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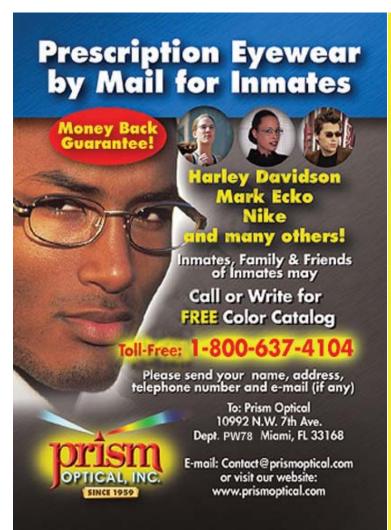


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- 2. Beijing, China
- 3. Clint Eastwood
- 4. 1977 Pontiac Trans Am
- 5. 5
- 6. 1 Observatory Circle
- 7. Honolulu, HI
- 8. Henry Winkler
- 9. KITT
- 10. 5
- 11. Maine
- 12. New Orleans
- 13. Sherman Hemsley
- 14. New Orleans
- 15. 99
- 16. Ohio River
- 17. Beverly Hills
- 18. Jamal Lewis
- 19. Katie Holmes
- 20. A Slingshot

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Torah: I am the first, and I am the last and besides me there is no God. (Isaiah 44:6)

Bible: The Lord our God is one Lord (Mark 12:29)

Quran: He is God, the One and Only (112:1)

VIP Answers

- 1. The Jeffersons
- 2. The Golden Girls
- 3. Family Ties
- 4. Different Strokes
- 5. A Different World
- 6. The Beverly Hillbillies
- 7. Gilligan's Island
- 8. The Facts of Life
- 9. Bosom Buddies
- 10. Cheers

CONTEST MANIA

We are introducing a new page in the magazine to announce our contests. We have decided to increase the amount of contests in which you are able to participate. Everyone loves competition and some of you are quite competitive. Unfortunately, we have not been able to give away any money in the Trivia Contests or Scrabble Challenges. We are not sure where the problem lies but we hope that everyone gets a chance to win something. Some contests will only be available to Subscribers and VIP's so make sure you read all of the instructions and also if there are any entry fees. We don't believe in luck but we wish everyone well and most of all have fun. Please pay attention to the entry deadline because there are no exceptions. Please submit all entries to Dawah International, LLC, PO Box 380, Powder Springs, GA, 30127. All winners will be announced one month after the entry deadline.

CONTEST #1 – DESIGN OUR COVER

Calling all of the graphic designers and creative people. This is your opportunity to show us what you got. Staying in sync with the PRISONWORLD MAGAZINE logo, design our cover for our November Issue. We always have a question for you to ponder on the cover and the question for November is "What Is Worse Than The Male Ego?" The design must contain the PRISONWORLD MAGAZINE logo at the top and the question at the bottom. NO VULGARITY, NO PROFANITY, NO PORN, and nothing that goes against what the magazine is about. We are looking for the BEST. Entries will not be returned. Please do not send anything other than what the contest calls for.

Entry Deadline: September 30, 2008

Grand Prize: Cover Design Published - There will only be one winner.

CONTEST #2 – MAKE ME LAUGH

Most people like to laugh and I am one of them. Write a 5 line joke or story that will put a smile on my face. IT MUST BE FUNNY. Do not send PROFANITY, VULGARITY or RACIAL JOKES. None of that is funny and never will be. I am the judge so it better be good. Anything over 5 lines will not be considered.

Entry Deadline: September 30, 2008

Grand Prize: A Free Basic Pen Pal Ad with prison-penpals.com

RUNNERS UP: 3 people will receive a FREE VIP MEMBERSHIP to Prisonworld

Magazine + a 1 Year Free Subscription

IT'S COOL TO BE SMART- FOR VIP'S ONLY

VIP's, we have a contest especially for you. List all of the words to describe a smart person you can think of. If you feel "nerd" is one, that's ok or "verbose" for those of you who know. I take a real special interest in this one. You can submit the list on a piece of paper and please make sure that it is numbered. We will verify the words and whoever has the most wins.

Entry Deadline: September 30, 2008

Grand Prize: A 2-month Platinum Membership with Inmatesworld.com

RUNNER UP: 1 person will receive a Free Basic Pen Pal Ad with prison-penpals.com

Letter from the Editors

Bismillaallahir-Rahmaanir-Rahiim, In the Name of GOD, most gracious most merciful...

Let's get this party started right! Year two and we're off and running. Let us start out with explaining why we do not publish our picture as many of you have requested. This magazine is not about US — it is about YOU. We don't want the spotlight. We have saved that all for you guys to shine as much as possible. I know curiosity hilled the cat and you guys just really want to put a face with a name. For those of you who have the first issue (June 2007), our pics were a part of the feature article. So to ease your curiosity a little here are three things about us. Jenny: 1) I love to shop. I like my pinks and purples but I love bold colors. I pick one power color every summer and this summer it's red. I am a true Muslimah and dress accordingly 2) I get cold very easily and cannot stand to be cold. I am a tea and hot chocolate drinker whenever the feeling hits. 3) I love to travel. I plan at least 4 to 5 major trips per year to go shop, eat, and just enjoy my family. Rufus: 1) Is a technology genius. Loves computers and troubleshooting them and gadgets of all hinds. 2) Cannot stand a liar and does not lie very well so he's stays away from lying. 3) Attends Jumah every Friday no matter where we are in the world. Now we hope that settles some of your curiosities.

We hope you all enjoyed the HUGE SURPRISE and will be doing it again shortly. CONGRATULATIONS to all of the CONTEST MANJA winners. Calling all graphic designers. There is a contest especially for you. (see pg 4).

If you really love the magazine and need a job reference, apply for the Prisonworld Internship Program. You will have a chance to work for the magazine and record company from prison. Information is available in your library or look for the information on pg 27. We will be making a BJG ANNNOUNCEMENT in the November Issue.

The Atlanta Car & Bike Show was off the chain. (pg 18). Back in the day the Caprice Classic was the car to trick out. We are definitely old school with just a touch of new school. Interviewing Bunny DeBarge (pg 26) reminded us of how old school we really were.

Currently we are processing pen pal ads from August of 2007. If you are submitting an ad, please supply your release date. With all of the mail we process, we cannot inform you when your ad is going to run. Also, the Poetic Justice (pg 7-8) submissions are from around the same time. If you would like your ad posted faster, you would need to be a VJP.

We are starting to have problems again with some of your mailrooms. It seems like daily we get stupid repsonses or mail being sent back for the dumbest reasons. We've had mail sent back for someone with LWP and it was mark "released". Gimme a break! We won't give up the fight!

SHOUTS OUT to all inmates who keep it real and are not about spending their time playing games. You know who you are.

From ALLAH we came and to him we will return. Would ALLAH approve of you going to the club? Remember ALLAH. Thank ALLAH. Worship ALLAH.

Rufus & Jenny Triplett Editors-in-Chief

Letters To The Editors

To whom it may concern:
I just heard about your pen pal ad program and just wanted to say thanks for having things like this out there for incarcerated women.
Tamatha Bradshaw 183277
F-1-18A,
8966 US Hwy 231,
Wetumpka, AL, 36092

Editor's Note: We love to hear from the women. The fellas write all the time but hey, where my girls at?

Jenny,

I'd like to say thanx and give props to you and all your staff for making an opportunity like this possible for those of us stuck in the belly of the beast. Other pen pal sites and media groups have taken an already bad situation and monopolized ion it for their own gain making our situations worst by manipulating our pockets by telling us stories (lies) of for sure pen pals and possible romance. Thank for keeping it real and not sugar coating the situation and for not stinging a playa's pockets. Big UPS to Prisonworld Magazine. May God bless you all with prosperity and success. One!

Damien Jackson 31045-177 FCI Petersburg Med PO Box 90043 Petersburg, VA 23804

Editor's Note: From day one we have kept it real. We will continue to keep it real because life is too short to play games. I think we've recognized all of the game players – even the ones who say "please hurry and send the info so I can place an order." Yeah, right. Our turnaround time is the same – fast – regardless. It's ok if you just want to hear your name at mail call. Now that's keeping it real.

Dawah International,
I think it is a beautiful thing you're
doing for guys like me. Thank you. If
possible, please send me an issue or
two of your paper. Once more, thank
you very much.
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Elder Nicole B. Simpson is a certified financial planner who is actively involved in economic empowerment in the penal system, and the educational system. A compelling motivational speaker, radio and television personality, and author, Ms. Simpson travels throughout the United States teaching basic financial principles. Her newest release "The Ultimate Plan...A Financial Survival Guide to Life's Unexpected Events" is currently available nationwide. Many of you desire to share your life story to help others avoid making the same mistakes you made so I will also provide practical information on how to write a book, how to copyright or patent an idea, and how to establish a business. But I solicit your input so please feel free to write me at P.O. Box 723 in Scotch Plains NJ 07076-0723. While on occasion, you will receive personal correspondence from me, I will use these pages to answer many of your questions. Until then, Blessings!

Retired Pen Pal List

This is the last list that we will be retiring for awhile. List #8, 9 and 10 Women and List #1 Men are still available. An OVERSEAS mixed list will be available shortly. OVERSEAS LISTS will be mixed between men and women – NO EXCEPTIONS!!!

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Poetic Justice

Wager

This is hell beyond a shallow of death – in here

There are souls with nothing left I have experienced life and I hate it Amongst the jaded

No longer the down trodden sufferer

But the self-inflicted hustler – fill your ego

Know that things aren't right there and things aren't fair,

But the choices I made got me here.

Influences accepted...Now deal with the wreckage

Who's affected – Fill your void... Done a bad thing, but my heart is not malicious,

Though I was dealt with sharp and vicious;

Like a snack for a beast – I was delicious

Young, black and impoverished - thought of as being lawless eat me for lunch in your courtroom, and send me up the river In which you drink from – fill your pocket...

Where did my choices come from? Being told to do right,

But being shown to do wrong for so long...

Was my choices narrowly made for me.

By the life that was gave to me... Was there ever a chance to wear the pants in my decision? To avoid this collision...Fill your

prison.

David Wilson H-60032 F1-02-103

PO Box 799001-9001 San Diego, CA 92179-9001 Some People say I have a criminal mind But a wasted intelligence is really my crime

God has blessed me with wisdom and understanding

Yet still I wait for the world to be handed to me

The weight of the world would feel heavy on my shoulders

The fire of my ambition would just sit there and smolder

Instead of using intellect to achieve positive solutions

Coming and deception seemed to be my infinite resolution.

Is it the ease of the forward way that appealed to me?

Or the challenge presented to live a life of honesty?

Maybe after all I'm not really that smart.

Considering I've allowed my cunningness to tear my world apart!
Now I shall flip all this upside down,
Work to remove the barriers, instead of trying to go around.

I will use morals, integrity, and pure common sense

To live a decent life, and remain on the right side of the fence.

And when all is finished, all said and done

I will overcome.

Jason Layne 520-868

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THOUGHTS

Why is it that when you get out of a swimming pool, your urine is hotter when you use the restroom?

Can mute people burp?

What happens if you put this side up face down while popping microwave popcorn?

Why is chopsticks one of the easiest songs to play on the piano, but the hardest thing to eat with?

How come you play at a recital, but recite at a play?

If a fork were made of gold would it still be considered silverware?

Pain of My People

Am I human enough to know words do hurt?

Or compassionate enough to understand my actions hurt others worst

Because I was stripped of my own history

And taken to a foreign land

Forced to watch my peoples suffer Taught languages I didn't comprehend

Somehow my captors befriended me

Made me believe that they were my friends

Brainwashed me of my ancestry

Laughed when I fought against my own kin I apologize for the pain I caused...and

realize what I must do

Because the enemy still lurks in the dark More powerful than me and you

So to my generation and people of my kind

Please take heed...open your eyes

The enemy is behind closed lines.

Nathaniel Holmes GJ8489

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I Can't See

I'm searching for light at the end of this tunnel

It's so hard to see for all the grief that I'm under

I've caused so much sorrow, caused so much pain

It's hard to tell if I've made any gains I want to make a new start, turn over a new leaf

I'm tired of being a liar, a con man, a thief I'm tired of waking each day full of guilt and remorse

I want to blaze a new path, to set a new course

I'm shouting your name Lord please answer my call

Please take my hand Lord, don't let me fall.

I can't see.

