

after a debacle am I able to return to you  
Barbridge Georgia, State of Georgia and America

My name is Jennifer Johnson. I have been a inmate for 25 years. Georgia does not have a party to a crime. Everyone is charged with the same criminal charges. Regardless, because they feel you was their so you know what happened. You can read my case it's public knowledge if you have a question feel free to contact me at [www.jprjy.com](http://www.jprjy.com). I came up for parole 2011. I was set off because I hadn't done enough time surrounding my circumstances of the case. I was set off until 2017. Was set off once again until 2021 August 01, the last time I got set off it was the same thing not enough time done. Continue to rehabilitate for my future entering society as a inmate I had to ~~re-jigger~~ re-jigger myself and thought because I didn't under the decision. I am not a contumacious inmate. Don't get Dr's, quiet and a hard worker. But here is the situation. I was in the lifer group. We had a parole ~~board~~ board member to come visit us. One of the things was told to us if you don't at least one Dr during your incarceration. The parole board feels ~~you~~ you are trying to manipulate the system. Then on the other hand they tell you to keep your slate clean. That Dr's will play a major factor in you returning to society. It's like a double standard for us inmates. For myself I was quiet on the street never been in trouble with the situation. I am not trying to manipulate the system, this is who I am. In the system we have grievance system and SOP. But when you try to follow your procedure or report something. you are look upon as a trouble maker by the official or liar on the other hand. When I say this I am not talking about the prison snitch who is breaking the rules but telling everything the next inmate doing. I am talking about rapes that are not reported etc. a lot of things like that go on as well bullying from inmates or a cell mates. Some inmates are afraid to report it because they don't want to be label as a trouble maker or a liar. a lot of inmates go through things in secret. afraid to say anything. Because who is their to help you? That some of the staff, they can care less about certain inmates. Here is the meat of the writing I am up for parole August 04, 2021. I had to answer a few questions concerning Parole. I need your feed back on my answer to my parole questions.

1.) Describe the "you" of 1998 versus the you of 2001:

The me in 1998 came in broken, depressed and sad. Cried myself to sleep many of nights. Almost died stayed in ICU for 10 days in 1999. After a period of convalescence. Because of a severe medical issue. I made it through the help of many people praying for me. Going through Kames walks help me alot. It encouraged me. I hadn't seen my other children in two years. 2001 Finally got to see my babies. ~~for the first time~~ I get a positive transfer closer to home. which is a 1hr 1/2 half from the prison. My children was very young when I started my sentence, 3 years old, 2 and 9 days old. I entered the system young 22 turned 23 December 20, 1998 in Diagnostic. I was broken hearted Cried all the time. Not only I lost my child Joshua to death by the hands of some one in that apartment. Then I lost my other children to foster care. My mother in law got custody of them. I lost my husband and brother to the prison system. So I was broken, I always vowed to protect my children from harms way. I myself was abused. Suffered molestation from the age of 9 to 13 years old. I stay in foster care 90 days. Then placed back into the abuser house until my biological dad got custody of me.

For me finding my baby in the crib, not breathing was a traumatic experience. ~~finding my baby in the crib~~ Many years I would dream of traumatic experience finding my baby in the crib. It's a ~~traumatic~~ hurt and devastation I will never forget. When I found my baby not breathing immediately. I yell some one please call 911. My brother Michael ran to call 911. While my husband console me. Three days later getting question for the death of my son Joshua dying of blunt force injury took a toll on me. Because I took good care of my children and was a loving mother. But something happened I missed it. I was devastated and heart broken about the whole situation because who would hurt a innocent child who couldn't defend for himself. Every night I would dream of finding my baby not breathing in his crib. Then I would dream of my baby laughing and smiling. He had the prettiest dimples. My son was a little handsome little fellow. His favorite food was mash potatoes and banana pudding. My other two oldest children was very intelligent, fun and eager to learn. I was teaching them how to read, pronounce words and count etc. We all use to have

