

BLIND-SIDED PART ONE

Adrian has put together some reflections on what caused him to spend time in the “Hole,” and we’ve decided to use this section and the backside to present it to you.

“I was very confused. I felt like time was moving in slow motion, seconds lasting for minutes, minutes lasting for hours. At times, it felt like time stood still. As my brain processed the variety of feelings rushing through my head, I reached to touch my left eye to see if I could feel the cause. I didn’t have to linger there for long; my hands instantly found the source. They were covered with blood, and my eye quickly started to swell itself shut.

“As if in an echo, a voice next to me called for help, ‘He’s bleeding pretty bad! There is blood everywhere! Get some help!’ The voice was drowned out by the sound of the alarm. For a moment, I felt safe and secure, knowing a team of officers was coming to my rescue.

“Get down! Prone out or I’ll pepper spray you! Let me see your hands’ Surely the voice didn’t mean me, did it? I was clearly and obviously the victim here. He must be screaming at my aggressor. ‘I said, get your belly on the ground and show me your hands!’ He was talking, yelling at me!

“I prostrated myself and placed my hands in front of me. A knee firmly situated itself on my spine. My arms were grabbed and placed in handcuffs behind my back. In one motion, I was pulled upright. I noticed I was the only one in the hallway; my aggressor wasn’t even around.

“A strong, bullish push came from behind and got my body moving forward. The pulling, pushing and yelling continued all the way to the medical clinic, where a nurse came to my defense and pointed out I was clearly the victim, and requested removal of my cuffs. With doubt, the officer hesitatingly removed them. (Continued on the other side....)

MAY ACTIVITY

In May, 13 volunteers held 42 classes, out of 50 scheduled (84%) consisting of 4745 students.

PRAYER CONCERNS

Praise!! Bennie Williams has been cleared to go into FCI Mendota, and the door has been opened to start our Inductive Bible Study program starting in July.

I was asked to speak at FCI Mendota Federal Prison’s Annual Volunteer Appreciation Dinner; I was also awarded “Volunteer Of The Year.”

1. Travel mercies on all the CBTW volunteers traveling to the prisons.
2. God to continue to supply volunteers desiring to minister to the incarcerated.
3. God blesses our effort to start working with the Stanislaus County Jail and their Re-Entry program students.

ZAC’S CORNER

Please be aware, and also be careful, where you place your blocks of love.

Build correctly!!

I John 2:15



“Christ Behind The Wall exists to disciple the incarcerated with life-changing classes, based on The Word of God, to deepen their relationship with, and strengthen their faith in Jesus Christ.”

“Remember those in prison as if you were their fellow prisoners...” Hebrews 13:3



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QUIPS FROM INSIDE

"The nurse washed off the blood, gauzed and taped my cuts shut. With one eye, I caught movement off in the distance—it was my aggressor. They had found him hiding in his cell. He was taken directly inside the Administration office. The nurse and officer now started sharing with me that since I was clearly assaulted, I would not be sent to the 'Hole' (Ad-Seg).

"Five minutes later, the Sergeant called me into his office, and said my attacker hit me because I was a gang leader. 'a gang leader!' I said in amazement. 'If you put me in front of this guy, I'm sure he will admit he got the wrong guy.' When the aggressor took a closer look, he said, "Nah, he's not the gang leader. He's uhm, the chapel guy.'

"A few minutes later, the Sergeant presented a form which required my signature stating I would not take revenge on my assailant when I ran into him again. I signed it and added "Romans 12:17-21' next to my signature. When asked what it meant, I told the Sergeant to look it up.

"I was blind-sided at 6:30 pm. I was on my way to the hospital for stitches at 8:45, and 9:30 was prepped for the ten stitches that was to follow. At 2:30 am, the next morning, I was finally picked up to be taken back to the prison.

"All I wanted to do is get back to my cell and sleep. It wasn't to be...instead of going to my cell, I was taken to Central...and learned that I was going to be taken to the 'Hole.'"

(Part II to be continued in July Newsletter)

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