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LIVING STONES INTERNATIONAL'S BONDING VISIT

Hi Josephine,

Wow, the end of the first quarter is here. Living Stones is signing up families to bring children once again into Wakulla Correctional Institution (CI) to visit their fathers on Tuesday, March 19, 2013 in the Annex and Friday, March 22, 2013 in the Main Unit. As you may be aware, this is our third visit to the Annex and our first to the Main Unit / Work Camp. We are now working with a total of forty children and with these two visits that number will go higher.



Costs per visit are \$3,000.00. Living Stones needs help generating \$6,000.00 for transportation, food, toys and games, a post visit event, and case managers. Will you donate? For such an awesome program, let your fingers do the walking. Click on the donate button which takes you to our secured online donation through Intuit Payment Network. If not you may mail us a check to: Living Stones, PO Box 6747, Tallahassee, FL 32314. Stop by our office to pay through Living Stones' smart phone. Call us, (850) 765-0320, if you have another way to provide us with your gift today.



As a member of the Service Network: Children of Inmates' program, 2,000 children have been served. Living Stones is adding to that number with the visits here in Region I. Visit the [website](#) to learn more about our partners and program.



Great things are happening with Living Stones' program:

- Tutoring is offered to our Children of Inmates on Wednesday and Thursday. Volunteers welcomed. These children also need mentors.
- Food is offered to our families through Farm Share, a network of fresh produce right from the farms.
- One of our children is now attending Lively Technical School studying to be an electrician.
- Parenting classes are provided six to eight weeks prior to the visit to participating dads.
- Some of our families are actively volunteering providing snack items for the visit and helping with paperwork.

With 55% inmates not receiving visits by their families, these bonding visits are becoming popular. It allows the father to actively engage his child, encourages the child to stay in school, and provides the mother/caregiver with some relief in parental guidance and discipline.

Testimony: *One son was questioning whether he wanted to attend college and after his visit with his dad, he stated, "after seeing his father in this place, he was college bound." We are happy to say he has been accepted to college on a football scholarship.*



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Another way you may assist us is by collecting yellow caps from Pepsi products. For each cap, Pepsi will donate 5 cents to Living Stones. This is a refreshing way for Pepsi to support our programs and services.



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