

## **Christian Fellowship Church (CFC) Jail Ministry** *“Discipling for Life Change”*

The mission of CFC’s Jail Ministry is to serve the needs of incarcerated men and women, and their families, primarily in the Loudoun County geographic area, by bringing them hope through the Gospel of Jesus Christ and addressing material and emotional support needs during and after incarceration in partnership with organizations in Northern Virginia.

Ministry efforts are divided into two primary functions: Direct Ministry, and Ministry Support.

### **Direct Ministry includes:**

- **Pre-release ministry** – This ministry function focuses on evangelism and discipleship to incarcerated men and women at the Loudoun County Adult Detention Center (ADC). Efforts include provisioning, grading, and commenting on Bible correspondence courses, in-person group Bible studies in partnership with Loudoun Christian Justice Mission (LCJM), and one-on-one mentoring. For individuals transferred to Virginia Department of Corrections facilities, discipleship efforts continue for as long as the individual would like.
- **Post-release (re-entry) ministry** – This ministry function helps returning citizens establish a new life in the community or reconcile and renew an appropriate previous community relationship. Post-release mentoring, connections and referrals with community resources are offered as appropriate.
- **Family ministry** – Family ministry efforts focus on spiritual, emotional and material needs for immediate families of ADC residents in coordination with other Care ministries of Christian Fellowship Church.

### **Ministry Support includes:**

- **Prayer** – Committed prayer warriors bring praise and intercessory prayer requests of residents, returning citizens, family members, and ministry team members before the Lord. Prayer requests are updated and provided weekly or as needed to those supporting this function.
- **Recruiting**– Recruiting involves sharing the mission and needs of the ministry with CFC members and attendees through one-on-one interactions, small group Q&A or support of church-wide ministry engagement efforts.
- **Training** – Experienced ministry team members orient and equip new team members in policies, procedures, tools, resources and other essential aspects of the ministry to ensure its effectiveness.
- **Administrative** – Administrative support addresses a variety of administrative needs such as maintaining course curricula information, CFC and community resource lists, manuals and handbooks, and information for the church website.