

# Fall/Winter 2024

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2024 was a busy year full of new opportunities and blessing! We expanded into 2 new states, Tennessee and Alabama and played for somewhere between 2500 to 3000 inmates. We rode out Hurricane Milton in Florida and by the grace of God and the prayers of those who faithfully support us in prayer made it home safely from each ministry trip.

Our focus for the last half of 2024 was from 1 Corinthians 13:4-8 "Love is patient, love is kind. It does not envy, it does not boast, it is not proud. It does not dishonor others, it is not self-seeking, it is not easily angered, it keeps no record of wrongs. Love does not delight in evil but rejoices with the truth. It always protects, always trusts, always hopes, always perseveres. Love never fails." What a humbling blessing it has been to take this message into places where everything operates in opposition to these characteristics of our God and Savior. The cost of living like this is steep indeed for most of the men and women living in the institutions we walk into. Some have never heard this message and some are living faithfully in great difficulty and need all the encouragement they can get. Thank you to all those who helped.

### Social Media Intern

We were blessed with a Social Media Intern from Grove City College's E+I Fellows Program who worked with us from 9/23 through 11/22. Her focus was creating cross platform consistency, more effective use of Tik Tok, Instagram and Facebook to create awareness of the YELOline/edenlight mission. A goal is to use these platforms to funnel traffic to our dedicated website and YouTube channel to increase prayer and financial partnerships, help with booking and performance inquiries, identify other original musicians to partner with, etc. Please keep this in prayer. This internship was free to us and was a huge help. Lexi did a great job and we are so thankful for her help.



"I really appreciate that what you're sharing isn't just your ideas but it is scriptural ideas backed up by the authority of God's Word."

Chaplain in an Alabama Facility

edenlight ministering at one of the events at Lucille Plane Unit for Women in Texas early in 2024.

## **New Sound System:**

God has blessed us with funding for a new sound system that will be owned by YELOline Initiative. This is the sound system we will be taking on the road in 2025. The current sound system which is owned by edenlight and is coming to the end of its lifecycle will remain in our rehearsal studio.

## **Westward Expansion:**

The month of August was intentionally left performance free for recording a new album.....however God had other plans and an unexpected door opened in Arizona. We played at a church in Gold Canyon and may have an opportunity to play a larger Multichurch concert there next year. In addition we have a new home base there to work from if we are able to schedule some Arizona correctional facilities.

#### **New Album:**

Despite the Arizona detour we made good headway on our next album "Last Riders, Backsliders, & Outsiders". It is about 90% complete at this point and is scheduled slated for mixing and mastering at Paperbox Studio late 2024/early 2025. Release date TBD

#### **New Artists:**

We took local, original artist Justin Gray into Trumbull Correctional on October 30<sup>th</sup> 2024 so he can get a feel for what we do and how we do it. He played 3 original songs that were well received by the gentlemen in attendance. He is planning on going into SCI Albion with us on February 8<sup>th</sup>.

# 2024 Events from May through October

- 9/21 Cambridge Springs Women's Prison, Cambridge Springs, PA
- 9/22 Richland Correctional, Mansfield, OH
- 10/2 Fountain Correctional, Atmore, AL
- 10/3 Fountain Correctional, Atmore, AL
- 10/3 Holman Correctional, Atmore, AL
- 10/4 Fountain Correctional Annex, Atmore, AL
- 10/5 Holmes Correctional, Bonifay, FL
- 10/8 Polk Correctional, Polk FL
- 10/9 Zephyrhills Correctional, Zephyrhills, FL
- 10/10 Columbia Correctional, Lake City, FL
- 10/12 Florida State Prison, Raiford, FL
- 10/12 Union Correctional, Raiford, FL
- 10/20 Nobel Correctional, Caldwell, OH
- 10/30 Trumbull Correctional TCI Chapel, Leavittsburg, OH
- 9/14 Second Saturday Community Market, Meadville, PA

- 9/8 Southern Ohio Correctional, Lucasville, OH
- 9/1 SCI Forest, Marienville, PA
- 8/18 Center Stage Church, Gold Canyon, AZ
- 7/21 Ohio State Penitentiary, Youngstown, OH
- 7/14 Southeastern Correctional, Lancaster, OH
- 7/7 SCI Rockview, Bellefonte, PA
- 7/6 SCI Benner, Bellefonte, PA
- 7/3 SCI Mercer, Mercer, PA
- 6/26 Trumbull Correctional TCC Chapel, Leavittsburg, OH
- 6/23 Southern Ohio Correctional, Lucasville, OH
- 6/4 Chillicothe Correctional, Chillicothe, OH
- 5/26 Ohio Reformatory for Women, Marysville, OH