

## Prison Outreach

*"Prisons in every district throughout the region need Christian outreach ministries!"*

*- Missionary*

### Over 400 Young Boys in a Detention Center

Young boys in a detention center receive books, writing materials, school supplies and Christian literature. Most of these boys are arrested for petty theft, cheating, prostitution or just homelessness. Most are guilty of breaking laws in order to survive.

*"By His grace we have a wonderful time with the teachers and children. I hope and pray that these people are the Lord will change them their life and come to know God. I can feel when I preach and sing with them they are look like a believers children. Some children . . . I call them in front of people and they can lead the song with us. It is wonderful blessing for us , Lets give glory and honor unto Him.*

*The leader of the children told us that, "I am so wonderful when I see these people sing with you. I am very glad in that — I do not worship your God but I can see the children's life change to glory." Before when we left them the teacher told us that, "Please come again and thank you."*

*-Indigenous Partner*



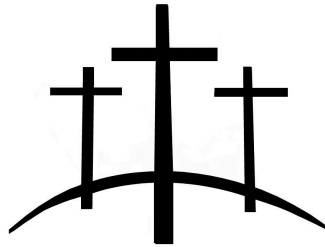
### Adult Prisoners From a Wide Range of Ethnicities Receive The Word in Their Own Languages

- Twenty-five Chinese speakers are now studying....some ask about baptism.
- A Vietnamese mentor shares with Vietnamese inmates
- Thai and Vietnamese women are having worship times together.
- Other ethnic groups also participate.



## Matthew 25:36b “....I was in prison and you visited me.”

In some places, pastors are allowed to present group studies; in others inmates organize their own studies. And, in cases where correspondence studies are available in a particular language, some inmates enroll, sending a completed lesson to a mentor who then returns corrections and encouragements along with the next lesson.



## “God has given me the gift of prison.”

We recently met with a woman in a Thai prison who had been sentenced for 5 years for breaking the law. She told us that she was a Christian before being jailed, but she strayed from the Lord. She believes God wanted to get her attention. She now studies the Word and shares the gospel with other prisoners. In this way, prison was a gift from God.

We all face prison in our own lives. Whether it is the jail of a difficult marriage, the golden handcuffs of an unfulfilling job, or the burden of a child that is so far gone that you don't know if you will ever get them back! Whatever conflicts you are dealing with, know that Jesus is with you. For how could we ever fully appreciate the power of the Holy Spirit without conflict and prisons. God wishes to use the conflicts of your life to glorify His name. Remember....

**John 8:36 (NIV) So if the Son sets you free, you will be free indeed.**

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