



# WRITE-WAY Prison Ministries, Inc.

## NEWSLETTER

Dear Friends,

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### FROM THE DIRECTOR

Graduation - does that bring back memories? Remember the music, the family members present, and the sense that the world was yours to conquer?

In this issue we present our WPM Graduates. There is no music fanfare, no family or friends present, and the world, the flesh, and Satan have flung them to the ditch.

But the Word of God is powerful, lifting one out of despair, washing the stains of sin away, displaying the glories of the Lamb Who gave Himself for us, and presenting a lively Hope here and into Eternity.

We commend them to their Savior, with prayers for their spiritual strength and enlightenment. May they endure their present circumstances with quiet joy and soon join us on this side of the wall to work out their salvation on our pilgrimage toward the Marriage Supper of the Lamb.

### MEMORIAL GIFTS

Below we list and gratefully thank those who have sent memorial gifts as of October 25.

**For Ralph M. Nichols:**

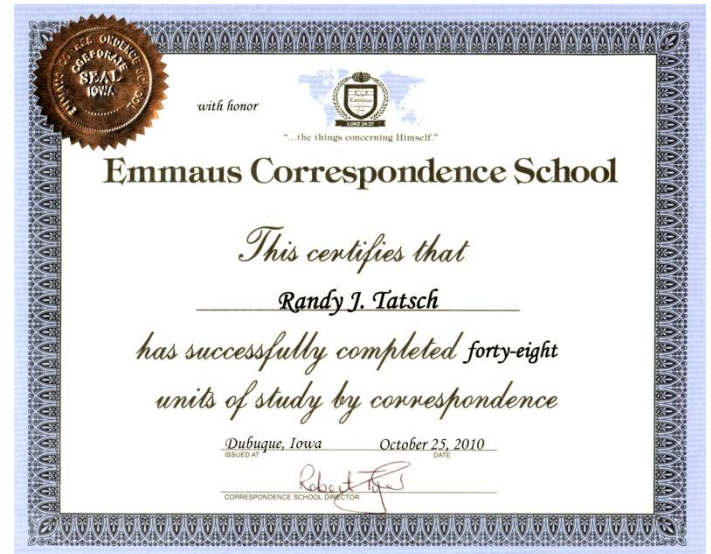
J. Michael Amis

**For Viola Lemaster:**

(Mother of Bonnie Cathey, Manager, Branch 045)  
Sandra S. Moore

### VOICES OF PRAISE

"I write this short letter to let you all know that my case has been dismissed and I will be going home in the next couple of days. I thank you all very much from the bottom of my heart for the work that you do for the Lord in helping those behind closed doors. You are a blessing to us all. I would like to continue my studies at home. I am ready and excited to serve the Lord in any way He sees fit for me." **Jose**



"God has been so wonderful to me. Let me explain. I was laying on my bunk kind of feeling sorry for myself about being in prison. That's when it happened. I jumped up and said out loud, 'Hey, why am I here, silly old man!!' I started just talking to Jesus as if he were having coffee with me. Again it hit me: 'I am silly.' Anyway, I told God I was sorry for offending Him. I was the one who betrayed Him and broke one of the commandments. I don't even deserve to be taking your words to others; that would make me a false witness.

"Then it hit me again, 'Hey, silly, ask and you will be given, seek and you should find, knock and it shall be opened to you.' So I did just that. I asked God, Who is my everything, to forgive me and let me share all I know and am still learning about you, my Great God. Thank you and your staff. God Bless." **Keith**

"Thank you for allowing me the privilege and honor to study and learn through your ministry. I am so grateful that God brought you into my life. I am ready and equipped to serve as a lay minister wherever the Lord directs me to go. The Lord has shown me that this is my "seminary" and all that He has enabled me to learn, I am to use in His service upon my release. I look forward to possibly meeting you all in person to say thank you. May the grace and peace of God rest upon you all."

**Emmanuel**

"I wanted to take a moment to tell you how deeply I appreciate your ministry work on my behalf and that of our Lord Jesus Christ. I have never been in prison before, and at times it is a very dark, evil, and surreal place. Your Bible studies have given me a "grounding force" to hold on to. In here you don't know who is real and who is not. I have seen people come in, find Jesus Christ, and get out, leaving Him in here! They always come back to get Him again.

"It is my faith that sustains me, my hope in Christ Jesus. And your ministry has given it much needed watering and planting. The studies are smart and centered in the Word of God. They are uplifting and true to the Gospel of Jesus Christ. But there is something more.

"Every time I receive a new certificate, it comes with a returned answer sheet. In these answer sheets the grading instructor makes a comment or two concerning my answers. These comments are always encouraging words to keep abiding in the study of the Word of God. It is a small personal touch of Christian love and caring that means so much in an existence devoid of such a thing. Your kind encouraging faith-filled words give healing and love to my heart." **Martin** (see his poem below)

### THE BIBLE

The Bible is the softest pillow  
On which I have ever laid my weary mind to rest.  
A towering oak, whose strong branches  
Do shelter me from the storm and test.

The Bible is a pathway to great heights not known.  
By it we soar with angels, even God above.  
In it we find our lives defined,  
Through Christ Jesus, God's perfect Love.

The Bible is a well dug deep and true  
From which comes refreshing life-giving drink,  
Quenching our thirst for something more,  
For it is what God does think.

The Bible is a book with many words and true.  
But no other book contains the perfect  
Mind and will of God on each page –  
His feelings, thoughts, His deepest Desire  
For me and you.

"Someone gave me the guide, MEN WHO MET THE MASTER (1991 Edition). So I decided to send these test papers to you. I was incarcerated about thirty years ago. I love reading and studying the Word of God. I would like for you to send several courses I can distribute to prisoners." **Louis**

## REPORT FOR SEPTEMBER

Institutions Served	356
Enrolled Students	8,008
New Enrollees	772
<b>Professions of Faith</b>	<b>38</b>
Course Booklets Mailed	7,736
Course Exams Completed	5,278

### Student Achievements Reached This Month:

<b>36 Course Units Completed:</b>	<b>41 Students</b>
<b>48 Course Units Completed:</b>	<b>37 Students</b>

### Operational Finances Summary:

September Donations:	\$ 21,734.90
September Expenses:	22,307.71
Postage:	\$ 9,627.79
Courses:	7,180.33
Admin/Misc	3,514.51
Deficit:	\$ -572.81

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**Our annual certified CPA audit is available upon request.  
WPM Statement of Faith is available upon request.**

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