



# Little Lambs Inc.

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## A LOVE STRONGER THAN A MOTHERS LOVE!

We are thankful for all our mothers and their sacrifice because through them we have life and we celebrate them this month. Many of us have had good mothers; some of us may not have had good mothers; and some of us have been not-so-good mothers. Although we love our mom's, yet, there is a greater love than a mother's love! Parents are to love their children—and our mission from the Lord as parents is to guide them to a love greater than ours, His love!

The Lord understands well the frailty of human love. Some abandon their young; some 'eat' (destroy) their young; some neglect their young. We all have sinned and come short of the glory of God. God promises us this greater love, especially for those who have been abandoned and forgotten by their earthly parents, .

Early in my walk, it seemed like the torment and trials would never end. I felt so abandoned. I prayed and the Lord immediately reminded me of Isa 49:14-16

Eileen said, the Lord has forsaken me and my Lord has forgotten me. (He answered)

Can a woman forget her sucking child that she should not have compassion on the son of her womb? Yes, they may forget, yet I will not forget you.

Behold, I have engraved you upon the palms of my hands; your walls are continually before me.

We are engraved in the palms of his hands. The nail piercings of his crucifixion are a constant reminder to Him of us His children. We are always in His thoughts. No matter our situation, not matter our circumstances, we hold on to that promise and we wait, then our change will come.

*Sing, o heavens; and be joyful O earth; and break forth into singing, o mountains, for the Lord has comforted his people, and will have mercy on his afflicted. Isa 49:13*

*Lift up your eyes to the heavens, and look upon the earth beneath: for the heavens shall vanish away like smoke, and the earth shall wax old as a garment, and they that dwell therein shall die in like manner, but my salvation shall be forever and my righteousness shall not be abolished. Isa 51: 7*

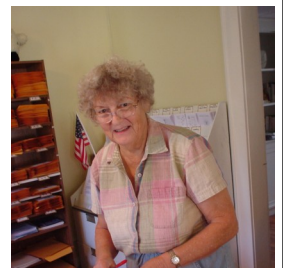


## OUR BELOVED STAFF IN NEED OF PRAYER!

As you know, we are an all volunteer organization. All the ministry that goes through Little Lambs is produced by unpaid laborers. The countless studies are printed, packaged, graded and mailed by men and women who have faithfully come to work every week for the last 14 years! Some are now in need of our help and prayers.



Jan Ryan, our original first volunteer in 1998 and office manager, has been out with a hip replacement and just as she had recovered, fell at the train station and is now suffering with a bad back injury. Sally Phares, another long-time volunteer is battling a severe ongoing heart and lung condition but still faithfully comes in twice a week to tend the flock. She will be traveling to the east coast for medical opinions this week. Eileen Sarracino is also dealing with an acute problem in her back. Our dear Evangeline Johnson is recovering from a shoulder replacement. Delora Christian, with us for many years, has a medical problem. We ask you to please pray for their healing and return to the ministry.



By the same token, we are looking for new volunteers. Our office staff remains constant, but our need is for more graders. Kelli, from Grace Place, has been trained and is now serving as our new-student volunteer on Fridays. She takes all the new requests and sends them the new student packages. She has also been helping us send information packets to the individual chaplains at the state prisons. We have mailed out introduction letters and studies to over 15 states' chaplains with posters that can be posted in the chapels. We have seen a big increase in new students since we started this. This new increase means we need new graders!!! The Chaplains are making good use of our materials. A Chaplain in California has returned 13 first lessons from inmates at his own cost. If you or someone you know would like to be a part of Little Lambs for grading at home, Spanish or English lessons and minister to the men and women in prison through these bible studies, contact Eileen at 863-382-3325. Lessons are picked up, graded at home and returned to us every week for more.



Bro. John Sala, God bless you and your household & your ministry! I just finished reading "I'm Not Coming Back! John Sala Story". I am 64 years young and have read at least dozens of stories with the exact same theme as yours. And having been an avid reader I say with a certain amount of certainty, your story has the distinguished spirit of 'anointed', in an ugly but powerful way. I'm a street evangelist. This is something my years gone by- including my wilderness years have completely prepared me for. For 22 years, 5 in prison and jail, I was a career criminal & drug addict/alcoholic. At this season of my life I've been living for and serving God 24 years. My ministry, Living Water-Bread of Life sends materials into prisons. The Lord has placed in my spirit to buy your books to send.....