Charles Smith 408916

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A letter to God

It hasn't been such a bad day but it could have been better I reckon. Although, I thank God for it period. Life is something we take for granted everyday and we just don't realize it until so much of it's been wasted. Some of us never get the chance to realize it at all. Seems unfair, doesn't it? When you think back on all the chances we've had and some never even had a chance, it makes you wonder why God gave them to you. What have you done to deserve them? If you've done anything, can you even count on your hand how many really good things you've done just out of your heart? Or did you do most of them expecting something in return? I think it's time we learn from all the mistakes we've made and still have been blessed daily. Because one day God may give up on you just as your family and friends have, and give those blessings to someone else who appreciates them. And who can we blame when this time comes? Not God, because he opened our eyes so many times in ways that we knew it was no one but Him. We can only blame ourselves. All I know to do is pray to God for change in me and my actions. I can't do it on my own. If I can't change me I sure can't change nothing else. So may God be with me in the rest of this life, and may I be with God. For if I can't then who? There's no one else I can depend on in this lifetime. Oh, how I have forsaken Him in so many ways, and he still loves me. What more could I ask for? I think that's too much. But that's the selfishness within us event though we don't even think of it that way. God I do love you no matter what. Remold me to be the lady you intended. Maybe if you would talk to me in a way I understand then I could help you to make me be that lady. I know you have a purpose for me in this world I just don't know what. It's not that I don't want to do what it is; I just want to know what it is. If I hadn't got on satan's side and started using alcohol and drugs, then all the other bad things I've done that came from these addictions I may not have gotten so lost. But even still you were there protecting me when I was the world of sin itself. How could you love someone as and we can't even appreciate it enough to just give you an hour at a time or even a few minutes at a time unless we had just slid through another wrong doing that we shouldn't have. So, God in Heaven, do you think that you can clean this broken down, broken hearted and most of all broken spirit girl up one more time and wipe away all those nasty awful things I have done over and over away from my heart and soul? Put your hand on me; guide me in all the right direction. Or is it just too late for me?

Anita Jones 171654 Metro State Prison K-A-114D 1301 Constitution Rd Atlanta, GA 30316

<u>Poetic</u> Justice

AT WORK.....you're often required to carry a security card

Prison VS Work

From: prisonhearts (myspace)

IN PRISON......you spend the majority of your time in a 10X10 cell.

AT WORK.......you spend the majority of your time in an 8X8 cubicle.

AT WORK.......you get a break for one meal and you have to pay for it.

AT WORK.......you get more work for good behavior.

AT WORK.......you get more work for good behavior.

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IN PRISON.....the guard locks and unlocks all the doors for you.

If you ever get these two environments confused, this should make things a little bit clearer.

and open all the doors yourself.

IN PRISON......you can watch TV and play games. AT WORK.....you get fired for watching TV and playing

games.

IN PRISON......you get your own toilet.

AT WORK.....you share the toilet with some people who pee

on the seat.

IN PRISON......they allow your family and friends to visit.

AT WORK.....you're not supposed to even speak to your

family.

IN PRISON......you spend most of your life inside bars wanting to get out.

AT WORKyou spend most of your time wanting to get out.

and go inside bars.

IN PRISONyou must deal with sadistic wardens.

AT WORK......they're called managers.

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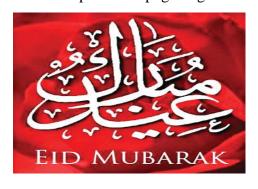
ISLAM 101

It takes a strong person to be Muslim. I can say that because I am. Daily I face ignorant statements made about my religion and discriminations based on falsehood. There is a common statement made that if someone doesn't know about something that they tend to fear it. Well I have to ask the question then who really has the problem? In today's world, the media is really to blame for the majority of the misconceptions you see regarding Islam. If you did not grow up around Muslims and all you ever saw was a terrorist on TV, then you tend to believe that that is what Islam is all about. Nothing could be farther from the truth.

Very briefly I will explain the basics of Islam. I would rather more people know the truth than make untruthful statements because you don't know any better. One thing God definitely gave us all is a brain. I would think that is a place where you have nothing but time to strengthen your largest muscle; you would use it to educate yourself. Knowledge is power. Ignorance is oppression.

THE FIVE PILLARS OF ISLAM I SHAHADAH – profession of faith

II SALAH – prescribed prayer III SAUM – prescribed fasting during the month of Ramadan IV ZAKAT – prescribed charity V HAIJJ – prescribed pilgrimage



Saum

Muslims are encouraged to enjoy the good things of life, including food, since everything that is good comes from God. Yet, for all healthy adult Muslims, one month of the year (Ramadan) is a month of fasting: they must eat nothing during daylight hours.

Why is Ramadan Important?

The festival of Ramadan celebrates the time when Muhammad the Prophet received the first revelation of the Qur'an from the angel Gabriel. This happened on the 27th of Ramadan — the Night of Power. Muhammad himself spoke about the angels coming down and calling blessings on all those who remember Allah, the Great and Glorious. His wife noticed that on that night Muhammad prayed with harder concentration and deeper feelings than at any other time.

What happens during Ramadan?

The obligation to fast during Ramadan is laid upon all adult Muslims except:

- those who are very old
- · those who are ill
- those who are menstruating, pregnant or breastfeeding
- those who are travelling

Apart from the elderly and the young, all other Muslims who miss the fast should make it up as soon as possible.

Each day of Ramadan the fast lasts from sunrise to sunset. As the Qur~an says:

Eat and drink until you can tell a white thread from a black one in the light of the coming dawn. Then resume the fast till nightfall.

The fast forbids the eating of food, the drinking of liquids, as well as smoking and any form of sexual contact.

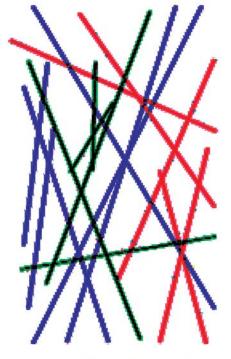
What is the benefit of the fast?

The fact that Muslims everywhere are taking part in the fast strengthens the feeling of solidarity amongst the Muslim community. The fast also reminds the rich of what it is like to be poor. Hunger is the same for everyone and so the fast of Ramadan makes everyone equal for a short time. There are also many spiritual benefits to be had from the month of Ramadan. Fasting should be accompanied by prayer, charitable gifts to the poor, contemplation and the complete reading of the Qur~an. By increasing a person's self discipline, fasting is also believed to draw the Muslim worshipper a little nearer to the ALLAH.

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Puzzle Time

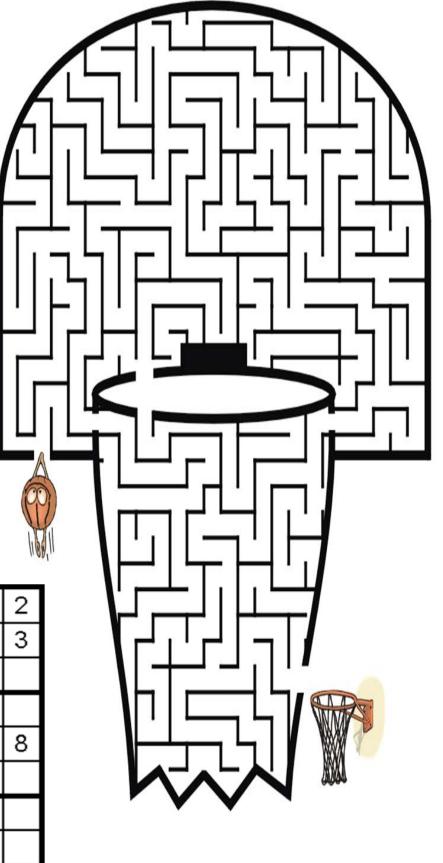
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Figure It Out

The recent inter-departmental jam making contest, four lucky candidates took part to make the juiciest strawberry jam. The ages of the contestants were 14, 17, 20 and 22. As it happens the person who came last was the oldest, whereas Stuart was three years older than the person who came second. James was neither the oldest nor the youngest and Kev finished ahead of the 17 year old, but didn't win. John was also unlucky this time and didn't win either. Can you determine who finished where and how old they are?

See Answers pg 27

Riddle Me This

- 1. Can you name three consecutive days without using the words Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday, Saturday, or Sunday?
- 2. What is black when you buy it, red when you use it, and gray when you throw it away?
- 3. What can be heard and caught but never seen?
- 4. They have not flesh, nor feathers, nor scales, nor bone. Yet they have fingers and thumbs of their own. What are they?
- 5. This is as light as a feather, yet no man can hold it for long. What is it?
- 6. A boy was at a carnival and went to a booth where a man said to the boy, "If I write your exact weight on this piece of paper then you have to give me \$50, but if I cannot, I will pay you \$50." The boy looked around and saw no scale so he agrees, thinking no matter what the carny writes he'll just say he weighs more or less. In the end the boy ended up paying the man \$50. How did the man win the bet?
- 7. Many things can create one, it can be of any shape or size, it is created for various reasons, and it can shrink or grow with time. What is it?

WORD SEARCH

A Hard Day's Night All My Loving All Together Now Baby's In Black Baby It's You Bad Boy Can't Buy Me Love Come Together Day Tripper Eight Days A Week Eleanor Rigby Free As A Bird From Me To You Get Back Hello Goodbye Help! Hey Jude I Feel Fine If I Fell Lady Madonna Let It Be Long Tall Sally Matchbox Michelle Money Paperback Writer Penny Lane Please Please Me Real Love Revolver Rubber Soul She Loves You Something Ticket To Ride Twist and Shout We Can Work It Out

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Yellow Submarine

Yesterday





Peter Gresham 02A2136, Eastern NY Correctional Facility, PO Box 338, Napanoch, NY, 12458-0338: I appreciate you taking the time to read my ad. 44 yr old, 5'9", 190lbs. I'm hoping to find a true friend and maybe a special someone like you to share my dreams, hopes, fears and goals. My hobbies are making greeting cards. My future goal is to be a successful businessman in mobile electronics.



Willie Ivy 93-B-2469, Attica Correctional Facility, PO Box 149, Attica, NY, 14011-0149: If you are reading these words... WOW! My prayers have been answered. Imprisoned, locked away in the Gallo's beneath the king's castle, my thoughts travel away to a vision of you. Fantasizing that you will be the spontaneous, sexy, mature woman who comes to the rescue of this 6' tall, 200lb, 41 year old man from Buffalo, NY. Contact me and I'll be free at last!!!



Harold Wilson 37418, Nebraska State Penitentiary, Lincoln, NE, 68542-2500: HELLO Freeworld ladies. Looking for some spice in my life, willing to pay for your spicy letters as I am "that" lonely. Divorced, no kids, 52 yrs and Nam Vet. Please write and "Let's make a deal".



Jamaal Sharif A88447, Statesville Correctional Center, PO Box 112, Joliet, IL, 60434: 6'1", 215lbs, first-time offender, victim of police misconduct, a creative genius, free lance writer, paralegal, poet, photographer, tailor, seeking courageous, adventuresome, affectionate, business-minded women, to help start an independent film & fashion couture company. Race unimportant. Peace!!!



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Tyrese Baker 173265, 1101 Linden Lane, Fairbault, MN, 55021: 5'9", 180lbs, w/no kids, very active in sports; enjoy listening to music, reading and having long conversations through pen and paper. I consider myself to be intelligent, kindhearted with a good sense of humor. Right now I'm looking for an honest, spiritual and open minded female friend who can engage and hold her own in various topics. Want to know more about me please write. Be Blessed. Be True. Be you.



Anthony Spaulding K-54932, Statesville CC, PO Box 112, Joliet, IL, 60434-0112: 6'2", 190lbs, 29 yr old looking for response from anyone interested. Hello world! You are looking at a former thug who has matured into a strong, intelligent, spiritual man. I was 16 yrs old when I got locked up. I was sentenced to life and since then I've tried everything possible to attain freedom. I am an assertive, funny, witty person who looks for the best in all situations. Since my incarceration I have become conscious to a lot of things I was blind in. Write me. I promise you won't regret it.



Charles Logan #235103, CCI, 986 Norwich New London Tpke, Uncasville, CT, 06382: I'm a 29 yr African-American – I've been incarcerated now for 12yrs – I'm looking for a beautiful female of any race – as long as she is open minded, graceful and loving. I myself love reading, talking – being outdoors. I hope to someday have a wife and kids. I simply enjoy life! My parole date is 3/29/11 though not guaranteed.



Comer Brascom 120429, Washington Correctional Institution, 4455 Sam Mitchell Drive, Chipley, FL, 32428: Looking for a good friend.



Ronny Polanco 23739-050, FCI Fairton, PO Box 420, Fairton, NJ, 08320: 33 yr old male, God-fearing, romantic, caring, open minded, great sense of humor, health conscious, single with no kids. I enjoy meeting new people, reading, movies, music, exercising and Sudoku puzzles. I'm looking for a female pen pal. Race and age is unimportant. Hopefully we can get to know each other and advance to bigger and better things.



Andre C. Smith Q05665, Taylor Annex CI, 8629 Hampton Springs Rd, Perry, FL, 32348: 36, 6'4" and in good shape. I played football in college; teach kids and coach kid's soccer as well as men's soccer. I've done TV commercials, ads for Nike, and other showbiz type stuff. I own an appraisal company in Florida. I like people that believe in God as they see Him. I dislike people who tease others based on their appearance, greedy people and selfish people. I play tennis, weight lift, read, snow ski, and go to the beach.



