

And they came, bringing to Him a paralytic, carried by four friends ...
And when Jesus saw their faith, He said to the paralytic, "My son, your sins are forgiven."

~~~Mark 2

## Four Friends Speakers Bureau

"We, everyone, cannot grow spiritually, emotionally, and mentally alone. Everyone needs someone to walk with them. All of us have a need to belong. We [returning citizens] come to tell our story: what it is like to walk out of prison and have friends like those who carried the paralytic to Jesus."

~~~James Clay, Restored Citizen

Inspiration behind Four Friends Speakers Bureau



Ways to Restore Hope and Welcome Returning Neighbors:

Open Your Heart – Pray for your returning neighbors and members and their families

Open Your Mind — Learn more through All In Community equipping events to increase your awareness and understanding

Open Your Door—Invite a Four Friends speaker to tell his/her story at your church

The Four Friends Speakers Bureau is an outreach ministry of All In Community that supports formerly incarcerated individuals (also known as returning neighbors) to bring their stories of faith and transformation to others.

All In Community is a ministry through the United Methodist Church in Ohio that restores hope and supports healing in lives impacted by the criminal justice system.

To learn more about All In Community, go to: www.westohioumc.org/all-community

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