fun, movie nights and popcorn as family. When everything was suddenly snatched away. Family, ~~and~~ my baby, who I would never see again. All I can describe myself as broken, hurt and traumatized. A couple of times I had to consult a mental health counselor because I was very depressed especially on holidays and Birthdays. Especially my deceased son Joshua's Birthday and our last holiday spent together was Christmas. I would lay all day in my prison bed all day on the weekend depressed. Just crying. I have even suffered anxiety attacks. I had evaluation after evaluation. It was ruled that I was just stressed out. But the last time they gave me a mental health counselor who lost her child to death. She counseled me for a short period but it was effective. No more depression or anxiety attacks. So I would describe the me of 1998 versus year of 2021. I have overcome a lot dealing with my mental stability, ~~and~~ inner self struggles and self esteem. The me of 2021 is healed ~~on~~ on the inside, mentally and very stable.

2.) What have you gained most from being incarcerated? That I can grow, learn and always strive to be a better person each day. Even though I am in prison. I don't have to be in the bad girl club to fit in this society called Prison. I learn that there are people who come to the prison so they can help us get to where we need to be spiritually, mentally and emotionally. Some are our counselors, chaplains, chaplain volunteers, group facilitators, or even other fellow inmates. I came in at the age of 22 immediately the chaplain put me in her youth group. Many people participated in my growth. My mindset was that I had to be isolated from everyone, trust no one because all they was going to do is hurt me or trap me and nobody understood me. Once I matured and grew up I learn that it was false. I got to place where I started to grow and mature into where I needed to be. Things begin to blossom and transform in my life because I had to transform into a new way of thinking. That there are people who care about my well being and growth.

3. What have you lost most from being incarcerated?

Raising my own children, my son Joshua that I can never get back, my marriage and being with family. Spending time, birthdays and special holidays. Beside that I lost my grandmas, granddad, uncles, aunts and brother. A lot of family members to death. Jobs, finances, everything it take to live in the world. I lost it being incarcerated.

4. What are your plans for release?

My passion is to help other parents or a parent who lost a child to any type of death. I desire to open a trauma center. I will be having my own podcast. opening some business. Doing some work in the music world. I am sound technician. But upon my release I am willing to take whatever job available. If that means going to the halfway house I will go. I must get me a place to stay and transportation.

5. What have you accomplished during your incarceration and what have you given back to the offender population while you have been here?

Accomplished: God, family violence, female perpetrator, substance abuse, Confronting Self, MFT, ~~and family stuff~~, transformation, faith and character program, Hospitality Customer Service Specialists, RE-Entry skills, Building, Thinking for change, MTC, Computer Technology: customer services, DJT Food Services Residential and commercial Plumbing Technician, DJT Sewing Machine operator Custodial maintenance, currently in Ashland University  
These are all the groups and certification I have earned in prison

Given back:

has been a drum representative 4 times, Praise and worship leader for 10 years, sound ~~technician~~ technician for church service, graduations, recreation activities like plays, Karaoke, bands, solo artists, ~~choirs~~ choirs, movie day. was on Bright star choir as soprano for 11 years and has the position of secretary, Community Service for MRT (Karnas served as table angel, a paper room, ~~and~~ kitchen) and sound technician

has been a lead Usher and co-leader Usher, recreation and sports activities, lead prayer/share groups for Karnas, active in Bible study and church community. Always trying to help others in some way. If it's nothing but a listen ear.

6. If you had the opportunity to sit down with the victim or their family, what would you say to them?  
If I had a chance to set down with my deceased son Joshua. That mommie is so sorry that she didn't protect him enough and that mommie missed it somewhere that she would do anything to bring him back. I miss him a lot.

7. What, if anything, would you like to tell the Parole Board, Bainbridge Community, State of Georgia and America? I want to say I failed my child. I should have been more observant and more aware of who I had around him. I feel like even though I was a good mother and very nurturing, a failure as a mother. Because I failed my children expectation because my other children end up being raised by someone else and they lost their brother including both parents to incarceration. That was not fair to them at all. I am very remorseful for my neglect as a parent. Cause my observant level should have been higher than what it was. Not only did I fail my other children, family, but I failed my community, friends and church family who looked up to me. Once again I am very remorseful for my neglect and wrongful action with a crime I have to learn from my mistakes. Please have mercy upon me. Please give me a second chance in society.

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