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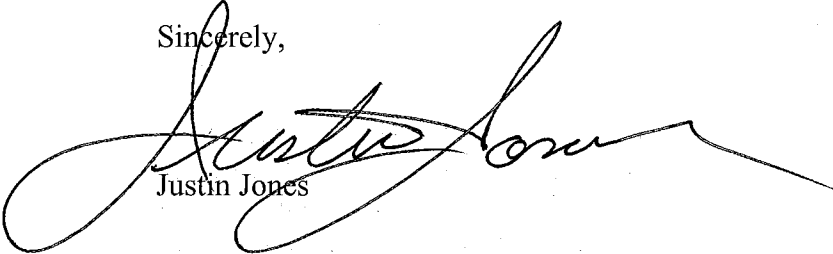
To the Faith Community of Oklahoma,

The mission of the Oklahoma Department of Corrections is to protect the public, to protect the employee and to protect the offender. Our mission covers a broad spectrum of responsibilities. We are dedicated to ensuring that those entrusted in our custody have every opportunity to rehabilitate through various programs and services so they can return to their communities as productive citizens. Additionally, rehabilitation offers the hope of restored marriages, families and communities, breaking the cycle of crime, victimization and incarceration.

Religious and faith based programming are important elements in offender rehabilitation and contributes to an offender's successful reentry. Unfortunately, one of the greatest challenges we face in rehabilitation is the lack of space to offer the necessary programs, activities and services. In most facilities, due to bed space issues, we do not have adequate space for all of the volunteer led religious worship services, study groups and faith based programs that could be offered.

The Oklahoma Department of Corrections is elated and appreciative of a partnership venture with World Mission Builders, a faith-based non-profit organization that specializes in constructing church buildings and chapels. World Mission Builders has offered to build chapels at several of our prisons. This would vastly increase the amount of religious services and faith-based programs available to those incarcerated and therefore, expand our efforts to transform lives and reduce recidivism.

Sincerely,



Justin Jones