

## **Disciples 4 Christ**

### **Inside Services Rules and Regulations**

#### **Do's**

*We try to be flexible in requirements we have during services so that God's Holy Spirit can use you to the greatest possible extent. At the same time there are rules which **must** be observed as well as rules which we have determined will help you become more effective. Below is a list of **Do's and Don'ts**. Which are rules and regulations that must be adhered to:*

1. **Do** be yourself.
2. **Do** forget about home.
3. **Do** bring your bible and other teaching materials for the service.
4. **Do** bring driver's license or picture ID.
5. **Do** talk softly while waiting for the Chaplain or officer to escort us to the service area.
6. **Do** wear casual clothes.
7. **Do** wear jewelry (wedding ring, necklace, earrings and bracelets).
8. **Do** mingle with the inmates and share with officers and officials.
9. **Do** be especially careful not to downgrade or criticize any "religion".
10. **Do** pray with inmates (*if an offender wants the prayer of salvation or rededicate their lives let them know about the "Purple Book" and tell them they can get our D4C P. O. Box by dropping an I-60 to the Chaplain*).
11. **Do** let us know, immediately, if you have a family member or relative in the prison's we visit. By state law you can not volunteer on a unit where you have a relative or happen to be on an offender's visitation list.
12. **Do** know the officers are there to help you, if in doubt about something ask "what is the proper thing to do". Be humble in your asking!
13. **Do** offer offender's encouragement and spiritual uplifting through letters (*You must read and sign off on the D4C Pen Pal rules and regulations before writing.*)
14. **Do** be at the door to welcome offenders to the service and when they are returning to their housing areas.
15. **Do** give them the name of our Ministry **"Disciples 4 Christ"**

## DO NOT's

1. **Do not** take anything into the prison with you:

No billfolds/purses	No gum or mints
No money	No cameras, tape recorders, cell phones or pagers
No lipstick/chapstick	No Kleenex
No knives	No fingernail files
No Bible Covers	No tobacco products

### **Empty Your Pockets!**

2. **Do not** “take anything” from an inmate or give anything to an inmate, even a small as a piece of paper.  
  
*This is a STATE LAW! You can tell them to drop an I-60 to the Chaplain for our address.*
3. **Do not** wear gaudy jewelry or hoop earrings.
4. **Do not** wear open toe shoes or sandals, shorts, tank tops; wind/jogging suits or T-shirts. Men must wear collared (polo type shirts). **NO SOLID WHITIE CLOTHING.**
5. **Do not** get the way of any prison official assisting inmates.
6. **Do not** have firearms or hunting knives in your vehicle.
7. **Do not** borrow offender clothing.
8. **Do not** run on prison grounds.
9. **Do not** leave jacket, bible or any personal belongings lying around unattended.
10. **Do not** ask about their crime and **DO NOT** discuss the death penalty.
11. **Do not** go into restricted areas without permission.
12. **Do not** enter their cell or sleeping area.
13. **Do not** be concerned about the number of commitments.
14. **Do not** argue with an offender or official.
15. **Do not** go off on your own (stay in 2's or with the Chaplain, an officer or state official).
16. **Do not** tell an offender you can help them with any personal issue. Offenders are allowed to write the Ministry Administration staff for assistance with aftercare, etc.

**Things to remember—**

- Don't discuss an offender's criminal case unless she brings it up.
- Even then don't discuss it during services unless the offender is asking for prayer. Then be brief our Father knows what the issue is and we don't have to publicize it.
- Don't look up an offender's criminal history unless you know for sure you won't hold it against them. You wouldn't won't your sins held against you!
- **Never** gather around a table with a bunch of your teammates or sister's in Christ to view what the internet has to offer on an offender.