



The MAN

Minister Anthony Parker is the founder and director of the H.O.P.E. Institute and Senior Minister of Tony Parker Ministries, Incorporated. He is also a former inmate who was sentenced to 27 and a half years for a cocaine conspiracy and was miraculously released on March 4, 2008 after serving 18 years. Since his release, he has experienced his own reentry challenges and periodically returns to jails and prisons to share his challenges with inmates awaiting release. His work with gangs inside the prison and within the community affords gang members a way out, while reaffirming his own convictions to make a positive difference; even in the most adverse circumstances.

Though now he is also known as an



“Your future is not determined by your past, but by what you do with what you have... it is not over.”

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Supported by various police agencies

political officials. He now sits on the State of Florida Attorney General's Region 2 Gang Reduction Task Force and was recently elected as Chairman of the Region 2 Reentry Committee.

outstanding preacher/teacher, revivalist, motivational speaker, community leader, author and radio/internet broadcaster, he remains fully committed to assisting former inmates with a successful reentry. His work in registering ex-offenders to vote, gang awareness and youth leadership conferences have gained the watchful eye of local and state



Students attending the anti-gang campaign

The MANDATE

From the tender age of 24, up until the age of 42 (18 years), he was locked inside of a federal correctional facility. It was there, inside the prison, that the mandate to help others that are incarcerated was born. Who better to help the incarcerated prepare for a life beyond the prison setting than someone with firsthand experience; someone who has been there and done that? In partnership with elected officials, community based organizations and ministries, the H.O.P.E. Institute and TPM, Inc. work to meet the needs of the incarcerated as well as those awaiting release into society. This is done by helping to reduce the barriers that disrupt successful reentry into society. Minister Anthony Parker is mandated by God to intercede on behalf of the incarcerated and their families by guiding them from prison to purpose to destiny. **IT IS A MANDATE!**

18 Years in the federal penitentiary prepared me for ministering to prisoners and their family members by providing services that are needed.

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Children with promise

The MISSION

The H.O.P.E. Institute and Tony Parker Ministry Inc. recognizes that society cannot continue its massive rate of incarceration and then release men and women from prison without the proper tools that are required to succeed.

Therefore it is our mission to reduce recidivism and prevent incarceration through early intervention by gauging political leaders to supply the tools that are required to promote a healthy reentry into society. Further more we offer innovative programs and seminars to the community such as:

- Education
- Anti-Bullying
- Character Education
- Sagging Pants/ Respect
- Drug Education
- Attitude & Altitude
- Choices & Consequences
- Parenting Workshops
- Family
- Anger Management
- Conflict Resolution
- Gang Awareness & Prevention
- Prison Life
- School Fighting
- Testing Techniques
- Safety & Being Drug Free

Tony Parker is **highly** sought after because of his transparency and ability to motivate and challenge youth and parents to change their thinking. He has been sharing his story with troubled youth all across the nation in hopes of preventing the cycle of incarceration that plagues our society.

Minister Tony Parker regularly meets with lawmakers regarding prisoners re-entry and other restorative justice acts.



Senator John Conyers of the House Judiciary Committee

“To succeed in changing the dynamics of the community, it will take a joint effort. This is why I tell my story.”

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Attorney General Bill McCollum of Florida.

RE-ENTRY

Our **Re-entry Services** are offered to newly released inmates as they readjust to society. Many are alarmed at the change in family, finance, and faith once they are released. Our counseling and drug rehab referral services one of the best. We assist former inmates free as long as they are responsible and accountable.

Drop-In Assistance: For newly released inmates with specific questions that can be addressed within several visits with our volunteer advisors and staff. We provide a host of referral resources.

“The incarcerated individuals must prepare for a changed lifestyle beyond the prison, we can’t... Go back the same!”

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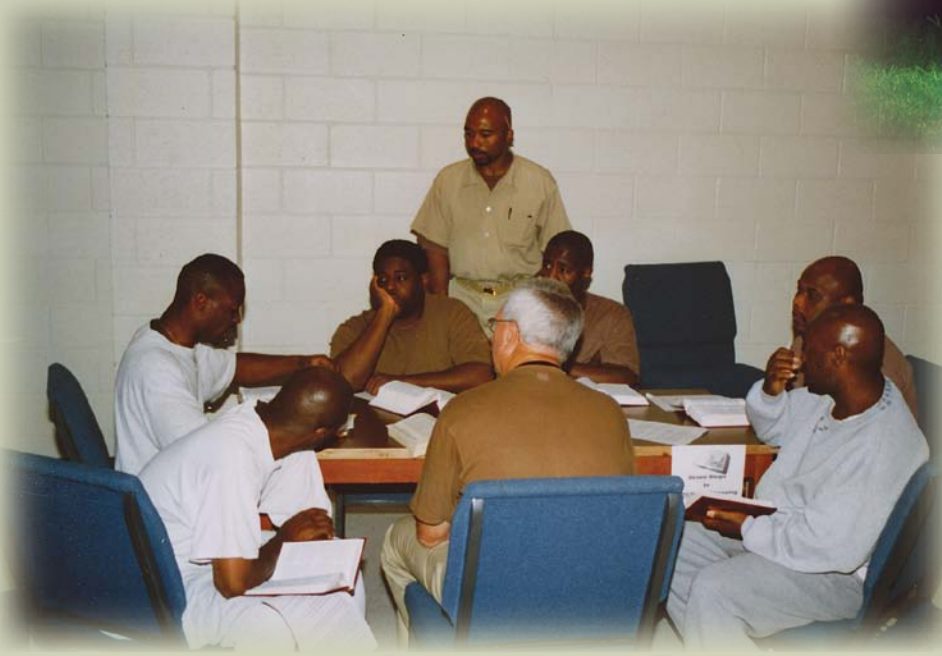


We believe in the power of a vote. Ex-offender Voter Registration Drive.

“We must remind them prison is not their destiny”

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Minister Tony Parker began tackling re-entry inside prisons.



Tony Parker with Susan L. Taylor, Founder, National CARES Mentoring Movement and Editor-in-Chief Emeritus of Essence Magazine.

MENTORING

With more than 2.1 Million parents incarcerated, there are thousands of children who have been left behind and crying out for help. Some cry out by making poor choices often times that result in some form of confinement. Others just need a helping hand in order to help them go further and continue on in their lives. The H.O.P.E. Institute and Tony Parker Ministries, Incorporated (TPM, Inc.) recognizes the fact that mentoring is about caring enough to commit an hour per week to advise and help guide a vulnerable young person to success.

The H.O.P.E. Institute, in partnership with Positive Proof Mentoring Organization, mentors local youth daily and has successfully implemented a 16 week mentoring program for young male middle school students. The program provided structure and additional discipline, coupled with a sense of belonging and recognition to the students and resulted in improved grades and a significant decrease in behavioral problems.

“Mentoring is all about caring for our present and future, by making a commitment to help others.”

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The FAITH COMMUNITY

The Faith Community has a God inspired mandate to reach beyond the four walls of the church building and minister to the whole man. The church is mandated to reach out to mankind with love, forgiveness and acceptance. These three components empower ex-offenders to live again, and continue making a positive change.

We need more congregations of faith to join the prison ministry and help welcome home ex-offenders.



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