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Before leaving the prison, I call my wife to let her know I am on my way home. She usually asks me how the service went. Today I answered with a resounding “Excellent!” When I get home, I share the details with her.

One of the most exciting things that happened was when an inmate gave praise during the prayer time for the thirty men who had held a prayer meeting out on the yard. It started with three men and grew to thirty. It was held on the area of the yard that the gangs claim as theirs. As the men prayed, they used the name of Jesus and one by one the gang members left the area! That the believers did this on their own is indeed a big reason for praise.

During the service, it seemed that the men were very attentive. There was not the background noise of the men whispering and being restless that there sometimes is. They were really listening to the message. This was very encouraging to me.

There was fog the morning of the service. That meant the men were kept in their cells. Also, the list of names needed for the inmates to be released for the P.M. service had not reached any of the buildings because of the fog. What a blessing when the Sargent on the yard called each building and read each inmate’s name and cell number so the men could attend the service. It was also a great opportunity to thank the Sargent and say how much we appreciated the help and appreciate all the things the prison personnel do to help the program.

Again, let me thank you for your prayers and/or gifts that make it possible for me to continue ministry to the men on “D” yard and seeing God working in their lives. Pray that the men will continue to grow in their faith.

May each of you continue to express God’s Love