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# WRITE-WAY Prison Ministries. Inc.

# BLESSINGS FROM PRISON

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#### Dear Friends,

**OUR MISSION**: To introduce Jesus Christ to each incarcerated person in Texas and Louisiana through a curriculum of English and Spanish Bible correspondence courses, that are free, postpaid, and volunteer graded.

#### FOUND, FED, AND FREE

This week I received a request from an inmate to start up her lessons once more. Enclosed with her request was a monthly letter compiled by the Faith Dorm members. It had the above title, with a sub-title of, "No longer lost, no longer hungry, no longer captive." It contained an article, prayers for the week, a suggested memory verse, and seven selections for reading the Bible through chronologically in a year.

In several prisons I have learned that the Chaplain has a discipleship program. Once completed, he allows men that are led to do so to preach at Chapel. Each graduate becomes a "deacon" in his dorm, caring for the spiritual needs of those around him.

WPM is right in the middle of a variety of ministries going on in the prisons! Rodger Turley, Director

Celebrating an April birthday! Dr. Gordon Robinson (81!), wife Esther, and Elizabeth, who baked the cake displaying a park bench, pond, rocks, balloons, and green grass!





WORK DAY AT WPM: 9 great workers from the Heiberger Life Group from Chase Oaks in Plano.

# **BRIEF, BUT GRATEFUL**

"For the work all of you do for us inmates, and for your time and encouraging words, they mean a lot to me. I will continue to pray for you; please pray I'll grow more in the knowledge of God's love, and in the knowledge of what Christ accomplished on the cross. Inexhaustible truths!" **Jon** 

"First, let me say how much I enjoy doing these Bible studies. This is by far the best Bible study I have ever done, and I have done many of them. I really love this course." [His poem below]

The Condemned's Prayer

When they lay me down to sleep,
My soul, I know, my Lord will keep.
For I'm to die for Justice sake;
I'll be with Jesus when I wake.
John (Death Row)

"I am now at the GRAD program where I am renouncing my past gang affiliation so I can get out of SEG. I plan on trying to go the seminary program that is being offered on the Darrington Unit. Please keep me in your prayers. I'll keep doing your lessons no matter what!" Brandon

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#### GOOD NEWS FROM INSIDE THE WALLS

"I am doing very good – supernaturally blessed! This study, *Managing Anger God's Way*, was as best a Bible study of this subject I have ever completed. To say the least, it was an awesome Bible study that I feel directly addressed one of my worst shortcomings – the sin which so easily besets me (Hebrews 12:1). Thank you!" **David** 

"First of all, may God continue blessing write-Way Ministries and the effort you servants are putting into the work. Write-Way is a perfect example of good fruit Jesus is talking about on the tree, and also the salt and light. Keep up God's good work." **Nathan** 

"If you would be so kind and send me the next lesson so that I'm not without spiritual edification that comes through your studies. I would consider it a blessing. I'm on medical restrictions, so I'm in the dorm all day reading my study Bible and other Christian materials. I was very impressed and spiritually enlightened by the study I returned and look forward to continuing my growth with you. May God bless and keep us through His merciful grace." **Everett** 

"Greetings to you and the staff who send out these wonderful studies of the Lord and Bible. I really enjoy these studies because they make you think, pray, and search the Scripture to find answers. I am one of the lucky ones to find such a study. Thank God for teachers who love the Lord and show it through their compassion for Christ. There are times when I want to quit. But I can't because there is a lot to learn about how to be more like Christ Jesus. So to you and your staff, thank you for being there when I need something to keep my mind off problems and on Jesus. Thank you for praying for me; I might not see or hear you, but I know you do so. Glory be to God!" Larry

"These courses have taught me so much I didn't know. They help keep me on the right path. Most of all they helped me build a relationship with God. These books have saved me in more ways than one."

Brian

"Thank you for all your encouragement throughout my studies. I enjoy reading your responses to the questions on each lesson. It lets me know that someone is actually reading them and cares." **Timothy** 

"Thank you for your ministry. It is changing my life, and I will change my family's way of life." **Steven** 

BY THE NUMBERS				
	MAR. '16	MAR. '15		
Ministry Statistics				
Enrolled Students	8,090	7,991		
New Enrollees (Born To Win)	1,011	1,086		
Professions of Faith	70	56		
Course Books Mailed	6,784	7,482		
Course Exams Completed	4,841	5,531		
Student Achievements				
Students Graduated (72 units)	11	17		
Operation Finances				
Expenses:	\$18,411.85	\$30,469.76		
Postage: \$ 9,736.08				
Courses: \$ 5,226.89				
Other: \$ 3,448.88				
Donations:	<u>\$12,417.34</u>	<u>\$11,281.26</u>		
NET:	(\$5,994.51)	(\$19,188.50)		

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Dr. Gordon A Robinson (Manager BR054) On his 81<sup>st</sup> Birthday By Betty R Baugh (sister)

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