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WRITE-WAY Prison Ministries, Inc.

BLESSINGS FROM PRISON

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Dear Friends,

“...those who receive abundance of grace and of gift of righteousness will reign in life through the One, Jesus Christ.” Romans 5:17

Christians don't have to barely make it in life; we have been resourced in Christ to actually reign in life. Ministries don't have to barely make it; they can actually reign in their outreach, and that includes WPM!

It is my joy to report to you that the Navigator **Fund a Course – Build a Life** campaign has reached beyond its goal with current gifts totaling \$12,425.00! Thank you to all who have given so generously for such excellent courses.

In the March newsletter we shared testimonies from book two of the Navigator series. We want to do that again, using the three categories: Before I Trusted Christ; How I Trusted Christ; and Since I've Trusted Christ. They are reigning!

Rodger Turley, Director

BEGINNING A NEW LIFE

Justin

BEFORE: “I was filled with anger and depression. I would quickly respond with yelling and cursing. I showed little respect to those closest to me. Hard times weighed heavily on me and thoughts of suicide commonly dwelled in my mind.”

HOW: “Though I wasn't seeking God, He had found ways to bring Himself to the front of my mind. He convicted me of my wrongs. I finally acknowledged Him as a start.”

SINCE: “I found myself incarcerated and it didn't take long for me to realize this is a step towards His purpose for me. He had saved me from death. I have truly declared Jesus as my Lord and Savior. The more I dwell in God's Word, the greater understanding I gain. I've gained something worth far more than a 15 year sentence and that is the gift of everlasting life awarded to those only through Jesus Christ.”



A new roof was added in early summer in addition to protective porches over the two front entrances.

TROUBLE, TROUBLE, TROUBLE

Brandon

BEFORE: “I was emotionally unstable, immature, self-centered, and very childish. Drunk.”

HOW: “I'd had enough troubles and knew my Creator has the very best life for me. He will bless us far more than we can fathom.”

SINCE: “I offer my body to Him daily as a living sacrifice. I read daily in God's Word so that the Holy Spirit will continue to change me. I am very quick to confess my sin. I pray and the Lord gives me joy, peace, and the fruits of the Spirit.”

LIVING A BAD LIFE

Raquel

BEFORE: “I was a drug dealer and a drug user. Then I became a call girl and posted an ad online. I was living a bad life and on my way to total destruction. I had a lot of anger in my heart all my life because of things that happened to me in the past.”

HOW: “I was saved 8/2012 at Dawson State Jail in Dallas where I ended up in the ‘God Pod.’”

SINCE: “God has totally changed my life. I am learning to build a strong relationship with Christ. I'm learning His Word and to be obedient. I'm learning that I must share my testimony with others and love others.”

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A TOTAL MESS

Roderick

BEFORE: “I was a total mess, lost in my addiction to drugs, going in and out of State Jail and rehabs. I wasn’t even trying to work anymore, just hustling, stealing, and cheating. Inside was so much hurt and pain.”

HOW: “One day, sitting in an alley high on drugs, I felt that life was truly meaningless and I had no will to live anymore. I cried out to God with a sincere heart and I felt peace! One hour later I was arrested and sitting in the back of a police car with tears running down my face, thinking to myself that God did what needed to be done!”

SINCE: “I study on a daily basis every morning and He is giving me the wisdom and knowledge to speak boldly to those who look lost and are hurting. I do see the process of sanctification in my life, making me more like Jesus. This is only the start of a wonderful life by keeping my eyes and focus on Jesus.”

A TOTAL WRECK

Annice

BEFORE: “I was a total wreck. I would do things that only satisfied my wants and desires. I didn’t care for the consequences of my actions.”

HOW: “I became a Christian last year through a good friend, a mentor from Celebrate Recovery. I was tired of living life and getting consistently hurt. I wanted relief from all my inner demons.”

SINCE: “My life has been a happier place. Christ has given me joy by allowing me to meet those who walk with Him. My best friend has been amazing. We pray together, read the Bible together, go to church together, and praise our Lord together. It is amazing what the Lord has done. And what’s He has done is nothing compared to what He can and will do!”

AUGUST

Ministry Statistics

Enrolled Students	7,308
New Enrollees (<i>Born To Win</i>)	1,070
Professions of Faith	61
Course Books Mailed	7,666
Course Exams Completed	5,397

Student Achievements

Curriculum Completed	18
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Operation Finances

August Budget:	\$14,166.67
August Receipts:	\$15,266.65
August Expenses:	\$18,352.14
(Books, postage, & printing: \$14,198.01 = 82.93%)	

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