

Leader Letter

December 2017

FOR CHARACTER • FOR RELATIONSHIPS • FOR LIFE

Seed of the Month: Pardon

Forgiveness & Release



"Forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us."

- Matthew 6:12

Thoughts & Attitudes

- The Lord has forgiven me of so much!
- I appreciate that others have pardoned me.
- With the Lord's help,
 I can forgive others.

Words & Actions

- "Please forgive me."
- "I forgive you. Let's go forward together."
- Thank the Lord for the pardon He has provided.
- ◆ Let go of grudges.
- Write a letter asking for forgiveness.

A Christmas Prayer: Dear Lord, thank you for the pardon You have mercifully and graciously given me. Please help me to tell others the Good News that You offer them pardon too. Help me to graciously pardon those who commit offenses against me. May the wonder of your grace enable me to share the love of Jesus with others.

We wish you all a blessed Christmas!



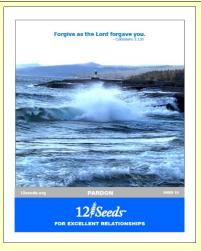
Shakopee Women's Prison: The Prison Fellowship Academy (PFA) at Shakopee Women's Prison began using the *12 Seeds* books and journal-workbooks in October. Norm will be speaking at the PFA Community Meeting at the prison on December 4th. He's been asked to share how he came to know the Lord, what impact that has on his life, what motivated him to write the *12 Seeds* book, and how God blessed his obedience in writing it. We'll share the answers to these questions in the January Leader Letter. To find out more about PFA at Shakopee Women's Prison, click here



Prison Transformation Radio. This new program is a joint venture with Salem Media Group, Prison Mission Association and R3 Collaborative for Recovery, Reentry and Renewal. This interview-based program on AM 980 The Mission radio will be broadcast every Saturday at 1 PM CST and will be available for digital listening on: www.am980themission.com. "The purpose of our show is to change hearts (the fixed attitudes, feelings and thoughts) associated with incarceration and addiction. . . and addressing post-prison and post-treatment needs that are critical to helping people stay out of prison and sober," said Jim Moore, co-host of the show and Executive Director of the R3 Collaborative.



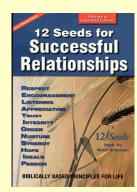
Prayer of a Relationship-Builder: This prayer, found on page 123 of the *12 Seeds* book and also



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The quality of our relationships reflects the quality of our lives.



This 128-page book promotes healthy, successful relationships in all areas of life.

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Purpose of this newsletter:

To remind about
12 powerful Biblical
principles for character
development and relationship
growth.

on our website, includes all 12 Biblical principles for healthy relationships. It is not only an inspiring prayer, but also a reminder of the importance of all *12 Seeds* in growing relationships. To download the poster, <u>click here</u>. To download the bookmark, <u>click here</u>.

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Challenging Questions for 2018:

- How are your relationships?
- Which of the 12 Seeds most needs to grow in your life?
- What do you plan to do about it?
- What do you resolve to do in 2018?

For help on all this, see the 12 Seeds book, especially pages 93 and 118 or visit our website at 12seeds.org.

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Help Multiply the 12 Seeds! By focusing on equipping and encouraging leaders, we multiply the impact of the 12 Seeds! Your gift to the 12 Seeds Ministry Fund will enable us to equip and encourage more leaders who are working with people in recovery from addiction and crime. To view the ministries that have received grants from the 12 Seeds Ministry Fund, click here. Your tax-deductible donation goes directly to the 12 Seeds Ministry Fund, administered by National Christian Foundation.

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