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Antoine Murphy: Black and Smart

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Antione seeing Daughter for first time

RE: SUMMARY OF PERSONAL CASE

Name & Number: Antoine J. Murphy #363399

Age: 36

Prison & Address: Redgranite Corr. Inst

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Redgranite, WI 54970-0925

Age when crime committed: 18yrs & 60 days

Convicted of: Attempted Homicide; party to armed robbery; possession of THC w/intent; & use of a dangerous weapon

Length of sentence: 75yrs

Years in prison to date: 17yrs & 9 months

How many Parole hearings/reasons for denial: N/A

Programs, Courses taken, & other evidence of rehabilitation:

Anger Management; Tutor Training ; Grief Support; Financial Literacy; Project Citizen ; Restorative Justice

Vocational Printing ; Communications

Baptized; Attended 2 prison fellowship seminars; Emmaus Correspondence School; Source of Light Schools; Little

Lambs Graduate; Heart Cry Basic Bible Study Course; Men of the Bible Study; Truth Project Study; Not a Fan Study

Christian Basics Study; Anger Control Study; member of "set up" crew for Church; currently enrolled in Shalom

Seminary roughly **50 credits away from obtaining a Bachelor's Degree in Ministry.**

I have been published in THE UPPER ROOM & a poetry anthology entitled WARRIOR POETS.. And just last month

I sent my very first book to a publisher: E-Couragement from a Prisoners Pen.

Paragraph regarding self:

For the most part my coming of age in prison has led to my actually **LIKING** who I AM! See my crime stemmed from my not being ok with my natural identity (NERD). Yeah that's me! So as a NERD 4 Jesus I'm ok with being picked on & ostracized. Now I can keep going in the face of my peers taunts of "stop acting white..." Yes, it's ok to be Black & smart. Praise God. So, all these many years later here I AM embodying the Judges advice to "use your God-given intelligence to go far in life."

Even so, being who I AM, I came to realize that my own rehabilitation isn't about obtaining the most accolades. I graduated high school & was an Honor Roll student before I came to prison, even skipped half a grade & have well over a hundred "awards & certificates" from school. That was then...