



# WRITE-WAY Prison Ministries, Inc.

## NEWSLETTER

Dear Friends,

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### VICTIMS

In our ardor to serve the incarcerated, we may forget there are victims behind the scene. They may or may not have had their day in court. They most likely were not compensated. If an inmate feels anguish, anxiety, and hurt as prison time becomes a reality, then you can be sure the victim is equally feeling pain, perhaps more so. Is anyone serving them?

Many parolees pay a monthly fee into a fund for reimbursing victims as the court sees fit. But some losses cannot be compensated. A spouse or parent may be a victim and may lose a home, a job, an automobile. Children of the incarcerated suffer the most. They often do not understand the complexities of the law and punishment. One source says that children of inmates have a 70% chance of ending up in prison. Is anyone serving them?

For more information on victim services go to:

[www.bgcprisonministries.com](http://www.bgcprisonministries.com) (Billy Graham Center: Resources/Victims)

[www.vorp.com](http://www.vorp.com) Victim/Offender Reconciliation Program (face to face meetings)

[www.tdcj.state.tx.us](http://www.tdcj.state.tx.us) go to Organization/Programs/ Victim Services Department (publishes *Victim's Informer*)

The next time you pray for a prisoner, pray also for those affected in the free world. God's Grace reaches both victim and offender.

Rodger Turley, Director

### FROM OUTSIDE THE WALL

**Branch 078 sends this comment** from their student, Kevin, on his study of *Proverbs for Life*: "Now that I know Him, when days are hard and long my faith gets stronger and I am one day closer to Him!! Amen!!"

"We continue to be greatly blessed by the students. What a privilege to have a part in Write-Way's work."

**Curtis and Beverly, Counselors, Branch 078**



*Dr. Gordon Robinson, retired pediatrician, Manager of Branch 054, assembling new course packet for mailing*

**A note from Keren whose ministry holds Communion services** at Sterrett (Dallas County Jail): "One of the ladies attending our service recently told me about your wonderful ministry and how much it has helped her, not only grow in faith, but also in her understanding of the Word. She enjoys receiving the materials, completing the tests, and then receiving her marks with encouragement from you. She is sharing her faith with the ladies she is with and also sharing the news of your ministry with everybody! Praise God!"

### FROM INSIDE THE WALL

"**I've been moved again;** there seems to be about 6-8 brothers here with me, but there is division. So I'm talking to them on a one-on-one basis. The Lord will bring them around eventually. I believe this and so do the mature ones. I can only share what I've learned, explain what it means, and tell how we apply this daily in our lives. Before, I didn't have much to add or say. Not anymore! I am more of a doer and not just a hearer as James says. Because of the Write-Way ministry, I've learned a lot and refuse to be discouraged by anyone." **Raymundo**

"**Well, I'm doing great** and I'm going to Chapel more here than I did previously. And I'm trying to serve the Lord better also. I love you all and I pray for you all as well. I can't wait until my next Bible lesson." **Roger**

**"I have just received your wonderful letter** of encouragement and congratulations [each five unit certificate is accompanied by a letter of congratulations]. I so much appreciate all of you at Write-Way and anyone else that helps you all spread the Word of God. I thank God for His Grace that has saved me and you all for bringing His saving Word to me through Emmaus Correspondence School. What a blessing and a comfort you have been to me in this last three years.

"God has given me a release date of June 23, 2011. I'll be going home. I want very much to continue learning. I pray every day that God blesses your ministries and each of your workers." **John**

**"I have brought many to Christ** and sent them to you for discipling. Here is another with this lesson. I have finished your curriculum and I will miss you. Thank you for being my only family and only friend at times." **Scotty**

**"Dear Teachers:** God bless you all. I am thankful for all my lessons. I've been with you for a few years and these Bible lessons have taught me so much. I study them with my Study Bible and the Holy Spirit uses them to behold wonderful things out of God's Word." **Lawrence**

**"Didn't expect to get another great study** such as this one. I see the Lord coming again. I'm in my last 90 days of incarceration and have learned a lot in these three years through these studies. I know this world is temporary and I have to keep my mind set on Jesus Christ, who not only took away my sins but has given me a new life to start again once I'm released. Thank you so much for providing me a wonderful counselor who has helped me understand more clearly." **David**

**"I received a transcript from Write-Way** with a letter that I have completed 36 units and would receive a certificate. I am just really excited about reaching this milestone. Thank you for all you do in your service for God in equipping His saints for service. I look forward to meeting some of you there in the near future and spending eternity in your company in the presence of the Lord, a promise for which I stand in faith." **Gary**

**"This is my fifth time in prison** in the past 32 years. I'll soon be 51 years old and I never cared to learn about the Bible until I was locked up this last time. I prayed to God to help me. I got a Bible and started reading. I started doing Bible studies. That was 09/2009, twenty months ago. I feel like I'm on a treasure hunt seven days a week. I can't get enough. Just think if I would have paid attention 30 years ago. I want to thank you gals and guys for these Bible studies. Keep 'em coming!" **Frank**

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## REPORT FOR MAY

Institutions Served	354
Enrolled Students	8,253
New Enrollees	811
<b>Professions of Faith</b>	<b>64</b>
Course Booklets Mailed	8,484
Course Exams Completed	5,318

### Student Achievements Reached This Month:

<b>36 Course Units Completed:</b>	<b>40 Students</b>
<b>48 Course Units Completed:</b>	<b>32 Students</b>

### Operational Finances Summary:

May Donations:	\$	17,026.11
May Expenses:		23,307.71
Postage:	\$	9,960.62
Courses:		5,932.90
Admin/Misc		7,414.19*
Surplus/(Deficit):	\$	<b>(6,281.60)</b>

**Unpaid May Expenses: \$8,284.23**

*\*Several quarterly payments in this month*

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WPM Statement of Faith is available upon request.**

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