William S. Kimsey 333716, 1045 Horse Head Rd, Pikeville, TN, 37367: Looking for a friend.



Adrian McKenzie FW8205, 175 Progress Drive, Waynesburg, PA, 15370: Single, 28ys, 6'1", 198lbs, solid, very unique, from Bronx, NY, seeking new friends and any productive outlets. Very health conscious so I strive to preserve my sexy by working out and playing basketball. I love slow jams and I also express my pain thru my music. I'm a very crafty rap artist. Will respond to all letters I receive. I'm putting my pen down so you can pick up yours. Smile!



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Michael Edwards 320964, Gates CCI, 131 N Bridebrook Rd, Niantic, CT, 06357: Seeking pen pals.



Prince T. Bridges V-44252, Susanville State Prison, PO Box 2210, L-4 106 Low, Susanville, CA, 96127: Seeking pen pals.



Javier Cantu 1258731, Coffield Unit, Rt 1 Box 150, Tennessee Colony, TX, 75884: All my friends and family call me Jay. I was born and raised in Corpus Christi, Texas. My whole concept in placing this add is to meet a lady friend. I am a 26 year old Hispanic/Puerto Rican who does not desire much but effort and honesty. I am single at the present, still persistent to find her, by all means necessary. Looks, age or race is not a factor! If you feel enticed to write, or just need to confide in, please do not hesitate.



Toby R. Davis 234179, 3225 John Conley Dr., Lapeer, MI, 48446: Greetings Princess! I'm a 33 yr old African Prince who became very wise b/c of the roads I've traveled. I'm, 5'11", 225lbs, single w/no children but adorable nieces and nephews. I'm soon to be a published author who cherishes God, life, family, and friends. I'm open for a meaningful friendship and possibly more to a sincere woman who has a sense of direction. I vow to respond back to <u>ALL</u> letters. Be Blessed and keep God first.



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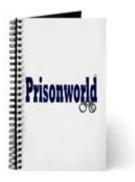
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Are You Old School or New School?

by Aishah Al-Amin

Let's get one thing straight. I am old school til the day I die. It seems like old school is making a comeback. To me, it has never left. Growing up the majority in the 70's and 80's, I have experienced two of the best decades to ever have existed.

What else can I say about the late 70's but bell bottoms and afros? Guess what? They are both back in style. It was such a time of care freeness; when family was important and having a color TV made you rich. I'll never forget Garanimals from SEARS, TRAXX from Kmart – that looked like ADIDAS and my first pair of NIKES from JC PENNEY. My mom was an avid SEARS, KMART and JC PENNEY shopper. Mind you this was all before Wal-Mart. Me and my sisters thought we were the stuff – if you know what I mean.

They just don't make shows like Good Times anymore. That show has lasted the test of time and is still fresh today. I grew up on good Times and my children are growing up on Good Times.



From earlier issues of the magazine you know we were bringing back the 80's. In what other time was Michael Jackson at his greatest? What has happened to the 76er's and the Dallas Cowboys? I still love Dallas today. That team has a lot of charisma, no matter who is coaching or who is playing. Yes, I have become new school and really dig the Indianapolis Colts which I feel have a lot of soul. But if Dallas and Indianapolis were in the Super Bowl, I would have to go old school and go with Dallas.

I would never go back to a Jeri Curl. Be honest, you know you had one. It was the style to have and grow it as long as you could and keep it shiny. Yes, I had one. No, it wasn't long or wet. I used a couple of push combs for style.

Todd Bridges was the man back then and I wanted to be like Kim Fields. Who would have known that a Black TV show, The Cosby Show, would reign supreme as the #1 show for years? I just watched that show the other night and it still cracks me up today. It is a true timeless masterpiece.

I had a HUFFY girl 10-speed. I would have just died for a moped. A Spree – either pink or red. I wanted a Chevette, too. I saw one a few weeks ago and just laughed. I did have a nice pair of roller skates with pink and purple frosted pom poms.

In the summer of 1989 if there was ever a powerful song it was Fight the power. If you listen to the words today -Elvis was a hero to most

But he never meant — to me you see Straight up racist that sucker was Simple and plain

Mother— him and John Wayne
Cause I'm Black and I'm proud
I'm ready and hyped plus I'm amped
Most of my heroes don't appear on no
stamps

Sample a look back you look and find Nothing but rednecks for 400 years if you check It didn't matter what the year, the message rang loud and true. That message still stands today with the destiny of our first Black president.

I can't skip the 90's and who would want to. By this time I called myself grown. New Jack Swing was in full effect. Hammer pants became a fashion statement, the jeri curl turned into the high top fade, and everybody was laughing at the Fresh Prince of Bel Air. This was another great family show with great messages. Once again I saw that show the other night on Nickelodeon and was rolling in laughter. Isn't it funny how things seem to come back around.

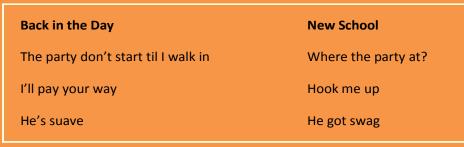
Kim Fields came out on Living Single and was still the girl. Teddy Riley had the 90's on lock. Now he has filed for bankruptcy. Cross Colors, FUBU, and Doc Martins were must haves. You barely see those fashions today. Kriss Kross had you wearing your pants backwards. Now they just barely wear them on their butts at all.

Yeah, give me old school any day. I still think Kim Fields is the girl. All of my ringtones are old school. This stuff that's out now – whatever. Lil Wayne – what the hell is he saying? I don't listen to much radio unless it is talk radio.

Guys back in the day were fine or suave. Now they have swag? Who comes up with this stuff? I'll stick with things that make sense.

New technology is my friend, computer, flash drives, DVD player, mp3 player, GPS, etc. I like a good ol school meal of fried chicken, macaroni and cheese, collard greens and cornbread. I believe in a good ol school butt whipping. I believe that visiting your elders is more important than visiting your friends.

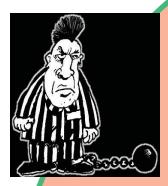
Back in the day we use to hunt down a pay phone, hoped that it worked, pray that we had a quarter to put in it, and normally someone answered. Today, you might get a good cell phone signal, get someone who is screening their caller id, and leave a message only for it not to be returned. Say what you want, but give me old school any day.





What's In A Name?

by Aishah Al-Amin









What's in a name? "Sticks and stones may break my bones but names will never hurt me". I really wish that were true. In a confined society, you try not to wear your emotions on your sleeve. Your defenses are up higher than Niagra Falls. All it takes is the right word on the right day or the wrong word on the wrong day. In just two seconds, all of that built up emotion and suppressed anger can turn into restriction, solitary confinement, or even a new charge. This is the power of words. It doesn't even matter who is saying it but if we are not in the right frame of mind, it can be received with vengence. Let's take a minute to examine the mentality of a person who would stoop to "labeling".

The word jailbird (meaning a person who is or has been confined in jail) was not meant to be descriptive or complimentary. It actually originated in the early 1600's to be a derogatory and demeaning word to label a particular social class. The person who chooses to use this word to describe a human being is appealing to the negative attributes of the individual. In all actuality, the person who uses the word is really no better in the eyes of God. The same is with inmate, convict, offender, ex-con, felon, etc. Even though it may describe a particular individual at the time they are going through a situation, it does not define the person or their life. That person could be a nurse, mother, warehouse worker, son, welder, firefighter, daughter, secretary, cousin, aunt, student, waitress, grandfather, administrator, and the list goes on. We ALL have shortcomings that can be labeled in a number of ways.

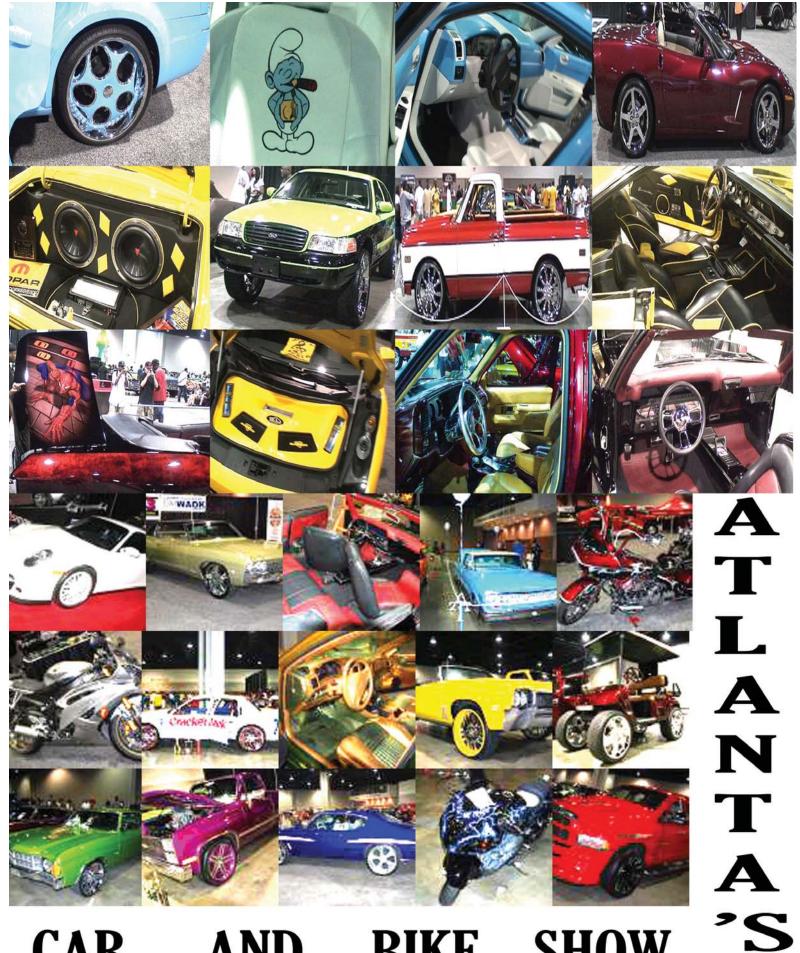
In order to overcome what these names mean and overcome those feelings when you hear them is to hold yourself in a higher regard. Someone can only hurt you if you allow it. Let those words bounce off of you. Let the person who is using them feel as small as a rat when you do not respond. Laugh it off. Know that you are better than those names. Know that your momma did not name you prisoner. So what if someone calls you an inmate. That is a temporary situation. So what if someone calls you a jailbird. Yeah, you may have been to jail, 1, 2, or even 3 times, but that may not be your situation now. So what if someone calls you a convicted felon. Is that all you are? Is that all you will be?

Even while incarcerated your state of mind does not have to be that of an INMATE. The guards get their jollies by calling people names thinking that it hurts you. It only hurts if you let it. Rise above the word games and the psychological torture. Some guards and administrators could be called worse things and I am sure they already have by many of you. Live outside the walls in your mind. When someone says "inmate", in your mind think "sir". When someone says "loser", in your mind think "professor". Once again, what's in name? Take a positive approach and make it what you want it to be. Don't let anybody take your power.

The only name that really matters at the End of Days is TRUE BELIEVER. If you cannot answer to that then may God have Mercy on your soul.

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What's Going On...





I am 39 years old. I was born in the state of Georgia and I live in Central Florida, USA. I have four kids and I work for a living. I have never been arrested or seen the inside of a jail cell, let alone been in prison. Yet, I know what it's like to be judged for things I've done and things I'm perceived to be. I know what it's like to be lonesome, miserable, alone and lost in a sea of this great nation we call America.

I am one of the many wives, husbands, girlfriends, boy friends, mothers, fathers, children, friends and extended family who love someone that went to prison.

In the twenty years he has been serving time in prison, I've learned things, I've seen things and I guess I've paid just a little too much attention. I have learned the judicial system can be manipulated and twisted to the needs and sometimes literal whims of those with power and money. I have learned inside each and every prison therein lies a society and dictatorship foreign to anything even remotely similar to that which we free people live. And, I have learned once you get caught up in the penal system, there's very little room to go any where...except back.

We have collectively decided to call our group The 21st Century Tea Party. We are just as tired of the problems and just as serious about positive change in the criminal justice system as the people were about taxes and representation when they threw The Boston Tea Party. We have decided not to be belligerent, violent or rebellious as none of those actions ever brought about much positive change and none of us can afford to get caught up in the system. We are not religiously or politically sided, we are all in this together regardless of religious beliefs or political affiliation. We are not here to bash Federal or State employees. It is not our belief that all prisoners are innocent and no one should ever go to prison. We also don't believe the present criminal justice system would be fit for the harshest criminal intent, either.

