



Chapel of Hope



William Perry describes the crowded conditions and the need for a chapel at the Gurney Unit.

“The Gurney Unit can be a man’s fresh start. I found myself at a crossroad, searching for the true meaning in life. While here at church, I realized by conviction of God’s Holy Spirit, my sinful nature has kept me from fulfilling God’s purpose.

Our sanctuary in the gym is too small for the 2,000 men who are housed in this unit. We are able to have church Tuesdays, Fridays, Saturdays, and three times on Sundays. Our sanctuary is filled to the make, 280 men is our limit. We have nights where men are sent back, because of limited seating. I’ve witnessed 45 men in one church night give their lives to Jesus Christ.

With our limited resources, we have taken this matter to the Lord. Our Lord has put you in a position to make changes here at Gurney. I pray with steady faith you too will be compelled to see what a revelation can take place. Between 250 and 300 new men come into Gurney every week. Can you imagine all the lives that can be changed in the next 10 years, 20 years? (In fact, William has seen more than 800 offenders saved since in the six months following May 1, 2015.) My prayers come with this letter and hope this request reaches deep into your heart. “