

"Pve been in and out of jail seven times. The feeling of hopelessness resides on the inside. However, when Chaplain Ron gave me a [prisoner care] kit it put a smile on my face and brightened up my world. It put me in a better place. I want to thank everybody involved for this gift because it was the only thing that I received for my birthday." — Ollie (last name not used for security reasons)

Donating *prisoner care kits* **Reminding a person there is hope**



THANK YOU for sending a message of remembrance to current and formerly incarcerated individuals that their needs are not forgotten. Your gift of a prisoner care kit helps MCC restore one's sense of dignity and reminds them of God's love and provision no matter who or where they are. Thank you for your generosity.

MCC works with partner organizations to reach out to incarcerated individuals through Christian discipling and training, and returned citizens through housing and employment opportunities.

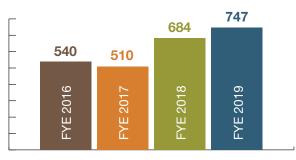
MCC East Coast staff member Ron Muse (center) distributes prisoner care kits with Major Christmas at a detention center in Philadelphia. (MCC photo/Melissa Engle Hess)

The value of a dollar is different when you earn pennies per hour. And in six states in the U.S., the wage is almost always zero pennies per hour for incarcerated individuals.¹ Having these basic hygiene items meets an essential need in a hopeless place.

¹prisonpolicy.org

Prisoner care kits distributed

to incarcerated individuals in North Philadelphia



The U.S. is home to 5% of the world's population and 25% of the world's prison population. People of color in the U.S. are incarcerated at disproportionate rates. White men have a one-in-17 chance of being imprisoned, while the chance is one-in-six for Hispanic men and one-in-three for African American men.²

²aclu.org



Learn how to make a prisoner care kit: Visit mcc.org/prisoner-care-kits or call 215.535.3624