I've been aware of all these things for some time and always felt helpless as I am only one person...but, I didn't give up the hope of finding something I could do to change this very wrong situation. I know it won't be easy, but I finally found a group that has the same feelings I do about the conditions of the current criminal justice system. We are a national, internet based group of every day people that have come together to work towards effecting change for a more positive criminal justice system instead of the 'lock them up, lock any of them up, and throw away the key' mentality it seems to emulate today.

Instead, we have decided to educate the public on the real problems as many, even with family and friends locked up, seem to be grossly uninformed. We've been made aware of the massive numbers that do realize there are problems and just feel helpless and don't know what they as citizens can do. We have a message for those people and it goes along the lines of there being power in the people all coming together and presenting ourselves on a united front. We have to all come together and work in a civilized manner in order to get the laws changed, the conditions of prison corrected and the absolute absence of reentry programs either brought back or created.

Our Goals are:

- 1. Sentencing Reform- Our sentencing structure no longer fits the severity level of the crimes committed. Each sentence needs to be decided on the merits of the individual case involved.
- 2. Legal Representation Equally competent representation for everyone. There are thousands of innocent people who are incarcerated. Their only crime was they could not afford a competent attorney.
- 3. Drug Courts More drug courts to direct drug offenders to Rehabilitative Alternatives.
- 4. Medical Care Competent and timely care for every inmate. Healthy young men and women are entering prison only to come out with permanent disabilities and illnesses that could have been prevented. And, even worse some don't ever make it out alive.
- 5. Mental Health patients to be housed in Mental Health facilities run by professionals.
- 6. Education and Job Skill Training while incarcerated.
- 8. Re-entry Programs Mandatory for every inmate prior to release.
- 7. Communication Improve and encourage communication between inmates and those on the outside.
- 9. Parole Reform- Make the mission to be successful re-entry not failure.
- 10. Accountability Where do the profits from inmate labor go?

At least, we think that's a good place to start.

Tea's on! Anyone care to join us?

For more information or ways to help please go to www.21stcenturyteaparty.us and join the 21st Century Tea Party Yahoo Group. For those without access to the internet send a self addressed, stamped envelope to PO Box 1391 Highland City Florida 33846.

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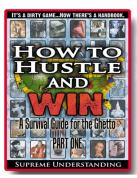
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- 7. How long is a Senator's term?
- 8. What president is on the penny?
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- 11. When did Tiger Woods win his first Masters?
- 12. Where do Muslims go to make Hajj?
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- 15. Name Justin Timberlake's boy band.
- 16. Who plays Michael Schofield on Prison Break?
- 17. Which Jackson played for the Oakland A's?
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- 19. Name the Three Stooges.
- 20. What profession stuffs and mounts the skins of animals for display?

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- 6. Name the movie that showed Tom Cruise dancing around in his underwear?
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- 8. What year did the space shuttle Challenger crash?
- 9. Where did Rocky Balboa live?
- 10. Name the actresses who played Cagney and Lacy.

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Avante L Johnson FN-3322, 175 Progress Drive, Waynesburg, PA, 15370: 30 yrs old, 5'11, 205lbs, bald headed, baby faced and bowlegged. I'm educated, broad minded and honest. My hobbies include writing, reading poetry, reading novels, Biographies and the Bible. I write spoken word and songs well. I love to eat, exercise and meet people. I like originality, homesty, humor, outgoing but at the same time conservative. I dislike people who are false and hollow, lazy, uptight and negative, conceited and deceptive.

Robert Nelson 421428, Smith State Prison, PO Box 726, Glennville, GA, 30426-0726: I'm a 40 yr old African-American male from Savannah, GA. I love to read and write novels, short stories, etc... I enjoy sports and traveling. I'm 5'11 inches tall, 210lbs. I'm interested in cordial correspondence with a nice lady. Race irrelevant.

Roger Gonzalez B-383302, 12551 Wainwright Dr, B-3216-U, Immokalee, FL, 34142: 47, Cuban-American/White American, 5'7", 170lbs, slim built, physically fit, brown hair, brown eyes, nice smile, easy going. I like dancing, exercising, reading, and swimming. I also like fine dining, movies, boating, the beach and the outdoors. I dislike smokers, drunks, drugs and loud people.

Tymeco Williams 826228, Macon State Prison E-1-221-B, PO Box 426, Oglethorpe, GA, 31068: 5'5", 184lbs, brown eyes, light brown skin. My hobbies are reading, writing, football, basketball & watching TV.

Adrian Ash 1222238, Johnson State Prison, E-1-123B, PO Box 344, Wrightsville, GA, 31096: 29, likes basketball, singing, writing & performing, music, drawing & a lot of other things. I am 5'10". 190lbs, medium build, and brown eyes. I am trying to find anyone out there who's willing to talk, and willing to listen. Share your thoughts with me and in exchange I'll share with you mine.

Antonio Boleware V73180/450-2-51L, PO Box 9, Avenal, CA, 93204: I am a 30 yr old Black male standing 6'0" tall, 210lbs with broad shoulders, dreadlocks, light brown eyes and brown skin. Divorced with 2 boys. I am interested in a woman that is sensual, passionate, has a sense of humor, strong belief in family and God fearing. Age and race is unimportant. I enjoy working out, jogging and reading. My taste in music ranges from classical to jazz. An animal lover and big time sports fan.

Anthony McDowell 513-397, MCI, PO Box 57, Marion, OH, 43301: I am looking for a female Christian pen-pal who I can write and share the word of God with. I'm 6'11/2", 242lbs, and brown eyes, single with no kids. I like playing chess, listening to jazz and R&B. 44 years old and in computer school and business class. My early release date is 12-8-08. I like reading the Bible and going to church.

Jason R Layne 520-868, MCI, PO Box 57, Marion, OH, 43301: I am 28 yrs old, 5°9", and 180lbs. I am very athletic; enjoy all sports, writing poetry, drawing and reading. I am a kind-hearted, compassionate person with a great deal of drive and ambition. I will write often if anyone is interested in writing.

Allen McLean H66199, 3H-56, SQSP, San Quentin, CA, 94974: I'm 34 yrs old and looking to correspond with a jazzy lady no matter race or background. I'm 6'1", 2051bs, athletically built, African-American. I enjoy writing rap songs. I intend to hop into the music industry and chase that musical income. I enjoy staying inside watching movies and beach walks. I definitely enjoying jogging and exercising in general. I'd love to bring a female friend into my life so we can exchange funny events and information.

Del Fullum, Sr CJ-7770, 5706 Glade Pike, Somerset, PA, 15501: Honest, sincere, professional, optimistic, romantic, athletic, cultural, humorous, kind, respectful, emotionally/financially secure, world traveler. I enjoy meditating, listening to music, inspirational reading, creative cooking, communing with nature, stargazing, meaningful silence/solitude, and gardening. Seeking an optimistic lady with complimentary qualities for a meaningful relationship. I want to explore your world, make you complete.

Charles Lee Pasley 528-615, PCI, PO Box 209, Orient, OH, 43146: 25, 5'6", 140lbs, blonde hair, brown eyes, with tattoos. I work out, restore older model cars and much more. I like romantic evenings alone, cuddling, and much more.

Reginald Stivender 413-245, PCI B2-E81, PO Box 209, Orient, OH, 43146-0209: Age 44, likes to read, write, travel, sports, music, cooking and pets. 5'7", 195lbs, brown eyes, bald and brown skin.

John Cisson 156573, Autry State Prison F-2-148B, PO Box 648, Pelham, GA, 31779: I'm 5'8", 222lbs and will lose weight. I have brown eyes and black hair. I like video games, sketching people and children. Would love to treat a woman out to a dinner, movies and maybe a walk on the beach in the moonlight holding hands. I love to dance to slow music and cuddle up in a warm fire. I pray this letter finds the special woman that can respond to this letter. Looking for the woman of my dreams.

Stephen Harmon, Red Rock Corr Ctr, 1752 Eat Arica Rd, Eloy, AZ, 85231: 47,5'8", 1951bs, auburn colored hair, mustache, brown eyes. I enjoy small gardening, raising small livestock, hunting, fishing, trapping, gold prospecting, off grid lifestyle. I make leather goods, study plastic, old religion. Looking for a single or divorced female, with or without children, height/weight in proportion. Any race

John Price V99545, 2-N-95U, SQSP, San Quentin, CA, 94976: 41, 5'10", handsome African-American, 215lbs who favors Evander Holyfield, very blessed with muscles naturally. No children but would like 1 or 2 in the future. I like photography, body building, meeting people and movies. I like open-minded women who are articulate and self-confident or willing to grow. I like women who can confide in me and vice versa and return letters on time. I do not like dishonest people. All races welcome!

Sumaria Love X23254, CIW, 16756 Chino Corona Road, Corona, CA, 92880-9508: Currently I prison in California and anxious to return to Georgia. I am lonely and desperate for a pen pal. Love to travel in the states & internationally. I enjoy reading, writing and would like to meet someone who can be an encourager, spiritual guide, teacher and friend. I am a Christian.

David Rodriguez V82206, ASP, 430-2-35up, PO Box 9, Avenal, CA, 93204: In search of a pen pal. Looking for a great girl I can get to know. Age and race never have been that important to me. I'm 5'10", brown eyes, brown hair, good looking funny and honest. If you'd like to take the time and drop me a line I know I wouldn't disappoint.

Anthony Ray Jones 1090850, Huntsville Unit C-4-2, 815 12th Street, Huntsville, TX, 77348: Looking for a female friend.

Darnell Levon Johnson 548-171, PO Box 300, Orient, OH, 43146: Γ m a single African male by choice. I just have not met a woman who is as serious and devoted as I. I have no children of my own, for the moment. I so not smoke but to each its own. I'm not the type to change anybody...I'm 5'7", a sensible caregiver by heart, light brown skin town. I am a momma's boy. I have seasick waves. I'm 27 with a lot of knowledge that brings wisdom and plenty of room to grow. Age is not a factor but you must have faith.

Curtis Epperson K-06634, 2-250-69up, Po Box 9, Avenal, CA, 93204: Looking for a sincere, spiritual minded woman between the ages of 40 to 50 years old who understand that being incarcerated doesn't make me a bad man. I'm 47 years old, 6'0", 200lbs, handsome and a one ladies man who is willing to listen and learn from a woman as long as we both are headed in the same direction in a spiritual manner.

Harry Bond E14640, ASP 520 51 up, PO Box 9, Avenal, CA, 93204: 45 yrs, 5'11", 185lbs, brown hair and eyes with a coffee and cream complexion. I only have a few months left and look forward to corresponding with someone that is sincere as I am.

Christopher Livesay F38178, GF4-22M, PO Box 9, Avenal, CA, 93204: I am a 57 year old male who loves to read, play the guitar and sing. I enjoy the outdoors, camping, swimming, hiking, reading suspense crime novels, historical fiction and spiritual. I am in good health, average build, 5'3", 160lbs and jog occasionally. I am fluent in Spanish. I will write to anyone, any age, race, sex, who cares to correspond.

Jeffrey Foster 391505, Moore Haven Correctional Facility, PO Box 718501, Moore Haven, FL, 33471: I am 29 and have been incarcerated for the last 13 years. I have short black wavy hair, brown eyes, 5°8", 170lbs with a beautiful physique and dark brown skin. My hobbies and past times are reading, working out, listening to music and meditating. I also love to write letters. I will respond to any and all letters.

Keith Benafield 817495, F-3215U, HCI, 12551 Wainwright Dr, Immokalee, FL, 34142: I recently just turned 34 yrs old, 5'11", 160lbs, It brown hair, hazel eyes and tattooed. Have many interests and a whole lotta time. I'm serving a 30 yr sentence with 4 years served to date. Any mail is welcome!

Ryan Harris K52325, Hamilton Annex, 11419 SW County Rd 249, Jasper, FL, 32052-3735: 31 yrs, 5'10", 140lbs, reddish-brown hair, blue eyes. Looking to meet new friends on the outside. I love to write letters and hope you'll take a moment to write me and introduce yourself. I answer all mail quickly, and enjoy talking about a variety of subjects.

Renard Young T-17610, ISP, B-3-119, PO Box 2199, Blythe, CA, 92226: I'm 25 years old, Black and Spanish, 5'9", 150lbs of all muscle. Though I am incapacitated at this moment I see this as a mere detour to straighten the curves in my future. I study law, music of all kinds, sports, business ownership, spiritual studies and anthropology. I was raised as a family oriented individual and I stay close to my family. I'm looking for someone to share my mind and experiences with.

Michael Lee Cummings 484644, MCI, PO Box 57, Marion, OH, 43301: White, 33,5'8", 165lbs, brown hair, hazel eyes, 1 child. In my spare time I fish, go 4 wheeling, drag racing, and spend time with my daughter. I like honesty, loyalty, faithfulness, respect, children, spending time at home with my woman, going to the beach, dinner and movies. I dislike liars, cheaters, laziness, procrastination and ignorance.

