CARING FOR EX-OFFENDERS
Reintegrating individuals into the community
SCOTLAND
Scotland’s Prisons

8109 people in SPS care  24 Sept 2014

500 ‘young offenders’
400 females
1000 on remand
6000 serving sentences
Offending Factors

- 50% ‘in care’ as a child
- 25% communication impairment
- 80% writing ability of 11 year old
- 80% females disclosed sexual abuse
- 97% of prisoners ‘want to change’
Why Church?

• Forgiveness
• Hope
• Transformation
• Community
‘Partnership working needs to extend beyond criminal justice partners and needs to link people into the assets and services that are found within communities’

SPS ‘Unlocking potential’
Why Church?

‘Community reintegration planning must focus on strengths as well as needs, and on the development of positive networks in the community’

SPS ‘Unlocking potential’
Desistance

Changing behaviour

Changing Identity
Desistance

‘Pro-social Networks’
Desistance

Re-Biography
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