



WRITE-WAY Prison Ministries, Inc.

NEWSLETTER

Dear Friends,

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OPEN MY MOUTH, LORD

FROM A GRADUATE TAKING ADDITIONAL COURSES FROM ECS: Michael

“I have learned so much while doing these ECS studies, not only from the lessons, but also from my instructor. He has been a real inspiration to me since he was assigned to grade my lessons. Many lessons ago I wanted to stop doing them and I fought this for a while. I would do them just to do them. I did not care if I passed or not.

“But my instructor would always put words of encouragement on my returned lessons (‘I know you can do better.’) That is what kept me going and that is why I now have a certificate for 108 units. I thank God for ECS Ministries and all who are involved. Through these courses my life has changed. Because of that change I can teach others about God and do it with confidence. May Almighty God bless you all.”

FROM DISCOURAGEMENT TO HAPPINESS: Efrin

“I received your postcard last week wondering why I have not sent any courses back to you for so long. Well, the reason why you never heard back from me is because I became discouraged on going forward with the Word of God. I have been going through a lot these past few months with my family’s issues. I just gave up on everything, including my road to the Lord!

“The devil took hold of my mind and blocked out all the good things the Word of God has to offer me and the rest of the world. Forgive me Lord for I have sinned. Now that I have received my calling from the Lord through you to come into the light again, I am so happy. I am ready to continue my path with Write-Way and our Lord Jesus Christ forever. Amen! Thank you for bringing me back to the word of happiness.”

SPECIAL PRAISE

FROM A STUDENT IN THE PROCESS OF GETTING A BACHELOR’S DEGREE IN THEOLOGY: Michael

“First of all I would like to express my dear gratitude to everyone there for the time and effort they give through their work in the Lord at Write-Way. You have no idea how many times I’ve fallen asleep in my cell with one of your Bible studies on my chest. They have given me so much comfort and peace during my three years locked up. I have taken every study seriously and tried to always put more into them as I did the last one.

“Your program led me through the wilderness in my time of need and I’ll never forget it. Thank you for allowing me to share and fellowship with you.”

ED.NOTE: This student realized his counselor was from his hometown. He profusely apologized if his former manner of life had offended the counselor, who might have known him. He even offered to withdraw from the program!

FROM A STUDENT NOW SERVING IN FREE WORLD: Thomas

“Thank you for sending me an updated list of my completed courses and inquiring about a missing book. During my frenzied move and excitement of gaining more freedom, I believe I left it behind under my mattress. Please send me another.

“Although I am still without income, I am still clean and sober and walking with God here at the care center ministry. I do lots of volunteer work to feed the homeless, and thanks to your diligent heart of ministry, I now have a love for God’s word that is leading me to become a Christian Leadership Counselor at this men’s home. I am forever grateful for your love and your faithfulness to reach out to those who are in darkness and bring them the light of hope from faith in Jesus Christ.”

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FROM A STUDENT OVERCOMING LIFE'S TRIALS AND TROUBLES: Ernest

“Thank you all at Write-Way for being there and for all your prayers and ministering through the mail. I thank the Lord for His completed work and for your encouragement through words of faith and enlightened teachings. I also want to admit, as of this year, I truly understand Jesus is not just to be my Savior, but am now understanding what it means to have Him as Lord in my life and walk of faith.

“Thank God for moving in your hearts for us brothers and sisters who are incarcerated and sometimes forgotten about at Holidays. May our Lord continue to bless us and allow us to overcome life's many trials and troubles.”

FROM A STUDENT WHO SEARCHED FOR EVERY SCRIPTURE CITED: Michael

“This study of Mark has given me a much greater depth of the Gospel of Jesus Christ. I'm not certain whether its level of difficulty was greater than other studies or whether I was compelled to dig deeper than ever before. But I do know I spent at least 24 hours of cumulative time, searching for every Scripture cited, as well as cross-references to the other gospels, plus all prophecies. The reward for me is obvious!

“As always, thanks to all at WPM for what you've done for my Christian education as well as strengthening my ability to endure the ordeal I've undergone. God bless all of you, especially the one grading my work.”

FROM A STUDENT FEELING GOD'S LOVE AND PEACE: Jose

“Thank you for your prompt actions in sending me this new study. When I am engaged in them I feel God's love and His peace. I disconnect from all the issues and problems surrounding me. I lose myself and truly feel a joy in doing them and referencing the Bible. Thank you for filling and making my time productive in strengthening my mind and heart.”

IN MEMORIUM

Thank you to James & Sarah Goyné for a gift in remembrance of Ray Culberson, brother of Dug Culberson, who along with his wife, Vicki, are devoted volunteers. Thank you to Lyle and Evelyn Yarnell for a gift in remembrance of Lucile Nichols, volunteer throughout 28 years of WPM and sister to Ralph Nichols, the founding director.

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Ministry Statistics	January
Enrolled Students	6,726
New Enrollees (<i>Born To Win</i>)	919
Professions of Faith	48
Course Books Mailed	6,452
Course Exams Completed	4,614

Student Achievements	January
Curriculum Completed	8

Operation Finances	January
Funds Budgeted:	\$14,166.67
Funds Received:	\$21,550.84
Funds Expended:	\$19,296.02
Postage:	<i>\$12,339.48</i> *
Courses:	<i>\$2,773.41</i>
Printing:	<i>\$1,057.54</i>
Funded Salary/4QTR12 tax	<i>\$1,798.54</i>
Other:	<i>\$1,327.05</i>
Net Plus	\$2,254.82

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