Dear John & Eileen, I have sorrow in my heart knowing that my Bible Studies with you are over. Your cards and love and care have been such a relief to me. I want to thank you with all my heart. You are a Godsend to me. Mark TX

**The Work of the Enemy** by Rachael ,Ga  
**Dear Family in Christ , I am currently at HCDC Facility (County Jail) waiting to go to the RSAT Program at Alto, Ga. RSAT is a Residential Substance Abuse Treatment for probationers. Thankfully another inmate gave me your address last month and I received my initial package with the first lesson. Last week, my parents mailed me a Bible Study from home but instead of the study, the jail enclosed a note in the envelope that states "As of April 10, no more religious material from anybody and companies." After speaking with the chaplain, she confirmed that no religious materials will be given to inmates via mail. At visitation I informed my family and they are concerned that Bibles will be the next to go. This is a reminder to me that the end times are closer than we think. Please keep us in your prayers. I look forward to receiving your lessons again when I transfer to the treatment program. Love, Rachael**

*Our last class to graduate Avon Park Prison Overcomers Addiction Recovery Graduate:*

My name is Benson and I'm an alcoholic. Understanding I had a drinking problem was difficult being I was filled with pride. Plus the effects allowed me to be rid of all my fears and anxieties. "Knowing"? at the time I could quit at any time I wanted, I said no problems. Then came the time where my embarrassments became legal mishaps, but still with my Stinkin Thinkin, I could control it. In fact, I could control anything. I had become my own god. Finally I reached a point where I accepted my problem, but still thought I could do it on my own. As I brought myself to the brink of suicide, I was so determined I thought if I just had a constant reminder, something to prove I needed to stop drinking. So before suicide, I'll cut my finger off. Yes, that would do it. One month later I committed the crime that put me where I am today. Thinking I was hopeless I planned to kill myself once I got out of county jail. Through my trial I was found guilty of all the charges I did. This I was not disputing and given time served. Then I was found guilty of one charge I did not do, sentencing me to prison! With knowing my sentence could have been much worse I've realized God has given me these times to get my life in order and my head straight with my persons, places, things and situations. I have accepted Jesus Christ as my Savior and through the steps of recovery I'm learning a new way of life. Through my tribulations I've learned God has a sense of humor and I seem to be the butt of the joke:). Time has proven things can be better as patience seems to be an issue.

Dear Partners,

We want to update you about our termite situation. So many thanks to those of you who helped and those who wished they could help! Your response encouraged us so much. The Family of God also stepped up and one of our ministry partners called in help from their own termite man, also a Christian who gives back in prisons and jails, and before a few days were up we had treatment with less than half the cost. Ken Ayler's Once-A-Year Termite and Pest Control from Lakeland came out and not only took care of our the termites, but did pest control on the entire house and yard including fertilizer for the same cost. We have made a great new friend in the Lord. Their slogan is "Have a blessed and bug free day!"



May 2 will be the start of a new Boundaries /Anger Management/ Parenting Class and Jeff is continuing his Overcomers Class at Little Lambs. There is only minimal cost for workbooks and certificates for both of these classes. These classes are also extremely helpful for anyone going to counseling. It answers the question, "Why did this happen to me?" Just call 863-382-3325 to register. Again Thanks to the ladies of St. John United Methodist Church for supplying Grace Place with paper goods and cleaning supplies. And Pauline Chabert has donated a magnificent bar-b-q pit. (Kelli can have ribs for her graduation)

Much love, John & Eileen

Dear Friends, I would like to say, that I have life, and I done 24 years and got out on a life parole. So now I am back on a technical violation. And they want me to do another 9 years, and I have done 5, so I have 4 more years to go. And I thank you and Eileen for inviting me into the family. And I want you all to know that I love the lesson but I don't have the stamps so I would like to know if you all can send me a stamped envelope. Thank you, Louis, Louis has been in prison since 1981, 31 years. He went in at the age of 24.

**Amy's Parenting Class Essay**

*I have learn that I messed up, and I don't want my children to become like me. And how much God has to be apart of my life. I've also learned discipline and consequences are a very important in the life of children as well as for me. I have to grow up! And work very hard. That is not easy and it is a lot of hard work. Thank you for your time and the things you have taught me. Amy*