

WRITE-WAY Prison Ministries, Inc.

<u>N E W S L E T T E R</u>

Dear Friends,

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FROM THE DIRECTOR

"Christ in you, the hope of glory." Colossians 1:27

I just spent four days in Hutchins State Jail participating in a KAIROS #11 weekend. The many hours of preparation and prayer culminated in a celebratory atmosphere of devotion and hope. The prison environment so easily extinguishes hope, even for those in Faith pods. But a KAIROS weekend with its impassioned "talks," visual "agape," and homemade meals is invaluable in rekindling devotion to Christ and giving hope to go on.

This weekend labor of many volunteers reminded me of the multitude of ministries directed to the incarcerated. With the possible defunding of Texas prison chaplains, this volunteer effort is crucial. And at the forefront of this spiritual offensive is Write-Way. Our contribution is critical. First of all, it is long term, as long as the student desires. Secondly, our studies link the student to the Bible and establish a spiritual foundation that is basic to building hope. And thirdly, our volunteer counselors offer the personal touch and encouragement that is so badly needed.

Ministry is such a refreshing work. We are strengthening the sons and daughters of the King. We would be pleased for you to join us!

Rodger Turley, Director

PILGRIMS' HOPE

BEARING MUCH FRUIT

"Thank you for sending your newsletter. Wow, that's a lot of inmates studying the Word of God! The impact of this will go well beyond these men to others in the prison and to their families. I am confident God's Word is accomplishing exactly what He is sending it forth to do, and it will come back to Him bearing much fruit. What an exciting honor to be involved in that work! May you and all the volunteers at WPM have a joyous Christmas as we celebrate the Savior who came to destroy the works of the devil and bring us into His Kingdom!" A local jail pastor

"SINCE I'VE TRUSTED CHRIST..."

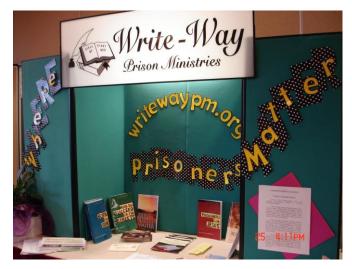
"It's been the best relationship in my life. I can't tell you how great it is to know that I am loved so much that my Father gave His only Son to take the punishment for my sins. I ache to know more about my Lord and Savior. How awesome is it to know that we believers are going to go to Heaven to spend Eternal Life! My outlook has drastically changed. We must strive to help others, to love others, and spread the gospel. Even though I am here in prison, it does not even put a dent in my trust and faith in God. This is nothing to what Christ has in store for me." **David**

GOD HAS PERFECT TIMING

"I just became a Christian on 01/16/11 and this lesson came on 01/18/11. I was a Muslim before then; I came back to the true way. I have accepted Jesus as my personal Lord and Savior." **Albert**

HELP YOU UNDERSTAND THE WORD

"I love the lesson that I've received from WPM. It has helped me a lot to learn and understand the gospel. I have been a born again Christian since I was 15 and now I'm 51. I have been in and out of prison and have never really understood everything. But this lesson has helped a lot. I love the way it breaks everything down and helps me understand the Word. I have a wife at home and would love it if she could get these same lessons. She is a new believer and I think that doing a lesson like this would help her come to know God more." **Jose**



WPM display available for Church mission programs

WPM HAS PROVIDED LIGHT TO MANY

"Praise the Lord! First of all I want to say thank you for the Bible courses. I have been blessed by the courses you offer. While incarcerated I could always depend upon WPM courses to help deepen my relationship with my Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. Through the darkest hours, days, and months of my life, WPM has provided light through Jesus Christ to many.

"Recently I was released from prison and have been in the free world almost three months. I have an honest job and am working towards all the goals that I set while locked up. I would love to continue taking the Bible courses. Thanks for all your encouragement." Charles

MY PLACE IN THE EQUATION

"As with every course I work, I grow closer to God. I always find a new truth or fresh perspective showing the truth clearly. This course and the comments returned by you all have been so greatly appreciated- assistance to a better understanding of God and His Word and my place in the equation. Your kind words of encouragement and direction have been instrumental in this entire wonderful learning experience." Ted

I NOW THIRST FOR THE WORD

"First, let me say thank you for the opportunity to become involved with the correspondence study courses. I cannot begin to explain how much it has helped me become closer to Jesus Christ. My relationship with Christ is now stronger that it has ever been. I now thirst for the Word of God. Remember Luke 15:8-10 ("there is joy in the presence of the angels of God"); that's what I feel like in life right now!" Sean

I HAVE FOUND A FRIEND

"I find myself trying to serve God, but I'm scared of being taken as a joke. Is that normal? Well, I'm glad I have found a friend with you all to assist me. I'm trying to become a pastor and these courses will be essential for me in that. Please send enrollment cards." Eliseo

THIS STRANGE PLACE

"Coming to prison was a very frightening experience in itself. But from day one the Lord was and is my shepherd. He always guides safely in every area I am directed and He protects me from every evil spirited man and woman I come in contact with. He has built a hedge of protection around me while I am in this strange place away from my family who loves me." Everett

"That you may know what is the hope of His calling."
Ephesians 1:18

REPORT FOR JANUARY

Institutions Served	355
Enrolled Students	8,347
New Enrollees	960
Professions of Faith	50
Course Booklets Mailed	8,393
Course Exams Completed	5,156

Student Achievements Reached This Month:

36 Course Units Completed: 23 Students48 Course Units Completed: 15 Students

Operational Finances Summary:

January Donations: \$ 10,260.52 January Expenses: 15,160.71

Postage: \$ 10,427.66* Courses: 70.00** Admin/Misc 4,663.05

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*2011 annual postal fees of \$1,940 included in this number.
**January course invoices of \$8,264.28 paid in February.

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