



## FROM THE ENCOURAGER'S

### MS. DONNA, DENVER

"I truly feel blessed by the Encouraging Word ministry. I did not expect to feel the connection that I do with my pen pal. I'm sure that's because God is working through us; He's definitely part of our relationship. Also, I think there's a bonding aspect to actually writing & receiving "old school" letters in comparison to texting & emailing. I remember having pen pals when I was a child, and this correspondence brings back that enjoyment."

### MR. TIM

"I received and have read the first letter from my "Insider". What a humbling experience to read his thoughts. One of the members of our Church goes to the county jail each week and says that the inmates are the ones saving him, not the other way around. I always thought I got what he was saying, but now I do on a whole different level."

### MS. MARGOT, MAINE

"I love this Ministry. It has really touched my heart. To share the Love of Christ with someone so young and that I will probably never meet is making me feel so good! My heart goes out to them. I'm thinking, there except by God's Grace, go!! To make a difference to someone is so encouraging to me as well."

### MS. CAROL, DENVER

"Encouraging Word Ministry is changing my heart. My heart cries when I read the letters. As an outsider, I can witness that God has a plan for their lives. No sin is too big for God to handle... God is giving them a chance to grow in faith and know His love. I can point out verses of encouragement and connect these to their experiences.. ...Just think we are following in reverse the footsteps of the Apostle Paul in the prison ministry. Paul spent apx 1/3 of his ministry in prison, yet Paul's prison letters are testaments of joy in the LORD. Paul's joy came from within, knowing that God is for us and has an eternal plan for us. Thank you so much for starting this ministry and continuing it through the Holy Spirit's inspiration."

### MS. ELLEN, MAINE

"I am so blessed to be part of this ministry. My insider seems to be doing very well. She is attending Bible studies, Celebrate Recovery, reading Christian books, etc. She is preparing herself for return to her family."

#### MR. JIM, COLORADO

“It’s incredible how believers can encourage each other. In prison for the rest of his life, presumably, Gary has grabbed hold of Our Savior for dear life and his strength and peace adds to mine.”

#### MS. DEBBIE

“A numbers person in accounting, who would think I could do this? I truly love my ‘insiders’ in ways I never thought possible. They are authentic. They are precious children of God with amazing stories of transformed lives.”

#### MS. HEIDI, DENVER

“Writing to my friend ‘inside’ through Encouraging Word has blessed me beyond what I expected. I’m humbled by her struggles and her great and growing faith, and I have seen God at work in each of our letters. What a wonderful ministry!”

#### MS. DEBRA, DENVER

“I received my packet of information from you yesterday with instructions and information about my ‘Insider.’ Thank You! I am like a mother with a new baby! Head over heels in love just because! My new child of God.”

#### MS. VAL, DENVER

“An Encouraging Word Ministry provided an open door and an avenue to act on a prompting God gave me many years ago, which was to focus on building up the body of believers – to be an Encourager! Mother Theresa said ‘We can do no great things—only small things, with great love.’ Praying “Lord, show me what I can do—specific, practical, and real’..He made it clear..my words (in a letter or card) can be a blessing..thank you, Lord!”

#### MS. DOTTIE, CALIFORNIA

“All praise and glory for Jesus’ great and mighty love. How blessed is this ministry to those sharing God’s love with insiders! I will see if God would give me a new insider when mine moves on to the half way house. I’d like to keep in touch with her after she leaves prison through EW ministry mail.”