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## "HOPE AND PRAYER"

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TO ALL OF MY FRIENDS AND FAMILY IM MAILING IN A REAL POSITIVE POST THIS WEEK. THIS MORNING I READ SOME LEGAL MATERIAL THAT GAVE ME SOME LIGHT AT THE END OF MY PRISON TUNNEL. HERE IS THE JUST ON WHAT I READ. THE GOVERNOR OF CA, JERRY BROWN SAID THAT IN 2013 HE WANTS TO SHUT DOWN 10 STATE PRISONS. HE WANTS TO ALLOW ALL INMATES WITH LIFE SENTENCES HALF TIME. SO IF YOU WORK YOU CAN GET HALF OF YOUR SENTENCE KNOCKED OFF. IT WILL SAVE MILLIONS OF DOLLARS. EVERYONE WHO KNOWS ME KNOWS THAT IM A REALIST SO IF THIS HALF TIME THING HAPPENS THEN ILL BE SO VERY VERY PLEASED BUT I WILL NOT SET MYSELF UP FOR FAILURE. NEVER COUNT YOUR CHICKENS BEFORE THEY HATCH. WHAT THIS WOULD MEAN FOR ME IS I WILL ACTUALLY GET OUT OF PRISON. FOR NOW THOUGH I HAVE 68 YEARS TO LIFE TO DO IM ON MY 19<sup>TH</sup> YR. PLEASE PRAY FOR THE GOV TO GIVE ALL OF US LIFERS HALF TIME. LORD KNOWS IVE LEARNED MY LESSON. IS THIS HOPE FOR ME I GUESS SO BUT WHAT I REALLY NEED IS FOR A GOOD ATTORNEY TO COME VISIT ME AND TELL ME THAT HE WILL REPRESENT ME IN A COURT OF LAW. THE HALF TIME THING WOULD BE A REAL MIRACLE. I NEVER HAVE ANY GOOD LUCK SO IF I DO GET A PAROLE DATE AND GET OUT IT WILL BE BY THE GRACE OF GOD. I TRULY BELIEVE THAT I WILL GET OUT SOMEDAY WHEN ONLY GOD KNOWS.

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HERE IS ONE OF THE THINGS ABOUT BEING A LIFER YOU SIT BEHIND THESE WALLS YEARS AFTER YEARS AND YOU HAVE NO HOPE OF PAROLE. SINCE I HAVE GOT TO CMC I HAVE WATCHED SEVERAL LIFERS PAROLE. SO NOW IM STARTING TO SEE LIGHT AT THE END OF THE TUNNEL. HOPE IS ALIVE AND PRAYER HAS ALWAYS BEEN THERE. THESE LIFERS IVE WATCHED GET OUT HAVE ALL HAD 25 TO 30 YRS IN. IM ON YR 19. IN THIS 19<sup>TH</sup> YR IVE GAINED HOPE. THIS GOVERNOR JERRY BROWN IS ACTUALLY A GOOD GOVERNOR. HE'S THE ONLY GOV OF CA, THAT I HAVE EVER SEEN ALLOW LIFERS TO GO HOME. I STILL DONT WANT TO GET MY HOPES UP JUST TO GET THE BIG LET DOWN SO I WONT DISCUSS THIS ANYLONGER. ILL KEEP EVERYONE POSTED ON MY CHANCES AT A PAROLE DATE. I COULD USE EVERYONES PRAYERS. I HAVE A FEW THINGS I NEED TO DO TODAY ILL WRITE MORE LATER

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IM ENCLOSING A NAME/ADDRESS OF SOMEONE WHO WILL KNOW U SURE IF LIFERS ARE GOING TO GET HALF TIME IN 2013 OR IS IT JUST ANOTHER RUMOR THAT CITIZENS MAKE UP ON THE INTERNET TYPE IT AND SEND IT TO PRISONERS TO DRIVE US CRAZY. SOUNDS LIKE A MOVE A GUARD WOULD POLL JUST TO GET KICKS OUT OF IT.

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