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Brethren:

An exciting and historic event is taking place on June 9 – June 11, 2010 at the Madison, Alabama Church of Christ. The Madison Church of Christ is co-hosting the National Prison Ministry Workshop in conjunction with NLBNOA. Whether your congregation is already heavily involved in prison ministry or not at all, this Workshop offers all the tools to help you strengthen your ministry or provide you with a foundation that will lead to success.

The mission of NLBNOA is to establish Bible classes in every penal facility in this State, and the Workshop plays a major role in achieving this objective. We urge you to join us in this mission. Several of our Alabama congregations bring more than a hundred men and women to the Lord each year. This offers your congregation a tremendous opportunity in outreach to the lost. Read what our Savior said in Matthew 25:31-46. Prison ministry was certainly a part of His plan! If you want to know more about NLBNOA, visit our website at www.alabamanlbnetwork.org.

This is what you receive by attending the National Prison Ministry Workshop:

- Fellowship with Christians from all over the United States. You'll commune with committed brethren, fervent in their desire to bring the lost to Christ! Your spiritual engines will certainly be recharged in service to the Lord! It will be a tremendously enjoyable time for you!
- You will hear enthusiastic, motivational speakers from throughout the nation. These men and women are experienced prison ministers, men and women of vision, who understand the problems and potential of reaching men and women behind bars. *The fields are truly white unto harvest . . .*
- The agenda consists of five tracks . . . from a track for the beginning ministry to two tracks of general interest subjects, to after-care and a track for women prison ministers. Every phase and part of prison ministry will be covered.
- Buck Griffith and H. M. Motsinger, co-founders of New Life Behavior Ministries, will demonstrate how to use the NLB curriculum. Those who attend these sessions will be certified as NLB instructors and receive a certificate stating this.
- Ron Goodman, who directs the Federal Prison Ministry Outreach, will cover how to initiate and teach Bible in Federal facilities.
- For those interested in establishing and operating a recovery or transitional home, speakers will present how-to and the pros and cons of organizational types, financing (including how to write and obtain grants), kinds of facilities, obtaining residents, home personnel and staff, operation with question and answer periods.



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- You'll learn how Bible correspondence courses can increase the success of your prison ministry manifold times and involve more members of your congregation in your ministry. You'll receive a free CD which contains the entire, tremendously successful Rainbow Correspondence System.
- You'll learn how Nations University helps you by providing tuition-free study to your prison students which leads to a Bible degree.
- You'll learn how to use Gospel Broadcasting Network and Gospel of Christ TV in your prison ministry.
- Penal and legal authorities, ministers, prison leaders, prison guards and staff, and elders will discuss their views of prison ministry.
- You'll learn how to establish support group classes and how to bring in families of the inmates to your church building.
- You'll learn the benefits of prison ministry to your congregation.
- You'll hear a stirring Keynote Address by Phillip Hines, an evangelist and prison minister.
- You'll enjoy the fellowship, fun and delicious food of an old-fashioned Southern BBQ!
- The Workshop is completely and conveniently contained in the Madison church building.
- And there is much, much more!

Let us suggest this. Visit the Workshop website at www.alprisonworkshop.com. Go over the agenda and speakers and other information. There is also a hotel accommodations with Workshop discounts list and a Workshop Registration Form. The website is being continually updated, so visit it often.

Madison, in the Huntsville region, is a *great* place to vacation for you and your family! It is less than 5 miles from the U. S. Space and Rocket Center, the top tourist attraction in Alabama! U. S. News and World Report has named Madison as one of the *Top 10 Places to Grow Up in America* and CNN Money lists it as one of the *Top 50 Best Places to Live in the United States!* And there are a zillion things to do in scenic North Alabama with its mountains, lakes, rivers, caves. Open the link on the website entitled *Area Attractions*. You and your family can have the best vacation of your life while learning to be more productive for the Lord!

Congregational leaders, why not send a team from your congregation to learn all about prison ministry? There is no better time than our National Prison Ministry Workshop next June! Your team can scan the agenda, select the sessions of most interest and assign team members to cover these particular sessions.

On behalf of the Madison church of Christ elders,



John Walton