Charles Clark 521817, MCI, PO Box 57, Marion, OH, 43301: 59 yr Vietnam Veteran, 5'7", 161lbs, light brown skin Black man with hazel eyes, in good shape. I keep my head shaved so I am bald most of the time. I have a close cut beard. I like to read, draw, play most all sports, workout, run track, play cards, chess, dominoes, make items out of match sticks and toothpicks, write and meet new people. I like most movies, positive and encouraging people, most music, plays, amusement parks, fishing, biking and swimming.

Ely Lanier BD6389, SCI Forest D/A, PO Box 945, Marienville, PA, 16239: I'm 45 years old, 6'2", 220lbs. I'm an African –American male. I will supply photo upon request.

David Glossbrenner V51681, 410-1-10 Low, PO Box 9, Avenal, CA, 93204: 60, White, Widow who likes fishing, camping and anything outdoors. I have another two years to do and would really appreciate having someone to write to.

Gilbert J Sandoval F-59088, 530, 1-20up, PO Box 9, Avenal, CA, 93204: Single, 48, never been married. 5'9 1/2", brown eyes, black hair, mustache, 1951bs, very athletic. I work out a lot so I can stay in shape. I am very outgoing and love to go to different places. I ride a Harley Davidson. I am a friendly person and very respectful. I am looking for a special friend who would be interested in meeting a new friend. If you can find it in your heart, please write me.

Anita Jones 171654, Metro State Prison K-A-114-D, 1301 Constitution Rd SE, Atlanta, GA, 30316: I'm seeking a pen pal that would like to get to know on e another. I'm very open minded, outgoing, and love to share life with someone who is real and honest. I'm 46 yr old, brown hair, blue eyes and kinda thick build. I'm around 195 to 200 lbs but I do clean up pretty good. I'm very good at heart and if you're interested just write and I will respond.

Stacy Hull X03241, CIW Emmons A 429 L, 16756 Chino Corona Rd, Corona CA 92880: 27 years, 5'7", 195lbs, caramel skin, African American, brown eyes, medium brown hair. I'm very easy going, very romantic, enjoy reading, writing music, walks on the beach, cooking, doing massages, going out to movies and amusement parks. I'm open to new experiences. I don't like disrespect, arguments or violence. I like fun people who likes to conversate.

Renee Hoyt W83822, CIW EA 429U, 16756 Chino Corona Rd, Corona, CA, 92880: 25yrs, 5'3", 130lbs, long brown hair and brown eyes. I like both playing and watching sports. I enjoy all kinds of music, dancing and fun. In my spare time I read and write. I appreciate art. I like just about everything and I'm open to try new things – at least once.

Marlon Warsaw V-91789, ASP, 520-6up, PO Box 9, Avenal, CA, 93204: 33 yrs, 5'9" 170lbs, Black male, brown eyes, wavy hair. I am due to be released in April 2009. I enjoy cooking, watching and playing sports and

music. If you are interested I would love to hear from you.

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Jeff Hastings 039760, D2-110-L, Okeechobee Correctional Institution, 3420 NE 168th St, Okeechobee, FL, 34972-4824: White male, 5'10", 190lbs, blue eyes, salt/ pepper hair, 57 yrs, nonsmoker, non-drinker, non-drug user with a wide variety of hobbies and interests. Seeking correspondence with males who likes fishing, diving, outdoor sports, and boats who are over 50 years old.

Joaquin Quintero 627937, CTC Dorm 3 B-4, PO Box 16158, Atlanta, GA, 30321: A 34 yr old man who likes fishing, billiards, traveling and the outdoors.

Robbie E. Brower 154005/D2-127B, Johnson State Prison, PO Box 344, Wrightsville, GA, 31096: 45, 5'7", 155lbs with sandy blond hair and light blue eyes. 2 children, enjoys reading and writing especially if it pertains to our legal system and no I'm not a lawyer. I also enjoy poetry. I like scale trains & layouts, model cars, trucks, helicopters and planes. I look forward to hearing from you and I promise to respond to your letter as prompt as possible.

Richard S. Bender 117148/A1-135, Reception & Medical Center, PO Box 628, Lake Butler, FL, 32054: 38, 5'9", 180lbs, brown hair & eyes, like writing, drawing, listening to the radio and trying to stay in shape by playing softball, volleyball and football. I am searching or interested in writing all who respond to this ad.

Dwight X. Brown 261664, 1576 Bluewater Hwy, Ionia, MI, 48846: 26yr old, light skin African-American, 5'10", 194lbs with braids. I enjoy reading, R&B, Hip hop, jazz, neo-soul, and some country music, eating, cooking, basketball and chilling.

Jorge Charadan II 198701, Moore Haven Correctional Facility, PO Box 718501, Moore Haven, FL, 33471: 27 yrs, Black Cuban-American, 6'0", 194lbs who enjoys playing sports such as basketball & football, working out, reading, writing & meeting new people. I'm what you may call a true "young stud". I am truly nicely built with a very athletic frame through working out & playing sports my entire life. I have a red-pecan tan complexion with dark brown eyes. I'm seeking a "Real Woman" in every aspect

Karl Jackson N-0304u, PO Box 1700, Galesburg, IL, 61401: I'm 47 and young at heart and very strong in my convictions, educated and have lost most of my family. Will be released in Aug of 2008. I like drawing, reading and writing, nature, beauty, life and God. I dislike people of this civil world who partake in man and his civil laws. 5'5", a half pint but 100 proof, physical shape, drug free, very attractive, long hair, sorry brown eyes, and a wonderful heart. Seek love and possible marriage.

Jerry McMahon V-75898, M1 West Dorm Low N 166L, PO Box 500, Chino, CA, 91708-0600: I'm a 49 year old male, 6'2", 200lbs, very outgoing. As I sit here I think of the hard times in which we are faced with. I want you to know that God loves you and so do I. Everyone calls me ICE. We are all seeking that special person who is right for us. But if you've been through enough relationships, you begin to suspect there is no right person, just different flavors of wrong. I am ready for a lifelong mate. I hope it is you.

Rodney Foster 208482, WSPF, PO Box, Boscobel, WI, 53805: SBM, 32, 6 ft, 180lbs of pure ecstasy! My hobbies include reading and all kinds of sports. My dislikes are fake people. My likes are people who keep it real and know what they want out of life. I will reply to all letters.

Charles Moses K65174, EH-182L, PO Box 500, Chino, CA, 91708: I'm 45 years old, light skinned, love nature, picnics, walks along the beach, movies and fishing. I'm not picky. I find all women beautiful.

Davon Craft DG7040, 175 Progress Drive, Waynesburg, PA, 15370: 6'4" Black male who loves dogs, reading and drawing pictures. I have little friends and family is all over the United States. I would like to write people who like to write and maybe have more knowledge about publishing books. Will also exchange pictures.

Alphoncy Dangerfield Sr. 224668, WSPF, PO Box 9900, Boscobel, WI, 53805: Intelligent and Handsome Mandingo Warrior, African-American male, 36, light brown complexion, full lips, long dreadlocks to the middle of my back, 5'6", 150lbs, enjoys reading, writing, nice conversations, love all sports, work out daily. Seeking fun, nice looking female with a great butt. Race & age is open for friendship or possible relationship.

Thomas Riff 152395, ASP – Phoenix West, PO Box 18640, Phoenix, AZ, 85005-8640: 35 yrs, 6ft tall, 180lbs, athletic, green eyes & short brown hair. I like to read science fiction and fantasy adventure as well as enjoying video games along the same lines. If you are interested please drop me a line and I'll get back to you. If it matters, I am white.

Horatio Nimley GS9469, SCI Greene, 175 Progress Drive, Waynesburg, PA, 15370: Black male, dark complexion, 5'7", 150lbs and very handsome. I am in very good shape, physically and mentally. I'm interested in pen pals between the ages of 20-40 years old to correspond with. The race, height, weight, or ethnic group is not an issue, an neither is religion. As long as the pen pal is female it's all good.

Benjamin Swift, HC-01 Stainback Hwy, Hilo, HI, 96720: I am an intelligent 5'4" African-American, 140lbs, 27 years who loves all races of women. I hate to be lied to or not told hidden secrets. I'm very easy to get along with and like to keep the same kind of people around me. If any females are looking for a handsome nen pal then contact me.

Marvin Stephen Foster 529910/N-4212-U, Columbia Correctional Institution Annex, 216 SE Corrections Way, Lake City, FL, 32025: 5'9", 190lbs, 40yrs, brown hair, blue eyes. This is my first time in prison and definitely my last. I love the outdoors, going fishing and cooking for the person in my life. I love to travel and go to football games. I am straight and single, and have a good future. I am very smart and I love the Lord. I know how to treat a woman with total respect. I do not discriminate for any reason.

Otis Arrington B01941, Po Box 1700, Galesburg, IL, 61401: SBM, 6'0", 220lbs, very open-minded, looking for mature, passive friend for deep personal conversations about life & the future. Willing to relocate upon release. Only sincere person with stable home need reply. Photos & phone #'s get fastest replies.

Odis Haley Locklear 597553, Johnson State Prison H1-221-T, PO Box 344, Wrightsville, GA, 31096: I'm a native American, 5'9", 165lbs who likes to shoot pool, hunt, and study art.

Kevin Fields BT9531, RD 10 Box 10, Greensburg, PA, 15601: 42yrs, been in prison since 1990, 6'5", 240lbs, little gut, shaved bald head by choice, no children. I'm a music fiend – rock & roll to r&B. TO be honest Prince is my favorite artist. I don't have a preference of who writes. I'll pet a dog if it wags its tail. Hoping to hear from somebody soon.

Janet Lynch N13388, RC-Dorm B 180Low, 16756 Chino Corona Rd, Corona, CA, 92880-9508: California Babe looking for pen pals. Open minded, 5'8", long legs, red head, green eyes, 140lbs, in my 40's, I look younger and feel younger. I'm not lazy but adventurous; love the outdoors, reading, etc. Looking for friendship, possible marriage. I'll answer all letters as long as you send a stamped envelope. Age 21 and above.

Evangelio E. Torres F-24840, PO Box 450-1-33 Low, Avenal, CA, 93204-0009: I am a 44 year old Puerto Rican serving a 8 year prison sentence. My out date is 9-5-12. No letters will go unanswered. I promise.

Joseph Kennedy 722620, WSR, D225, PO Box 777, Monroe, WA, 98272: Very attractive 46 yr old, Black & Italian man, 6ft, 225 lbs, extremely nice arm & eye candy who's intelligent, witty, compassionate and open-minded. Would love to correspond with a classy woman for an exciting as well as rewarding friendship or possibly more.

Jeffrey L. Little F-06708, PO Box 799001, F1-3-216, San Diego, CA, 92179-9001: I'm an African-American, 44 years of age, 5'10", 220lbs, clean cut with a nice smile. My hobbies include writing, dancing, ping-pong, martial arts, boxing, watching movies (action & comedy), and reading a good book. I'm calm, easy going man, who likes to eat and have fun. I am seeking to correspond with a woman of color. African-American, Asian, or Hispanic. I'm open to all. I hope to hear from someone soon.

John McClure G13332, Reception & Medical Center, West Unit-A2117L, PO Box 628, Lake Butler, FL, 32054: I enjoy music and books. I have a 10 year sentence. I believe in God and have strong faith. I'm looking for a pen pal.

Carlos Ferrer 1205958, Lynaugh Unit, 1098 S Hwy 2037, Ft Stockton, TX, 79735: 26 year old Hispanic male looking for pen

James Webb Jr. F-68240, H-unit 2-H-41L, SQSP, PO Box F-68240, San Quentin, CA, 94974: 42, 6'3", 245lbs, African-Mexican and Black foot Indian, light complexion, dark brown hair in which I keep freshly faded on a weekly basis. I have eyes that turn from shades of grey to green. I'm kind; enjoy worshipping God, drawing, watching the 49ers play, fishing and just having a good time with a female companion. I truly believe in treating a man like a queen. If you are her, I will respond immediately.

Larry E Jefferson 475532, PO Box 300, Orient, OH, 43146: Γ m looking for females to share letter writing. Γ m 6'2", 228lbs, Black male. My hobbies are chess and word games. All races are welcome

Michelle Connor 1293132, 742 FM 712, Marlin, TX, 76661: Life is but a dream... Sparkling brown bedroom eyes with an almond tip. Tight from lips that will take your breath away. The body of a "Goddess", a radiant smile, and a tender touch is what best describes this "eye candy". My self worth is priceless. Am I the one for you?

Jeff Alexander 1024667, Walker State Prison Dorm 11 Bunk 24, PO Box 98, Rock Spring, GA, 30739: 25, 5'9", 156lbs, dark skin & of course cute. My hobbies are playing spades, chess, and reading books. I'm an educational, economical, political, social development type person. I'm in the Nation of Gods and Earth. The type of women are like are the ones who are highly educational and that's willing to drop some of them jewels on a king whose willing to return the same equal elevation. Black women only

Dartanya Sanders 401988, PO Box 600, Munising, MI, 49862: 6ft, 197lbs, brown eyes, brown skin, Black/Mexican, muscular build, long hair, single with no kids and I am all man.

