

Update from Tennessee Prison Outreach Ministry – VOLUNTEER BANQUET

On April 16, 2013, the Hendersonville Church of Christ hosted the 8th Tennessee Prison Outreach Ministry Volunteer Banquet. It was a wonderful evening to recognize our volunteers that serve in the jails and prisons in the Middle Tennessee area. Kimberly Hatley spoke from an offender's perspective on what it means to have volunteers provide programming in the jails and prison: To be "God's hands and feet."

Sonya Troutt, Administrator at Sumner County Jail, spoke on the importance of volunteers from the perspective of a Jail Administrator. She expressed the importance that volunteers provide in the jail system. Volunteers provide resources and funding for programs that the institutions cannot afford.

Maggie Smith, from Sumner County, received the Volunteer of the Year Award for her service and dedication working with the incarcerated at Sumner County Jail. Congratulations to Maggie.

Ron Goodman presented the Lifetime Achievement Award to Harold and Helen Cox for their 50 years of service volunteering in the jails and prison. Harold and Helen have been instrumental in developing a volunteer program for the incarcerated in the state of Tennessee. Without their determination and tenacity, we would not be able to minister to these marginalized members of society. Thank you, Harold and Helen Cox for your 50 years of service. -Carole McDonald

