artist Statement: 27th Annual Exhibition of Artists in Michigan Prisons Artist Name: JFRA I have chosen to submit two pieces of art for my first year of participation. Both pieces are based upon the lack of us as humans to connect with God on a continual basis. The first piece titled "Check Yourself" is something that is a quick visual reminder when we see it to stop and take an assessment of where your priorities are at that very moment. There's alwoys time for prayer. The second piece titled "Christmes Countdown" not only is a fun thing to work through every December in anticipation _ of Christmas but is very spiritually uplifting. I included in each day a phrase that entices the reader to also follow up with the related scripture. It's cool and educational while <u>Coming up on Christmas but more importantly the underlying</u> <u>Amen and</u> <u>more important relevance to Christmas the birth of Jesus Christ, God Blass</u> <u>Please edit your Artist Statement to fit therspace provided.</u> Joe