

"The more I try to please God, the more he tries
me ... - Lucrezia Borgia, 1507

Dear Readers,

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Hi again. I hope everyone is well & happy.

I believe I left off with coming to Petersburg. So far I'm doing well here. Better so far than anywhere else.

The compound here is pretty stark, unfortunately. It's layout is the same as Butner 2: similar to a letter "D" with the units on the curve of the "D" & we can't walk straight across the straight line of the "D" to get from one side to the other, we have to walk the whole curve.

It seems like every compound has a token animal, & here it's pigeons. They're everywhere. I generally love birds, but these pigeons & their crap everywhere are not so great.

This compound is generally laid-back & there are gays everywhere. Being one myself, I feel right at home. Especially after the hell I went through at El Reno.

In just a short time, I greeted, and was greeted by, lots of people while walking the sidewalk. It was really nice. This is also a sex offender yard, so there's no gangs to speak of & violence is rare. It's very relaxed here.

One cool thing they do here is to present plays! I've never been to a prison that does plays. Last Christmas

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I was in a production of "A Christmas Carol." I hadn't been in a play for YEARS. I'll admit, it wasn't exactly professional, "A Christmas Carol" isn't supposed to be a comedy, but it was fun. Right now I'm in rehearsals for another play which is Star Wars done in Shakespearean language. So telling how that'll come out.

I was able to buy some yarn to crochet, but I'm almost out of yarn & definitely out of money. My "best friend" Pam has been holding the crocheted items & jewelry I've sent her for years now & done nothing with it.

I am really in a bind financially & may lose my life insurance policies that I took loans out on because I can't pay those loans now. She won't write me, she won't email me, & I've been calling all week & she won't answer. This is my "best friend."

It is nearly impossible to survive with no outside help while in prison. It is definitely a huge struggle. And I have ZERO help. It's insane.

Until next time, I wish you...

Love & Blessings,