



WRITE-WAY Prison Ministries, Inc.

NEWSLETTER

Dear Friends,

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BOOKS FOR THE OFFENSE

Christ's resurrection is a clarion call to battle. It was not for show, but to rule. All authority has been given to Him and He intends to use it - through you and me. We are a chosen, intentional Generation, an intervening royal Priesthood, and a holy, separated Nation. (I Peter 2:9) WPM is in the thick of this spiritual battle.

The Word of God is our weapon (Eph.6). Our correspondence courses use Scriptures to motivate in overcoming obstacles. These books from ECS and NAV Press are our tools to arouse God's people, first to Kingdom birth, and then to establishing beachheads in the enemy's territory.

However, the tools we use need to be paid for. In spite of the generous 70% discount we receive from our suppliers, paying the invoices are always a challenge. For the past two years our book invoices have averaged \$5,546 a month. In order to pay our publishers in a timely manner, we are asking the Lord for \$10,000 over and above our monthly income to see us through the summer months.

We recently added a newly published discipleship study, *Walkin' The Walk*, which exhorts Christian inmates to integrity, unity, and respect for authority. We have received 15 cases and have shipped more than a 1,000 to date. We must keep up the assault on the enemy's turf, and so much the more as we "see the day approaching." Heb. 10:25

Help us to be aggressive in reaching the "least of these" in these last days. Your gift this month is most appreciated.

Rodger Turley, Director

SUCCESS IN CHRIST

As a child I loved comparing before and after pictures. The fat lady, now thin; the thin man, now muscular; the house, before and after remodeling. Today's version of before and after is "extreme makeover" and I still like it.

The goal of WPM is to cooperate with the Holy Spirit to ignite and mentor a complete spiritual overhaul. The result is that incarcerated men and women can come home to be responsible citizens and a contributing member of the local church. For the next several months I want to intro-

duce you to several such spiritual rebirths. This month, my good friend, St. Patrick Molina (so named, being born on March 17th), a bi-lingual Puerto Rican born in New York, now residing in Dallas, tells his story. RT



Proverbs 18:24 "A man who has friends must himself be friendly, but there is a friend who sticks closer than a brother."

I was born in New York City, a place called Hell's Kitchen in Manhattan. When my mother died I moved to Texas at age 22. I lived on the streets, homeless for about 18 years - a drunk, cokehead, crack smoker, liar, and lusting after women. I went to prison three times, locked up for a total of ten years. At times I wished I was dead.

I was in a two man cell, 8 x 4. One day somebody put a Bible on my bed along with a Write-Way course. I read the OT; it was interesting. But the NT showed me a whole new life. In John 3:16 a man called Jesus died for my sins. I never understood why. But one day when I confessed Jesus Christ as my Lord and Savior and let Him in my heart, He changed my whole life.

The Write-Way courses were some of the best I did. Thank you, Write-Way! I saved all my certificates and framed them under one glass. In 2004 I came out of prison. I am still doing the Write-Way courses, and I love going back into prison to minister. I have a 22 year old daughter, Joessaya; she is very proud of her father for changing his life. A pastor friend provided the means for two years of Bible College. Upon graduation I was licensed and ordained as a pastor myself. I have a full time job and own my own truck. I've never felt so good in all my life! I thank God for my life in Jesus. **Patrick**

OFFENSE SUCCESS

“A quick note to let you know that I’m still here in beautiful Amarillo, TX! I’m enclosing your Bible study, *The Letter to the Hebrews*. It’s the 192nd Bible study that I have completed since I have been incarcerated. It’s the 36th study that I have done with WPM.

I used to not care all that much for Hebrews. Now that I’ve completed your study, I’m really starting to like Hebrews! What sticks with me is the faith of Abel, Enoch, Noah, and countless others. I thought about the faith of my own Write-Way Ministries. It amazes me how faithful and consistent your ministry is- just like the men in Hebrews! I know that God is pleased with your efforts. I love you!

William

“I wish to extend a Christ-loving thank you for the scrupulous work you do in the name of Jesus and our Father Creator in heaven. I have been most blessed in traversing through God’s enduring Word with you and do progress daily in a caring, loving, and honest relationship with our Redeemer.

I wish to say that I have come to a more peaceful place in life and I have you to thank through the mighty works of God and the influence of His magnificent Son, Jesus Christ. Peace to you. **Timothy**

“I am so thankful to all my sisters and brothers at WPM. You all have been such a great help to my life spiritually and physically. There is no other food in the life better than that of the knowledge and wisdom of God. Thank you all very much for being so loving and caring for the life and future of others. I am looking forward to another Bible study course real soon.” **Horace**

“Thank you for everything that you do for us. It really does make a difference. Getting arrested and detained in Collin County Detention Facility has been the best thing that has ever happened to me. You guys are awesome and I don’t think you could ever know how much of a difference you make. Keep up the good work!” **David**

How has this lesson helped you? (*What The Bible Teaches*) “It taught me a bunch of stuff. I really didn’t know too much and the stuff I did know it expanded on. I like this stuff and I thank you guys for taking time out of your day to look over them. It really means a lot.” **Michael**

“I am writing to apologize that I delayed in my studies. There was a point of discouragement and worldliness that sank into my life. However, thank you for the postcard (You’ve been missed!) and for your concern. Thank you for what you do for prisoners like me in that you inspire Hope through the Scriptures.” **Juan**

From a Mother: “Thank you so much for the monthly newsletter. My son has enjoyed the lessons. Just to share a note of happiness, Bryan was given parole on his first review. He gets out in August. I am so excited that God has worked with him and been by his side through the last three years. Bryan now knows and sees that God is real and does love him. So again, thank you for all the wonderful things you are helping to do in these men.”

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Ministry Statistics	MAR	YTD
Institutions Served	319	Aver. 327
Enrolled Students	7,463	Aver. 7444
New Enrollees (<i>Born To Win</i>)	858	2,445
Professions of Faith	35	133
Course Books Mailed	6,334	18,083
Course Exams Completed	4,514	14,100

Student Achievements	MAR	YTD
36 Course Units Completed	19	130
48 Course units Completed	6	100
60 Course Units Completed	0	53

Operation Finances	MAR	YTD
Funds Received:	\$16,647.12	41,129.45
Funds Budgeted:	\$17,858.33	53,575.00
Short*	<u>(\$1,211.21)</u>	<u>(\$12,445.55)</u>

*December 2011 surplus: \$11,267.64

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