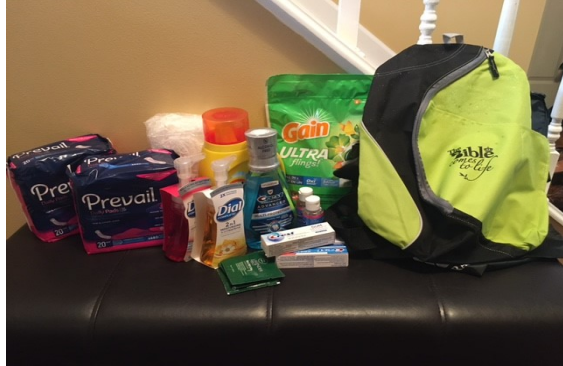


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THE LAUNCH

God made a way! Due to COVID19, the Faith Freedom Life Online Launch Experience successfully took place via Facebook and Instagram on September 19, 2020! The team came together with ideas, which were implemented and executed. **WLWT Channel 5 News Anchor Ashley Kirklen was the facilitator** and Stephen Easley of Easley Blessed Photography was the videographer.

THE WHY

Ohio has an incarceration rate of 679 per 100,000 people with 78,000 residents behind bars, and 250,000 residents on probation or parole. 44% of men and women return to prison within 1 year of being released. Faith Freedom Life exists to provide community and connections to inspire hope and help transform the lives of families of the incarcerated. Through support services, we strive to close the gap of reoffending by encouraging identification and acknowledgement of reoccurring individual and family patterns to facilitate inner healing. We believe if one family member at a time is willing to deal so they can heal, this will help decrease recidivism. We know that everything begins somewhere, so why not let the change you want to see in your family begin with you?



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COMMUNITY IMPACT

Let's Meet



The Board of Directors of Faith Freedom Life came together for an in person meet and greet to introduce the community to support group. A light continental breakfast was served. There were multiple activities in which supporters could partake. Special guest facilitator, Maggie Beckjord, Founder of Art of Becoming (visual journaling) provided counsel and spiritual direction. A safe space was created where we poured out and were poured into.

Due to the rising number of COVID19 cases, we began hosting support groups online via Zoom. COVID hasn't stopped us from gathering to offer hope and encouragement to those in need. Here is a participant quote: ***"What an absolutely wonderful time spent on the holiday meeting! I love the ladies of Faith Freedom Life! If you need a support group, prayer or just an ear to listen about your incarcerated loved one or yourself and how your life is being affected by family that is incarcerated, THIS is the place to find your help. Thank you, Lord, for setting me on this path!"***

Anyone impacted by the world of incarceration is welcome to join our support groups. We will host support groups via Zoom every 2 weeks until further notice. For more information, feel free to contact us by phone at 513-310-6068 or email at info@faithfreedomlife.org.

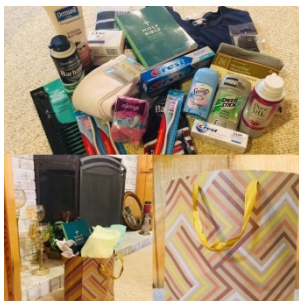


COMMUNITY IMPACT Cont.



Welcome Home Bags

This past summer, we were privileged enough to provide our first Welcome Home Bag to a returning citizen. This recipient received essential items such as deodorant, toothpaste, toothbrush, shampoo, shavers, socks, restaurant gift card, visa gift card and more!



The Spirit of Giving at Christmas

Our team was overjoyed to sponsor a family for Christmas through a partnership with Chazidy Bowman of Ohio Prisoner Justice League. It was truly an honor to see smiles of joy during Christmas season.



What's Next

We look forward to continuing support groups for people impacted by the criminal justice system, which is the cornerstone of Faith Freedom Life. In addition, starting 2021 we will have guest speakers to cover a range of topics including personal stories of incarceration to providing relevant education. We will continue to expand our footprint with grassroots efforts and marketing in order to provide more Welcome Home Bags, Family Support Bags, and basic financial assistance for families.

Call to Action

We need your support via monetary or in-kind donations. Please visit www.faithfreedomlife.org (Take Action Tab, drop down, click Donate) for more information about ways to donate, items needed, how your donations will be used, and how we honor and recognize our individual/corporate sponsors. We THANK YOU in advance for your support.



A Message to Our Donors

Look at what God has done!

Faith Freedom Life would like to extend a sincere and heartfelt THANK YOU to all our supporters who have provided monetary and in-kind donations since our launch. We want you to know that your donations helped us fund and assemble both Welcome Home Bags and Family Support Bags. We appreciate all your efforts and great works that help make us successful. We look forward to working with you all in the years to come as well. TOGETHER, we can provide basic necessities to those in need while supporting people in their life's journey ahead.



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