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# UPDATE ON WELS SPECIAL MINISTRIES

District Coordinator



# Special Ministries

*Helping People with Special Needs*



CHRISTIAN  
CARING

PRISON  
MINISTRY



CARE FOR  
CALLED  
WORKERS



MILITARY  
SERVICES



MENTAL  
HEALTH

DEAF &  
HARD OF  
HEARING



VISUALLY  
IMPAIRED



INTELLECTUAL &  
DEVELOPMENTAL  
DISABILITIES



[www.wels.net/special-ministries](http://www.wels.net/special-ministries)





**MINISTRY TO THE MILITARY**

# Ministering to our WELS military members

European Chaplain Rob Weiss  
and his wife, Rachel



National Chaplain Paul Horn  
and his wife, Becky

[wels.net/military](http://wels.net/military)

Spiritual Deployment kits

120+ Military Contact pastors

Weekly military devotions & others

Partnership with LMSG





**PRISON MINISTRY**

Has been printed Bible study books

Transitioning to tablets in many institutions

Need for test correctors – [prisonministry@wels.net](mailto:prisonministry@wels.net)

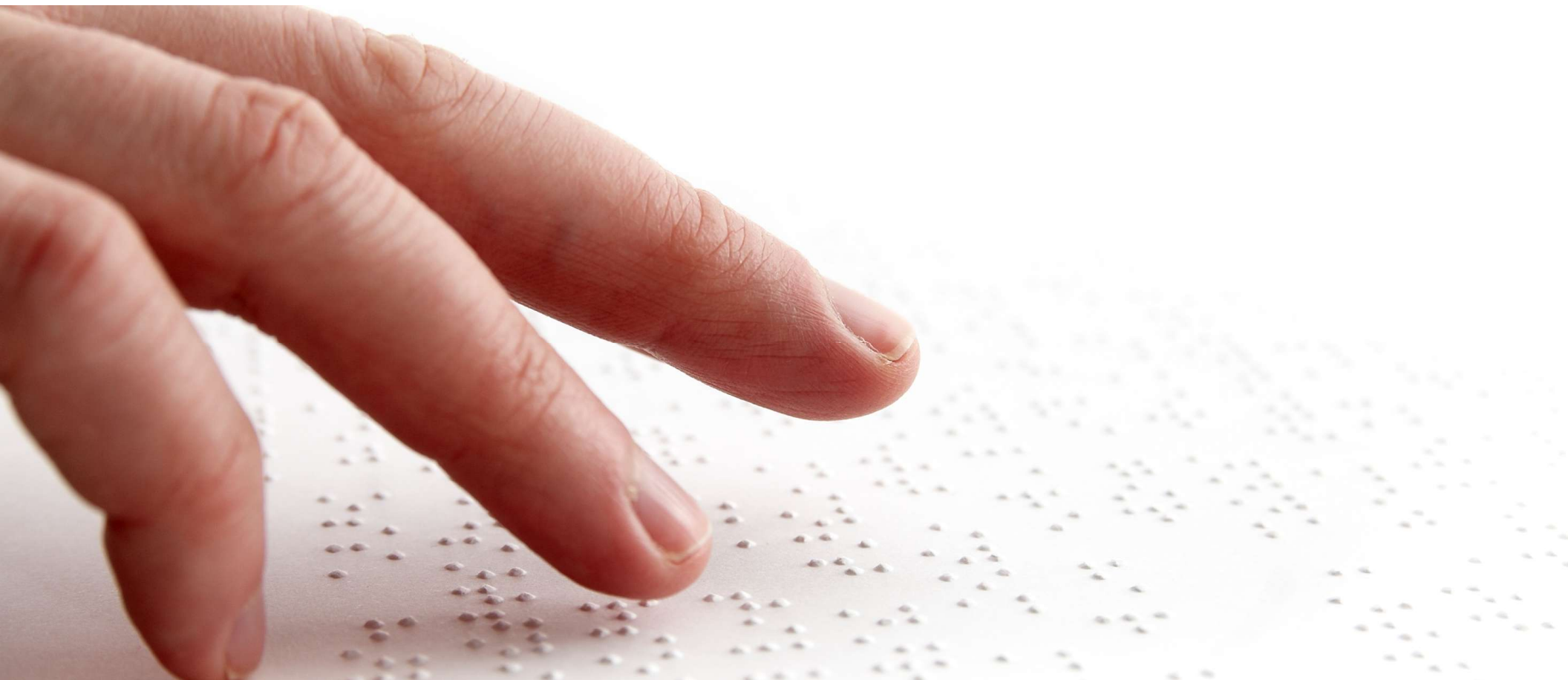


**MISSION FOR  
THE DEAF  
AND HARD  
OF HEARING**



**NEW!!** *Gospelhands.net* – online dictionary

Weekly streamed signed services



**MINISTRY TO THE VISUALLY IMPAIRED**



Limited Braille resources  
Large print *Forward in Christ*  
[Listen.WELS.net](http://Listen.WELS.net)



