

MAURY CHAPLAIN MINISTRIES

Ministering to Inmates and Staff
at the Maury County Jail

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SAVE THE DATE

March 27, 2014

Mark your calendars and make
plans to attend MCM's

*Annual
Banquet*

6:30 pm
Faith Hall

First Baptist Church, Columbia



**Want to help with
the banquet?**

WE NEED TABLE HOSTS!

All you have to do is simply
host a table of eight by inviting
guests to come enjoy the
evening's delicious dinner and
learn about the exciting ministry
going on at the jail.

If you would like to sign up,
please contact Maria Cline at

push4him07@gmail.com

931-284-6705

THANK YOU!

BEHIND THE WALLS

'I was in prison and you came to Me' Matthew 25:36

"ENCOURAGERS" – ARE YOU ONE?



Chaplain Jeff with encourager-friend, John Alderson

Like water, encouragers are vital for the sustaining of life. A tiny compliment, a little hand-written note, a pat on the back, all go a long way in giving us the resolve to put one foot in front of the other and move another step forward in life. But I'm afraid we are so busy these days that we don't take the time to actually encourage.

I'm so thankful for all the encouragers in my life: my wife, my family, my church, my friends, etc., but I'd like to tell you about one in particular.

His name is John Alderson and he died last year. I worked for John years ago selling equipment to recording studios in Nashville. He ran his company with Christian ethics and always had a heart for the down-and-outers. He attended our yearly MCM ministry

banquets even as his health declined, and always wanted to have a picture taken of the two of us. He always told me how proud he was that I was a jail Chaplain. I started crying when I told this to his son and daughter at the funeral home. John is in paradise now with his Savior and no longer suffering.

The photo above was taken at our 2012 banquet and I keep it on my desk. Another version of the picture (minus the bunny rabbit ears above my head courtesy of a favorite coworker) stays in my briefcase. Since John's passing I try to encourage a few people every day. For me, it's a way of appreciating John and continuing a legacy he left. Maybe today you can be an encourager to someone?

Chaplain Jeff Boggs

BEHIND THE WALLS

LATE NEWS FROM THE CHAPLAIN

As I was printing this newsletter I received confirmation that a former inmate had been killed in a terrible accident. We saw a lot of each other over the years and he was one of my Bible study students when I started volunteering at the jail 14 years ago. A very likeable guy, when not drunk or on drugs, and I will miss him. After I found out about his death I got the chance to talk to one of his children and said how much I valued our friendship and what a good guy he was – in spite of his addictions. That family has a tough road ahead of them so please keep them in your prayers.

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THIS IS YOUR BANQUET INVITATION

It is our sincere desire that you will once again be our honored guests at our annual banquet. Your 2014 Annual Banquet invitation is enclosed in this newsletter. Use this invitation to place on your fridge as a reminder or feel free to pass it along to a friend or acquaintance who would like to come join us. See you there !!



MICHAEL O'BRIEN TO PERFORM AT OUR BANQUET

Recording artist Michael O'Brien will be our special music guest at this year's banquet. We are delighted to be able to offer you this opportunity to hear Michael and appreciate so much that he will be joining us this year.

Michael O'Brien is probably most known from his seven year tenure as lead singer of the Christian band, Newsong. But, he has actually been in the music ministry for some twenty years now and has built a reputation as an incredibly gifted singer/ songwriter with a heart for ministering to the body of Christ.

This is going to be a special night and a performance you won't want to miss!

Thanks Michael!

MCM'S NEWEST MEMBER

We are pleased to announce the addition of Mike Osborne to the MCM team! Mike has been volunteering at the jail for two years and feels called to be a Chaplain.

Last November we were able to bring Mike on board on a part-time basis. He assists Chaplain Boggs with the male inmates and does a great job. Mike is a blessing to the jail and our ministry! You'll be hearing more from Mike himself in our next newsletter.