Chief Joseph Arabie 70, Palmer Correctional Center, PO Box 919, Palmer, AK, 99645: I am a Koyotean Athabasca Indian. I was born in the land on the River Banks of the Chena River where I grew up and musked dogs all my life. I learned how to trap, hunt, and live off the land. I am an artist of 25 years. I carve Ivory wood, whale bone, bear teeth and many other materials. I love to tell stories around the camp fire at night before we all go to bed so we can dream of a new day to come.

David J Conley 1074133, Johnson State Prison D-1, PO Box 344, Wrightsville, GA, 31096: I am looking for a pen pal.

Ronald Smith 352354, 3420 NE 168th St, Okeechobee, FL, 34972: Black, 46, 5'11th, 181lbs, looking for pen pals MALE or FEMALE for friendship. I am down to earth and love meeting people. I am a fun loving guy, and will answer all letters, Write Soon.

Larry Rodriguez T64226/D2-99up, PO Box 690, Soledad, CA, 93960-0690: 5'11", 195lbs with an athletic build, black hair, brown eyes, golden brown skin. I like to play sports, go to the beach, hang out with family and friends and have fun. I am very adventurous and am up to try new things. I have a great sense of humor. I am looking to make a new friend.

Charles Clark 474089, Hamilton Annex (G1205L), 11419 SW County Rd 249, Jasper, FL, 32052: This man desperately needs a pen pal.

Joaquin Arevalo 1029331, GDCP, PO Box 3877 Hwy 36, Jackson, GA, 30233-0076: 30 yrs, Hispanic, 5'8", 1851bs, on Death Row. I love music, sports and easy going. I keep my mind occupied with drawing and being creative. I don't like to sleep much or not do anything. I exercise everyday to keep healthy playing basketball or volleyball. I like to tell funny stories and I like to make people laugh when I tell jokes. From time to time I like to sing Hispanic songs. I hope to hear from someone soon.

Jennifer knight 1086852, Metro State Prison F-B, 1301 Constitution Rd, Atlanta, GA, 30316: 27 yrs, 5'4", 145lbs, dark skin African American. Looking for friendship. I enjoy writing, reading, traveling, getting to know people for who they are and not what they were and what they got. I believe in loyalty, trust, honesty and positive outcomes from any situation. I'm eager to hear from all who are interested in getting to know a real woman whose life is revolving. Don't let this opportunity pass you by.

Charles Smith 408916, Moore Haven CI 3-D 205A, PO Box 718501, Moore Haven, FL, 33471: 46 year old White guy from a small county town in Indiana. Divorced, no children. I love the Lord and know he has forgiven me. I'd really love to hear my name during mail call.

DOWN WITH ME

Thomas Moore 711927 G1121 single, Apalachee correctional Institution, 52 West Unit Dr, Sneads, FL, 32460: 35 year old who enjoys surfing, slinging ink (tattoos) and drawing. I'm 165 lbs stocky build. This is my first time ever trying to find a pen pal. I'm focusing n school and trying to get as many trades as possible. I have no kids. Looks are not everything. I believe beauty is on the inside. I have brown balding hair. I'm the soft hearted type and looking for a real friend I can talk to.

David McGill Box 42, Palmer Correctional Center, PO Box 919, Palmer, AK, 99645: SWM, 47 years, been incarcerated for 23 years and going home soon. I don't smoke, drink hard liquor/beer or do drugs. I love my family, Harleys, fishing and hiking/camping out. I would like to hear from anyone who wants to write. NO GAYS PLFASE.

Sean Williams 1075709, Telfair SP, Milan Unit, dorm E-2/B-1, PO Box 549, Helena, GA, 31037: 27, 5'4", 145lbs, dark skinned, Black man, bald head. No particular religion. Well rounded heterosexual in search of sensible intelligent females to correspond with. Race, age and religion not an issue.

Alexander Sanchez B16167, Hill CC, PO Box 1700, Galesburg, IL, 61402: Single Latin male, 37, 185lbs, 5'9", brown hair and eyes. My interests include weightlifting, sports, reading 7 writing. Seeking open minded, upbeat female for friendship/correspondence. Age & race not important.

William Martin V-67181, FSP, PO Box 715071, Represa, CA, 95671-5071: I'm a very intellectual brother who has a strong educational background. I hope you give me a chance to take you to executive levels of life's ups and downs. If you are reading this ad put a smile on your face and get at me.

David Rogers F26859, 610/1-33up, Avenal State Prison, PO Box 9, Avenal, CA, 93204: 29, 5'11", brown hair and eyes, light tan white skin. I'm a very loving, caring loyal and humble person with a fun loving personality. I very much enjoy music of all kinds, dancing, horseback writing, skateboarding as well as art and writing short stories. I'm looking for female pen pals who have similar interests and who is as well understanding with a fun-loving personality 21 years or older.

Billy Sumrall M6271, Delta Correctional Facility, 3800 County Road 540, Greenwood, MS, 38930: 6ft, brown hair, brown eyes, medium build and an energetic type person. My hobbies are watching scary movies and hanging out with friends but most of all I like sitting outside listening to nature.

Joseph Ryals N9848, Delta Correctional Facility, 3800 County Road 540, Greenwood, MS, 38930: white male, 24, 200 with a muscular frame, dark brown hair cut short, greenish blue eyes. I like welding, working out, drawing and reading. I like women that will allow themselves to open up and have fun with their words. 18 and up please.

Edgar Chrystal R21883, PO Box 1700, Galesburg, IL, 61401: I'm looking for a pen-pal that is non-judgmental, caring and understanding. Any race is acceptable. 5'4", 165lbs, light skin African-American. Age 21 and up please.

Thomas Blake 575044, G-3111L, Hardee Correctional Institution, 6901 State Road 62, Bowling Green, FL, 33834-8976; White male, 41, 6ft, 172lbs, medium build, brown hair, hazel eyes. I enjoy drawing, reading, and listening to music – all types. I like sunset walks on the beach or by a lake. I'm hoping to find a female pen pal. No Males Please.

Donald Pollard 1014677, Scott State Prison H-C-79, PO Box 417, Hardwick, GA, 31034: White male, 6'2", 210lbs, 47 years but look younger, brown hair and hazel eyes. I was only married very briefly once and have no children but enjoy them. I am in good shape, just a little heavier, thanks to prison food. I am very active, love the beach, camping, nightlife, sports are not important but I enjoy Nascar. I grew up in the country but left home at 17 and travelled for 20 years working on commercial fishing vessels.

Earlie Murphy 1223361, Johnson State Prison, PO Box 344, Wrightsville, GA, 31096: Black male, 47, 230lbs, black/gray curly hair, believe in God. My hobbies include fitness, music, go-go, jazz, gospel, R&B, drawing, exotic travel and taking car of my lady. I like a women with exotic looks, whose real about herself, down with her man when he is down and she has pretty feet. I dislike a woman who does not take care of herself or not wanting to better herself when her situation went wrong.

John Sandifer 1212742, Macon Sate Prison D1/210, PO Box 426, Oglethorpe, GA, 31068: I am a published songwriter/poet and I'm looking for pen pals in GA/Tenn/Al. I'm of the Baptist faith, 56, 5'10", brown hair, blue eyes, 145lbs. I enjoy walks on the beach, travel, writing poetry, bowling, receiving mail and visiting instorical places. I enjoy baseball on TV and NASCAR. I have lost a lot of people in my family recently and I am looking for someone to write. Prefer females, any age.

Earl Johnson 433552, PCC H-2, PO Box 1056, DeQuincy, LA, 70633: 24, Black male, 6'2 ½", 217 who likes to read, lift weights, box, learn new skills, cook, sit back and watch a movie every once in awhile. I like to help people that are in need, whether it is giving someone something to eat or a few kind words to help build that person up. My only dislike is an angry bitter person who tries to make other people miserable.

Chad Benoit 462917, PO Box 1056 ND-3B, DeQuincy, LA, 70633: 33, two college degrees, ordained minister, looking for any intelligent conversation. Would love to trade stories and network for future non-profit organization.

Chris Council GT4230, PO Box 945, Marienvillie, PA, 16239: 24, love playing basketball, football, video games, traveling and having fun. I like girls who are outgoing, spontaneous, nice personality, and one who takes care of herself physically and mentally. I am 6'2", black hair and brown eyes, nice fit, do not smoke eigarettes, low cut hair, no children. If you like what you hear and wanna know more get at me.

Maurice Camper 087382, ASP Phoenix West 2-04, PO Box 18640, Phoenix, AZ, 85005-8640: 39, Hispanic, 5'10", 180lbs, black hair, brown yes, medium complexion. Like to write, sports, poetry, art and cooking. I dislike cigarettes, drugs, and dishonest people. In search of pen pals 20-45 years old. Single White or Hispanic females

Alex Camp F-60310, 3-H-11L, SQSP, San Quentin, CA, 94974: Black male, Muslim, 5'8", 1651bs, cocoa brown skin, dark brown eyes, short hair, 20, looking for 18 to late 20's. I write poems, travel, go clubbing sometimes, am very outgoing. I m seeking for an available beautiful woman. Will send pic.

Donald Cowens 0534165, Crossroads Correctional Center, 1115 Pence Rd, Cameron, MO, 64429-8804: Hello. I must say life is a very beautiful, artful experience that I enjoy its many pleasures. One is a beautiful, independent woman. I am vulnerable to hypnotic beauty. I view through words since I cannot see your face nor body. True love gets power from what is possessed inside.

 $\label{eq:continuous} \mbox{Joseph Ward B-77077, PO Box 112, Joliet, IL, } \mbox{60434: 43, Black, } \mbox{184lbs} - \mbox{three years left on my sentence.}$

Christopher Catey 170764, Ojibway Correctional Facility, N5707 Ojibway Rd, Marenisco, MI, 49947: White male, 44, red hair and blue eyes, 6'2", 250lbs. My interests are travel, crafts (woodworking, leather, etc.) computers, hunting and fishing. I like the outdoors and once I get out I'll pursue some of these things. I am planning on driving a truck for ten or 15 years saving up as much as I can in that time then buying a nice place out west in the mountains. Looking for Female Pen Pals.

John Bertie GW8819, SCI Forest EA1026, PO Box 945, Marienville, PA, 16239: White male, 49, 5'6", 140lbs, brown eyes and hair, no children, not married. Looking to write females, any race, color, 21 to 50 years young. Some likes are listening to music, travel, having a good time. Please write this lonely guy. Who knows it might work out.

Matthew Gilliard III 214943, LCI –SB #33, PO Box 205, Ridgeville, SC, 29472: 35, Black male, 5'10", 154, nice wavy hair, dark skin, pretty smile, and healthy. My hobbies include basketball, reading and laughing. I like a nice woman as a good friend and snickers bars. I dislike liars, cheaters and people who hate God.

Michelle Smith 1198196, Metro State Prison, 1301 Constitution Rd SE, Atlanta, GA, 30316: I'm wanting a talkative, outgoing pen pal. I draw and sing in my spare time and write poetry. I hope to go home early with good behavior. I'm a mother and can be a good friend. If I sound on your level write me.

Anthony Lewis 303349, Burruss CTC J-3, PO Box 5849, Forsyth, GA, 31029: Black male, 5'10", 220lbs. Looking for a female pen

pal. Race does not matter as long as feelings are mutual.

James Mack Garrett 846461, Johnson State Prison E-1-105B, PO Box 344: White male, blonde, brown eyes, 5'11 ½", 32. I do not have any sex crimes or drug charges. I have my mom and no one else. I do not really want to write someone locked up. I am lonely and would like to stretch to the outside world for friendship and to help pass my time. Those interested can check me out on the computer. I'm not bad looking I don't think at least. I've never been turned down anyway. I'm lonely. Please write.

Anthony Mims V-50984, PO Box 5008-1M-25-L, Calipatria, CA, 92233: 41, Black. Loves cooking, fishing and dancing. I'm a heart seeker looking for the real in a woman. I do strongly believe in romance. So if this is you, write me and I will write back. Age is only good for wine.

Jose Garcia GQ0184, SCI Forest DA-2059, PO Box 945, Marienville, PA, 16239: 5'7", 180lbs, full Pueto Rican, 22 and looking for a friend to conversate. I have black hair, brown eyes, Indian complexion. What I like in a female is a good personality, a sense of humor, and well educated. I do love a professional woman. I'm more attractive to the inner person of a woman and the crazy ugly. Trust and believe I'm pretty fly. I like going out to the movies, traveling, dinner and hip hop shows.

