



*I was sick, and you took care of me;
I was in prison, and you visited me.
-Matthew 25:36*

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2024 Annual Report

Dear Friends,

Reflecting on 2024, I am grateful for God's incredible work through Less Than The Least Ministries. This year has been one of growth, resilience, and hope as we continue to serve incarcerated individuals and ex-offenders with the love of Christ. From expanding our support for those re-entering society to launching new initiatives like *The Edge* podcast and the Dignity Drive, we have witnessed firsthand the power of faithful service and the generosity of supporters like you. None of this would be possible without your prayers, donations, and encouragement. Thank you for partnering with us in this vital ministry to bring hope, transformation, and the message of redemption to those who need it most. Together, we are making an eternal difference.

Blessings,

Bill Everts

Executive Director

Less Than The Least Ministries

A Year of Growth and Impact

This year, Less Than The Least Ministries (LTTL) has continued to serve incarcerated individuals and ex-offenders through transformative programs, critical resources, and the love of Christ. Here are some of the ways we've made an impact together in 2024:

Expanded Support for Ex-Offenders

- Assisted with relocations to a rehab center in Arkansas and a Christian discipleship program in Albuquerque, NM.
- Provided release clothing, food, computers, and cell phones to help several ex-offenders rebuild their lives.

Branded Programs with LTTL Identity

We unified our programs under the Less Than The Least Ministries brand to reflect our mission of transformation and hope:



- **Bibles Behind Bars:** Sent 277 free Bibles to inmates, including Spanish and large-print editions to meet specific needs.
- **Prison Discipleship Ministry:**
 - Taught the Starting Point discipleship classes for new believers at three prison units with over 100 graduates in 2024.
 - Expansion plans include a new course based on the soon-to-be-published book, *The Final Round: Fighting the Good Fight of Faith*.
- **Dignity Drive: Essentials for Inmates:** Raised over \$5,300, enabling the donation of hundreds of hygiene packs for incarcerated indigent individuals, each containing toothpaste, soap, shampoo, and deodorant.
- **The Edge Podcast:** It has officially launched! Episodes are now available on YouTube, Rumble, Spotify, and Apple Podcasts. The podcast shares powerful stories and insights into prison ministry.

- **Prayers And Letters (PALs)**

- We continue to respond to hundreds of prayer requests from our incarcerated brothers and sisters, responding to each one with biblical encouragement.

Meeting Practical Needs

- Donated multiple freezers to the Plane State Unit, allowing cold water to reach inmates housed in non-air-conditioned dormitories during the extreme summer heat.
- Donated hundreds of dollars' worth of clothing for men and women being released from prison.
- Donated a used Mackie 4080 Onyx mixer worth \$350 to the Clemens Unit for services in their gym.

Radio Ministry Exposure

In 2024, Less Than The Least Ministries was featured on two prominent Houston-area radio stations: KSBJ and KHCB. These interviews provided a valuable opportunity to share our ministry's mission and impact with a broader audience. The exposure resulted in tangible outcomes, including new volunteers and donors who have joined us in our efforts. One remarkable story came from a woman in a federal prison who heard our interview on KHCB. She reached out to us, sharing that she will be released this year and plans to move to Houston, where she hopes to become involved in our ministry. We are excited to continue building relationships with KSBJ and KHCB in 2025 as we expand our reach and deepen our impact.

Honoring Servant Leadership

In 2024, we had the privilege of honoring seven inmates with the coveted **David Gunter Heart of a Servant Award**, a recognition given to those who exemplify a spirit of service within their prison units. All recipients were nominated by their chaplains for their outstanding commitment to serving others. This year's honorees were **Stuart Busby, Damion Faulkner, Christopher Martinez, Jason McMahon, Calvin Small, Rex Stidman, and Jackie Welch**. Their dedication to living out a servant's heart is a testament to the transformative power of faith and service, and we celebrate their contributions to their communities.

Celebrating Our Team

In 2024, we were blessed with the addition of several dedicated volunteers and a new board member, all of whom have stepped up to advance the mission of Less Than The Least Ministries. Joining our volunteer (yes, unpaid) staff are **Wanda Daniel**, serving as Volunteer

Coordinator; **Angie Hill**, our new Grant Writer; **Jason Hill**, Social Media Director; and **Ron Anderson**, Dignity Drive Program Coordinator. Joining **David Miller** who has long been the Bibles Behind Bars program Manager, their hard work and passion have already significantly impacted our ministry. We also warmly welcome **Stephanie Piller**, who joined our Board of Directors. Her insight and commitment to our mission bring fresh energy and vision to our leadership. We are deeply grateful for each of these individuals and their willingness to serve, ensuring that we continue to bring hope and transformation to those we serve.

Relaunching Our Website

In 2024, we proudly relaunched our website with a fresh, professional design and enhanced functionality, thanks to the exceptional work of [Businelle Company, LLC](#). They developed an **AI-driven website** that allows us to dynamically update real-time content, making sharing news, resources, and updates with our supporters easier than ever. The new website's modern design and user-friendly features reflect the professionalism and heart of our ministry. We are incredibly grateful to Businelle Company, LLC for their dedication and expertise in bringing this project to life, helping us better serve our community and expand our reach.

Financial Overview

In 2024, we received **\$63,281 in donations** from a total of **79 donors**, with an average donation of **\$242**. Additionally, eight donors selected the recurring option when making an online donation, contributing a total of **\$1,759**, nearly doubling the amount donated that way in 2023.

2023 Financial Comparison:

While 2023 saw higher total donations of **\$93,109** from **124 donors** (averaging **\$307 per gift**), several factors highlight the strengths of 2024:

- **\$24,558.59** of 2023's income came from two one-time donations for specific equipment needs at the Stiles Unit.
- In 2024, when the use of the ministry's 2014 Ford Econoline van decreased significantly, we strategically reduced costs by selling it, adding **\$7,000** to our account and saving over **\$350 per month** on insurance and maintenance expenses.

These two factors put 2024 income at **\$70,281** compared to **\$68,550** for 2023.

New Initiatives and Partnerships:

- We held our first **Dine to Donate Night** in partnership with **Texas Roadhouse**, spreading awareness of our mission through events at three locations. This effort laid the groundwork for similar partnerships in the future.
- At the end of 2024, we entered into a partnership with **Thrive Nonprofit Solutions**, who have begun researching grants for the ministry. We are optimistic that this will become a significant source of funding in **2025 and beyond**.

Despite challenging economic conditions, **2024 was a year of stability and growth**, with effective cost-saving measures, new partnerships, and a focus on sustainable income sources.

Looking Ahead to 2025

- Expanding our discipleship efforts to more units.
- Enhancing *The Edge* podcast for inmate tablet access.
- Growing our support for ex-offenders through mentorship, resources, and relocation assistance.

Thank You

We are deeply grateful for your partnership in this ministry. Together, we are transforming lives with the message of hope and redemption.