**INTELLECTUAL  
AND  
DEVELOPMENTAL  
DISABILITY  
MINISTRY**



Coming soon - S.M.I.L.E.S

Resources for confirmation of individuals with special needs



# MENTAL HEALTH NEEDS COMMITTEE

[Christiantherapistnetwork.com](http://Christiantherapistnetwork.com)

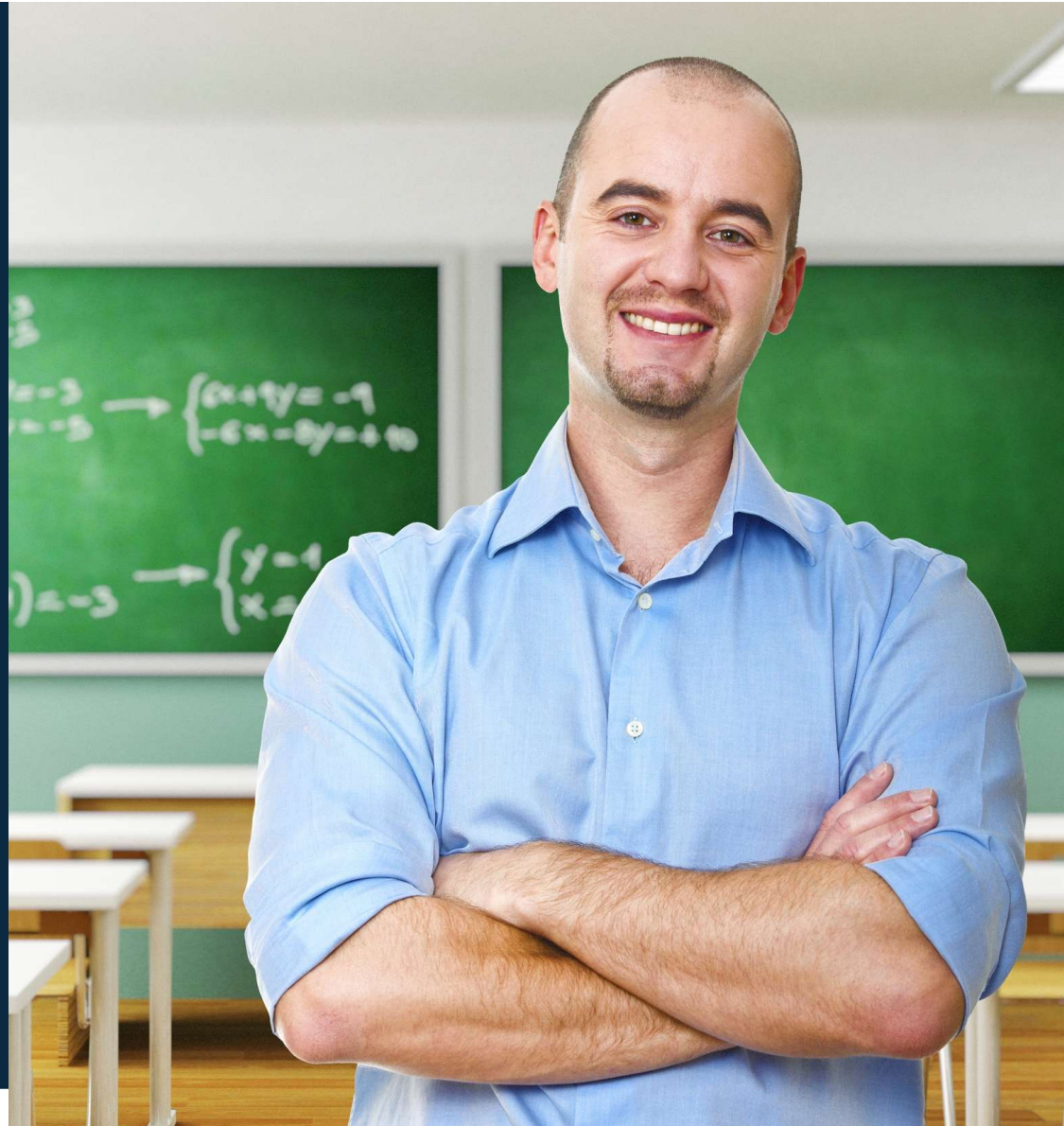
Conquerors through Christ

Freedom for the Captives

Resilient Recovery



**CARE  
COMMITTEE  
FOR  
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Every congregation is encouraged to have one  
**Recently updated** CCCW manual for congregations

download at:

[https://wels.net/serving-you/christian-life/special-  
ministries/care-for-called-workers/](https://wels.net/serving-you/christian-life/special-ministries/care-for-called-workers/)

**CHRISTIAN  
CARE  
COMMITTEE**



# Chaplain Certification





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