Michael Jay Graton 1004684, Telfair Sate Prison Milan Unit G-0-74T, PO Box 549, Helena, GA, 31037: 40, 5'9 ½", 179lbs, brown hair, brown eyes, White. I like drawing, calligraphy, photography, woodworking, camping, hiking, boating, cooking, honesty, integrity and self motivation. I dislike the system, people who have the opportunity to learn and choose not to and disorder.

Robert Toliver 548-259, PO Box 209, Orient, OH, 43146: 5'7", 165, nicely built, no body fat at all, muscular, nice looking guy for my age (43). My hobbies include music, sports, sharing and caring and working out. I'm a very easy going kind of guy and love meeting ne people who are really willing to what's right in life. I'm looking for someone who needs understanding. I'm looking for someone to share with. God bless you all.

Patricia Marshall 122411, AIS Dorm N-7-5A, 8966 US Hwy 231, Wetumpka, AL, 36092: 49, 5'2", 135lbs, loves to read, play volleyball, meditate and walk. I am also a welder. I am getting out in a few months or less. Looking for pen pals ages 38-60. Everyone calls me Pat.

Gary Varela V-25616, Cedar Hall C-130, PO Box 500, Chino, CA, 91708: 34, 5'8", 170lbs, long curly black hair, lots of piercings and tattooed back. Yeah I'm bringing sexy back. I work out a lot and read to keep my body and mind in good shape. I'm very loyal, kind and open-minded. I've been in 2 punk/Goth bands but I love all music. Well for those who wish to take a chance, go ahead and treat yourself. You'll make a very good friend. Have a photo for you, so write soon.

Derek Tyrone Price 725740, Cedar Hall B-112up, PO Box 500, Chino, CA, 91708: 23, African-American, brown eyes, black hair, 5'7", 147lbs, high yellow complexion. I like to play basketball, football & baseball. I also write music, poems and take adventure walks in the park and cook. I like honest people. I dislike a liar and a thief. I like talkative and easy going people. I like going to church, going shopping, going to the Pacific Ocean, hiking, and camping. I get along well with attractive women.

Abraham Franco 04A6543, Woodbourne Correctional Facility, 99 Prison Rd, PO Box 1000, Woodbourne, NY, 12788-1000: 25, 5'8", 200lbs, muscular build, low wavy hair, dark skin with rugged handsome features. I enjoy working out, taking care of my women and enjoying life. Hike a woman who's not afraid to take a chance, who's honest, dependable, focused with goals and dreams. I don't like ligs.

David Wilson H-60032, F1-02-103, PO Box 799001-9001, San Diego, CA, 92179-9001: 35, African American, totally reformed with a zest for life and prosperity. I have good financial and moral support from family. I'm god fearing, a poet/song writer, I have entrepreneurial ambitions, an aspirant of higher education and to a higher quality of life and moral standard. My search is for correspondence with anyone who believes there is good in everything and everyone. Race is unimportant.

Christopher Sauls 179884, ASP Phoenix West, PO Box 18640, Phoenix, AZ, 85005-8640: 31, 5'9", brown eyes, dark brown hair, Hispanic, humorous, outgoing, love kids. Looking for someone to correspond with.

Tammie Coleman 249597, Dorm F, 8966 Us Hwy 231, Wetumpka, AL, 36092: I am 30 years old from Northeast Georgia. I love to meet and communicate with new people. My hobbies include sports and outdoor activities. I consider myself outgoing, adventurous and friendly. If you take the chance to get to know me, I believe you will like me also.

Tamatha Bradshaw 183277, F-1-18A, 8966 Us Hwy 231, Wetumpka, AL, 36092: I am 40 years old. I like to fish, read, outdoor activities, camp, table games, spend time with family and friends. I love going to church and church activities. I consider myself kind, considerate, funny and easy to get along with. I love meeting new people. I do hope to hear from you. I don't think you will be disappointed.

Gary Slezak 109201, Lieber Correctional Institution, PO Box 205, Edisto B-5, Ridgeville, SC, 29472: W/M, 5'6', 58 yrs. My hobbies include cooking and carpentry. I have been in prison for 27 years and I go up for parole every year. I would like to write females interested in a relationship that I would like to have continued upon my release. I will write in response to male's who are interested in sponsoring my legal fight for release or parole.

Robert Neal K22186, Florida State Prison, 7819 NW 228th Street, Raiford, FL, 32026-1090: 30, 6'3", 180, BM, black hair, black eyes, likes are pretty much keeping up with myself, cooking, travel, sex, women, life, money and sports when I got time. On the short I'm looking to suck up my time, enjoy my letters, and enjoy me. They can't hold me here forever.

Terry Kerstetter GB9071, 801 Butler Pike, Mercer, PA, 16137: 32, 5'6", 155lbs, hazel eyes, fun, outgoing, likes a lot of outdoor activities and travel too. I've lived in Pennsylvania all my life. Never married w/no children. Looking to find a friend between 23vrs to 33 vrs. Max date 12/20/08.

Paul E. Lewis 191-654, CCI, Po Box 5500, Chillicothe, OH, 45601: 40 yrs, 6'0", 2051bs, darn good listener, would love someone to listen to me. I love to play pickle ball, handball and scrabble. I'm a non-smoker and never been into drugs. I work out 3 hours a day 6 days a week. I will answer all letters. Race and sex does not matter. I love people. By the way, I'm a Black guy if it matters.

Raymond Nichols N74133, PO Box 1700, Galesburg, IL, 61401: 33, African-American, 5'10", 181 lbs, brown eyes, brown complexion with short hair. I am from Chicago but I've been around the country living and learning and outside the country vacationing and exploring. My hobbies are chess, sports, reading and writing poetry. Being in prison I can't promise you much, but I can assure you I am honest, straight-forward and caring. Write me let's get to know each other.

Charlotte Madison 153602 F-1-8A, 8966 Us Hwy 231, Wetumpka, AL, 36092: I have blue eyes and looking for a pen pal. I love music, spots. If interested, write me. Thank you.

Ernesto Martinez F-09696, 2 gym #30 up, ASP, PO Box 9, Avenal, CA, 93204: 21yrs, 5'8", 1651bs, half White half Hispanic, light brown skin, light brown eyes, and a shaved head. My tongue and ears are pierced. My interests are movies, house parties, some sports, outdoor stuff, or just about any time spent around good people. I'm just a young man looking for someone with a good heart and a nice smile. Looking to start a new friendship.

Jed Gilchirst J69661, MSF 2-24, PO Box 5008, Calipatria, CA, 92233: 39, White, 6'1", 190lbs, brown hair, hazel eyes. I love to dance, love all kinds of music and comedy. I love to laugh. Seeking a lady for correspondence. I'm interested in finding that right lady for a letter relationship, possible marriage and more. Race is not a factor.

Charles Harris T-35363, Cedar Hall B-103L, Po Box 500, Chino, CA, 91708: 6'0", 255lbs, love to woodwork, hike, camp, sports, and becoming a nurse. Looking for a female pen pal who has like interests and who is liberal minded and outgoing.

Dwight Dilbert 99B2972, PO Box 149, Attica, NY, 14011-0149: 6°1 ½", 230lbs, 35, African-American, brown eyes, never married, 3 children. My hobbies are football, baseball and sometimes soccer. I am searching for Ms. Right as a friend/pen pal and whatever the future may bring with the blessings of God. Ethnicity, physical looks are unimportant. Kids are a plus. Hopefully, I'll hear from someone soon. Honesty is a very good quality.

Michael T. Norton 1040450, Scott State Prison, H-C-58, PO Box 417, Hardwick, GA, 31034-0417: 27, White Male, 5'9", black hair, blue eyes and a tan. I am looking for a nice lady pen pal. I like to read, write songs, poems, take long walks and most of all I live to cuddle next to the fireplace on a quiet night and listen to soft music play. I am looking for a laid back lady between the ages of 25-35 about 5'4" or shorter with a good personality. You must like to have fun and not be afraid to smile. Race unimportant.

Meguala Brown K65106, Telfair State Prison, Milan Unit GO 30T, PO Box 549, Helena, GA, 31037: 24 years old, 5°10° with light brown eyes & complexion, 160lbs, bald head and 11 tattoos. I have a sense of humor, am outgoing and energetic and like to

draw and chat.

Thomas Sherrer 414047, Scott State Prison H-C-90B, PO Box 417, Hardwick, GA, 31034: Just a good ol country boy born and raised on a cattle farm. 42, dark black hair, blue eyes, 1851bs, white, love to write letters. You can write and ask me anything you wish. I promise I will write back and answer all of your questions. Single with 3 kids, been married 2 times.

Mildred Price 207993, Dorm F-1-31-A, 8966 US Hwy 231, Wetumpka, AL, 36092: I have blue eyes, brown hair, 5'6", 150lbs, 50 years old. I like all sports, country music and older men. I do not have any dislikes.

Pam Hicks 252408, F2-15B, 8966 US Hwy 231, Wetumpka, AL, 36092: 39, 5'8", hazel green eyes, brown hair, 133lbs, love the outdoors, watching sports and quiet evenings at home.

Heather Coleman 240082, F2-14B, 8966 Us Hwy 231, Wetumpka, AL, 36092: 30, 5'0", brown eyes, blond hair, 130lbs, love the outdoors, sports of any kind, and watching scary movies.

Jennifer Arnold 202197, F2-21A, 8966 Us Hwy 231, Wetumpka, AL, 36092: 36, 5'4", brown eyes, brown hair, 160lbs, love the outdoors, love wildlife, am a true country girl.

Gregory Dooley 510-407, Marion Correctional Institution, PO Box 27, Marion, OH, 43301-0057: Black Male, 41, 6'6", love to write pen pals FEMALES ONLY. Active in the institution NAACP, Red Cross, Computer Lab, Vocational School, Sign Language, Spanish Course and a few other things to keep my mind busy. Would appreciate a pen pal to share experiences.

Kenyon McClelland T19229, F3-12-137L, PO Box 799003, San Diego, CA, 92179-9003: 27, 6'0", 185lbs, brown eyes & skin, with a really nicely built body. I'm looking for any & all pen pals. Take a chance on me, there will be no regrets. I'm African-American.

Ricky McElligott 702169, Moore Haven Correctional Facility, PO Box 718501, Moore Haven, FL, 33471: Blonde hair, blue eyes, 5'9", 1851bs, good build, 46. I get out in 6 years. I'm financially stable so I need no money. I have earned one degree in religious studies. I love shooting pool, riding horses, the beach, church, concerts, camping out in the stars. Looking for a female between the ages of 38 and 45. Race does not matter.

Reginald West FE-6643, 175 Progress Drive, Waynesburg, PA, 15370: 25 yrs, 180lbs, brown skinned, hazel brown eyes, dread locks, very athletic, basketball, football and boxing. I'm attractive and smart, down-to-earth, easy going, enjoy good company, good conversation and plenty of laughs. I'm just searching for a mature lady-friend, 18 and older, with a colorful personality. Respects, honesty, trustworthy and understanding are qualities I am looking for. So if you're that special one — write me.

James A. Duckett 112232, Florida State Prison, G-wing, 7819 NW 228th Street, Raiford, FL, 32026-1160: Almost 50, divorced, white male, 6'0", 300lbs, love letters and love to write. Will gladly write anyeon.

Damien Jackson 31045-177, FCI Petersburg Med, PO Box 90043, Petersburg, VA, 23804: 26, 6'1", smooth milk chocolate complexion and wavy black hair down to my back. My hobbies are writing songs(R&B, hip hop) and poetry, weight training and chess. I have a cool, positive demeanor. I love good conversation with intelligent females but I love women of all shades. Holla at

Charles May 05A3300, Camp Gabriels Correctional Facility, Po Box 100, Gabriels, NY, 12939-0100: 39, extremely well built, serious minded. I love to read law and positive material. Also I like jogging and am a vegetarian. Race not an issue.

Joseph Washington 1231858, Burrus Correctional Training Center J-3-J-72, PO Box 5849, Forsyth, GA, 31029: 35, 1921bs, Black male, 5'6", Christian who loves God. My hobbies are basketball, writing, singing and playing the keyboard. Looking for a pen pal.

Ricky Carter 1242247, Burrus Correctional Training Center J-3-32, PO Box 5849, Forsyth, GA, 31029: 37, 5'7", 240lbs, Black male. I enjoy poetry, chess, great movies, family days, cooking and also the word of God. I'm currently requesting a pen pal that is willing to broaden their horizon in every aspect of life. I look forward to a great meeting of heart and minds of one another.

Archie Lee Ricks 766873, 640 85 up, PO Box 9, Avenal, CA, 93204: I really enjoy reading and writing. Before my incarceration I use to correspond with incarcerated friends and family. My hobbies include cooking, bike riding, and exercising just to name a few. My mother had all boys and we all get down when it comes to cooking. I have reconnected myself with God since my incarceration and plan on keeping it that way. I am 6'5", in very good health. Yes I am very blessed thank you in mind body and soul.

