

A History of 1990-1999 We Care Program

Rosedale Bible Institute and We Care held a one-time experiment in a cooperative venture for Rosedale's third term, providing a prison ministry practicum through We Care for RBI students. Escambia Correctional Facility inmates who took a Bible class received RBI credit.



Gross sales at the Atmore Economy Shop reached \$100K for the first time. September 29, 1999, was the 10th anniversary of the Atmore Economy Shop with sales averaging \$10K+ per month.



The honor program at Donaldson was so successful that Commissioner Haley ordered "faith-based honors dorms" be set up at all state prisons by Oct. 1, 1999. The honor dorm at Fountain Correctional began with 68 men under the leadership of We Care chaplain Glenn Weber.

1990

February 1990

Arlin Schrock returned to We Care after having previously served as a teacher, editor, and chaplain from 1974-1987. Arlin went on to complete 19 years of service with We Care in 1996.



Aug 14-25 1996

A team from We Care traveled through seven states on the "Grace Tour" to inform and encourage.

1996

Apr 6 1997

We Care chaplains Tim Miller and Cecil Montgomery broke ground for a new chapel at J. O. Davis. Dedication of the completed building was on September 7, 1997.



1998

The We Care newsletter changed its name to We Care Connection with the March issue. In August 2003, the name changed again to The Connection.

January 1990

For the first time, a base was set up in Montgomery to host crusade volunteers in that area. After orientation in Atmore, one hundred volunteers drove to Montgomery for five days of visitation in six Montgomery area prisons. Fifty-four volunteers remained in the Atmore area.

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1992

An aftercare facility, Hope Haven, was opened in Mobile, AL. Homer and Sharon Wengerd served as directors. Hope Haven was later closed to men, due to lack of staff, and reopened to women in June 1995 under the leadership of Steve and Ruth Ann Hays. The home was closed in 2002.

Martin Weber stepped down as Vice President of We Care after a 20-year involvement with the organization.



Feb 26 1998

We Care purchased a building in Monroeville, AL, for an additional Economy Shop. Grand opening was held on March 14, 1998.

January 1999

Two hundred sixty volunteers entered 16 prisons in the Atmore, Montgomery, Troy, and Birmingham areas for the 21st annual We Care Crusade.

July 1999

David Landis joined the We Care staff as assistant chaplain at J. O. Davis.



Dennis Nolt spanned the 1990s as chaplain at Red Eagle Work Release. Beginning in 1989, Dennis went on to serve until 2001, the longest consecutive term completed by a We Care chaplain at one facility.

