to my parents that I would get my diploma while incarcerated. I utilized the tools I obtained in PTF by staying focused and determined to reach my goal. I look forward to going home with my new mindset and a better outlook on life that Christ has afforded me through the PTF program. Where I used to take from my community, I am more determined to be a positive influence in my community by serving to meet its needs."

Meanwhile, we thank God that operations with classes at the prison have been without interruptions of COVID-19 infections since the start of this year. We continue to see an increase in applications for entrance into the program, which is a great indication that men are "thirsting" for change! Thank each one of you who through your prayers, finances, volunteering and partnership make it possible to assist our members through their transformation with God's help. I am thrilled to inform you that we have 28 of our men who have signed up to be baptized. This is an absolute praise report and evidence of a heart change!

All things are possible through Christ

By Charles Earle

Let me say thank you to the PTF program for all they invested into my life and the lives of those that are incarcerated. I have been incarcerated six times and served several prison sentences for felony drug charges.

I had begun to believe that I could never change and my life would consist of being in and out of prison. I learned in the Pathway to Freedom program that I could change with God's help if I put in the effort and worked on my issues.

I learned from classes such as Authentic Manhood, Boundaries, Criminal and Addictive Thinking and many others that I could experience a transformative work in my life with God's help.

God did the transformation and I did the work. I can sincerely say that God and the PTF program changed my life. I feel like



Charles Earle (center) feels like a new man

a new man and I am not focused on my past as I keep moving forward into my future. The apostle Paul stated in Philippians 3:12-14:

“Not that I have already attained, or am already perfected; but I press on, that I may lay hold of that for which Christ Jesus has also laid hold of me.

Brethren, I do not count myself to have apprehended; but one thing I do, forgetting those things which are behind and reaching forward to those things which are ahead, I press toward the goal for the prize of the upward call of God in Christ Jesus.”

I am out of prison now and God has blessed me in so many ways which I am not sure would have been possible if not for Pathway to Freedom and all the volunteers, mentors and staff that invested their lives into me. Thanks for all your support!

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Group 34 with counselor Jon Justice, celebrate pre-release phase completion

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