M. Rodney Jones 244189, Cong 139 BRCI, 4460 Broad River Rd., Columbia, SC, 29210: 35 yrs, B/M, 6²⁴", 230lbs, brown skin, brown eyes, bald head. Looking for a blessed woman that almighty God directs to write me. Race, age, height does not matter. The Lord

James Abbey H-11248, Willow Hall-196U, PO Box 500, Chino, CA, 91708: My friends call me Scooter. I am a sexy, dark brown skinned, handsome man with bedroom brown eyes. 5'9", 210lbs, sweet loving 41 yrs young and full of energy. Hove sports, indoor and outdoor activities, picnics in the park, walks on the beach, moonlight dinners, romantic at heart, open minded, love to laugh and joke, can be serious when need be. Single, no kids, never been married bur would like to someday. Looking for a friend right now.

Robert E. Brooks F55341, Redwood Hall A118L, PO Box 500, Chino, CA, 91708-0500: 41 year old White male in Chino. 5'7", 190lbs, brown hair, hazel eyes. I like Mexican food, going camping. I'm easy going, kind hearted, caring, and loving.

Eugene W. Hillman V-41571 (B1-10-up), Pleasant Valley State Prison, PO Box 8502, Coalinga, CA, 93210: 29, 5'10", 220lbs, likes reading black literature, writing poetry as well as watching and playing sports. I am very spontaneous, a God fearing man who understands self. My interest in a woman is that she can conduct herself in a professional manner with business issues, know the essence of her beauty and ethnic background. Also she must be family oriented and very aware of herself.

Rudy Washington F-74583, PO Box 500, Chino, CA, 91708: 33 yrs, 5°9°, 106lbs, attractive male looking for pen pals. My hobbies include reading, writing, singing and I am also talented with my hands. Will respond to all letters.

Paul Balkcom C288880 3C-205a, Moore Haven Correctional Facility, PO Box 718501, Moore Haven, FL, 33471: Tm a very humble and patient individual who loves to communicate. 39 but look 25. I love happiness and willing to work through any indifference if necessary. I love reading, writing, mentoring kids, exercises mentally, physically and spiritually, cooking and education. 5'11 ½", 23olbs, muscular cuts, brown eyes, pecan tan complexion, clean cut wavy hair. I dislike racism and people that are consumed by it.

Steven Spencer 03B2189, Camp Gabriels Correctional Facility, Po Box 100, Gabriels, NY, 12939-0100: 29, 5'10", 170lbs, greenish-gree yeys, curly hair, tattoos, Puerto Rican-African American. I like writing poetry, shopping, amusement parks, and enjoying life

Cesar Varela K83977, PO Box 1700, Galesburg, IL, 61402: 26, 5'9", 190lbs, black hair but sporting a bald head, dark brown eyes, no kids, few tattoos, no piercings, outgoing, honest, caring and looking for a friend. I love sports, reading books, painting and writing.

Gary Hagg, Palmer Correctional Center, PO Box 919, Palmer, AK, 99645:53, enjoys reading and studying the Bible, playing guitar, fishing, camping and hiking. My hobbies are tying fly's, collecting old bottles, and wood working. I am recently divorced and enjoying spending time with my grandchildren.

Javier Romero 27407, Cedar Hall Bed A-108L, Po Box 500, Chino, CA, 91708: Mexican-American, 48 yrs, likes to play baseball, can write in Spanish. I would like to have a pen pal my age or older.

Derek Jones T37860, San Quentin State Prison, San Quentin, CA, 94964: 34, single, 6'0", 180 poundz, light brown skin and light brown eyes. I like writing, listening to music and playing sports.

Shug Robinson 323674, PO Box 549, Whiteville, TN, 38075: BM, 5'10", 185lbs, athletic build, dark brown eyes and a great smile. I'm down to earth, great sense of humor, non-judgmental, good conversationalist. even better listener.

Jason Beck F73607, SQSP, San Quentin, CA, 94974: 6ft, 220lbs, brown hair, brown eyed, 31 year old single White male who enjoys playing cards, working out, reading, writing letters and writing poems and listening to country and rock-n-roll music. I'm looking for a pen pal to become friends with and get to know. Who knows where it could lead. I've never been married and have no kids. Age and race don't matter to me. Weight and height don't matter to me either.

Corey Hipscher L46162, Moore Haven CI, PO Box 718501, Moore Haven, FL, 33471: White male, 35, looking for pen pal to write to. I'm intelligent, funny, and like to do a great many things. I am a nice guy who really could use a new friend.

Cordova Jorge EFD2-75 Low, Ironwood State Prison, PO Box 2199, Blythe, CA, 92226: TO any pen pal out there I hope you read this and are in the best of health. I'm 5'7", 170lbs, brown eyes & hair, 40 years old and not active anymore. Single with 2 kids. I'm looking to be released in 2009. I like all kinds of music but the ones I heard most is reggae and oldies. I love sports, reading and drawing. I am an honest person and don't like playing games. I am an old school "G". Whoever writes will get an answer

Frank Hannah 847601, H-C-1, Scott State Prison, PO Box 417, Hardwick, GA, 31034: Looking for a female pen pal. 37, White male, old country boy doing a little time. Write me a fe lines and

will direct that special someone.

I will write you back. Page 25

15 Minutes of Fame





Bunny Debarge

Debarge

Recently I had the pleasure of interviewing a standout old school artist from the DeBarge family. Bunny DeBarge, now 57, with 4 kids and 13 grandkids, has recently released a book, *The Kept Ones*, regarding her and her siblings, El, Bobby, Tommy, Mark, James, Chico and Randy's, drug use and abuse, death and the pain and suffering her family has endured over the years. Ms. DeBarge who hails from Grand Rapids, Michigan and an interracial family with a White father and Black mother endured years of racial remarks in school and never even had the pleasure of meeting her father's side of the family because he was disowned when he married her mother. Moma DeBarge pretty much raised the family and when the group made it big, she was a sealed part of the deal. Ms. DeBarge was very giving of her time and here is how our Q& A went:

Q Out of the other family groups that were out at the time of DeBarge, the Sylvers, the Jacksons, or the Jets, who were you compared to the most?

A We were most compared to the Jacksons.

Q Did your family agree with James and Janet (Jackson) getting married?

A No, we did not agree but we didn't even know. We didn't know they were that close and we didn't know they had gotten married. We felt they were both too young and we knew James had a drug problem.

Q Your brother Bobby died of AIDS in 1995. Did the family know anything about the disease and how did you all deal with that?

A We still haven't dealt with it. We knew he was dying but we wondered if he was ready to die. I thought he was going to be healed. We prayed a lot but Bobby rejected faith. He had lead an out there lifestyle. We have never dealt with his death as a family and actually that was the beginning to more problems. Everyone went their separate ways, moved away to different places and dove further into drug use.

Q Bobby and Chico were arrested for cocaine trafficking in 1988. Was that for sales or for personal use?

A Chico was at the wrong place at the wrong time and just got caught up in a situation. Bobby was for sales and personal use.

Q Do you miss the limelight?

A Coming from a gospel background and singing in the church, when we became a secular group I missed the joy of singing in that close setting.

Q One of my favorite moments from the group was when you guys were on Soul Train and Don Cornelius didn't believe that you all could hit those high notes live and he had you sing A'Cappella. What is a moment that stands out in your mind with the group?

A I remember when we realized DeBarge mania. We were in St. Louis and the girls were screaming and hollering so much. We were in amazement that they loved us so much. They had got a hold of my brother Mark and security had a time getting him loose. We had gotten to the limo and Randy was loving it so much he stuck his head out of the sunroof and it made the girls even crazier. It was straight mania.

Q Who was most helpful to the group in the industry?

A My brother Bobby and Berry Gordy.

Q Have you had run-ins with the law?

A Oh yes. I was driving without a license and driving with a suspended license. And I didn't learn my lesson because I got caught on more than one occasion.

Q Have you ever been caught with drugs? A Yes.

Q What was your drug of choice?

A Heroin and Cocaine. I was cross-addicted. I started in high school smoking weed and one thing leads to another. That was the thing to do – drugs. It was something to cover up the pain I was in.

Q I still see you in the fuchsia shirt and blue miniskirt. Now that you have children and grandchildren do you consider yourself old school or new school (in the way that you dress, cook, and society)?

A Definitely old school.

Q What do you think of the criminal justice system?

A I feel it was designed to keep the Black man down.

Q What encouraging words do you have for all of the prisoners reading this article?

A Get to know God personally. I have been there and done that. Only God can do it for you. Things happen to you to get your attention. God knows what you need. Take this time to build up your faith.

Jenny: Thank you for your time it has been a true pleasure speaking with you. I hope your book is a great success.

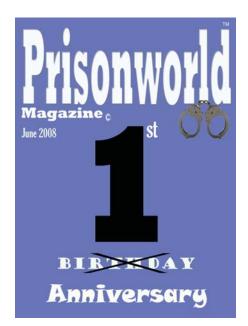
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- 2. Charcoal
- 3. A Remark
- 4. Gloves

7. A Hole

- 5. Your Breath
- 6. The man did exactly as he said he would and wrote "your exact weight" on the paper.

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Stories of the Prophets

JOSEPH

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In vain would one search the Bible narrative for such spiritual lessons. Then follows an account of the famine during which Joseph's brethren come to Egypt for buying provisions. Joseph recognizes them but they do not recognize him. They are asked to come again with Benjamin. Jacob gives them some instructions and the prophet in him is again brought to prominence: "Surely he was possessed of knowledge, because We had given him knowledge, but most people know not" (12:68). The Bible narrative is devoid of these inspiring thoughts.

Then follows the episode of the cup being placed in Benjamin's bag. According to the Bible narrative, Joseph himself commanded his steward to place it there: "And he commanded the steward of his house, saying ... put my cup, the silver cup in the sack's mouth of the youngest and his corn money. And he did according to the word that Joseph had spoken." (Gen. 44:1,2) According to the Qur'an narrative, Joseph did not give any such command, nor was it Joseph's cup but the King's cup. Who placed it in the sack, is not stated; it was either the steward or somebody else, maybe one of Joseph's brethren who did it by way of mischief.

Any how Benjamin was kept in Egypt and Joseph's brethren returned to their father and related to him the episode of the cup. Jacob blamed them in exactly the words in which he had blamed them when they had brought to him Joseph's shirt with false blood on it: "Nay, your soul have contrived an affair for you, so patience is good," (12:83). This incident, however, only gave him a renewed hope of meeting Joseph: "Maybe Allah will bring them together to me. Surely He is the Knowing, the Wise" (12:83).

The remembrance of Joseph brought tears to his eyes, and his sons blamed him for continuing to remember Joseph for so long after he had perished.⁶ But Jacob's hopes grew greater still: "He said: I complain of my grief and sorrow only to Allah, and I know from Allah what you know not: "O my sons, go and inquire about Joseph and his brother, and despair not of Allah's mercy. Surely none despairs of Allah's mercy except the disbelieving people." (12:86, 87)

This shows that Jacob had a true prophet's faith in the Divine promise given to him about Joseph, and he knew by Divine revelation that Joseph was alive. These wonderful spiritual lessons are nowhere to be met with in the Bible narrative, while the Qur'an narrative is full of them. This fact entirely changes the very nature of the dry Bible story of an old man losing a son and then finding him. In the Holy Qur'an we have one spiritual lesson following another giving comfort not only to Jacob but also to the Holy Prophet and his faithful followers. It was due to this that their trust in God was as solid as a rock, so that under no circumstances did they give way to despair. The difference in the two narratives may be briefly summed up as the difference between secular and sacred history, between a record of the past events and great spiritual lessons for the future.

The other aspect of Joseph's story has already been alluded to. In the story of Joseph is related the story of the Prophet himself. Such is the beginning: "Certainly in Joseph and his brethren there are signs for inquirers" (12:7). Such is also the end. After being raised to the highest dignity in the land, Joseph prays to God thus:

"My Lord, Thou hast given me of the kingdom and taught me of the interpretation of sayings. Originator of the heavens and the earth, Thou art my Friend in this world and the Hereafter. Make me die in submission and join me with the righteous." (12:101) And then follow the memorable words: "This is of the announcements relating to the unseen (which) We revealed to thee, and thou wast not with them when they resolved upon their affair, and they were devising plans." (12:102)

These were clearly the plans which the Prophet's enemies were now devising to put an end to his life, but he was told that their plans would fail, and they would at last come to him as Joseph's brethren came to Joseph, asking pardon for their cruelty to him and meeting with the magnanimous response of which history does not afford another instance:

"No reproof be against you this day. Allah may forgive you and He is the most Merciful of those who show mercy." (12:92)

References: History of the Prophets (As narrated in the Holy Quran compared with the Bible), Maulana Muhammad Ali





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