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WRITE-WAY Prison Ministries, Inc.



BLESSINGS FROM PRISON

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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.

Dear Friends,

In I Corinthians 3:10 Paul declares, "as a wise master builder I have laid the foundation, and another builds on it." In a similar manner, 34 years ago, Ralph and Dorothy Nichols took up the challenge and task to lay the groundwork of an outreach to Texas prisoners. With wisdom they compiled a curriculum that honored Christ. They collected numerous doctrinal papers and wrote letters for instruction and encouragement. They assembled a team of volunteers gifted with discernment and compassion to work the front lines of grading and counseling. They were given property, built a home office, and assembled a diligent staff to serve the field and students.

All the first generation of Nichols - Ralph, sister Lucile, brother Alfred, and wife Dot - are now in Heaven. But not much has changed here; we still follow the same format. Christ is honored and many continue to step up to build upon this excellent foundation. Our task is never finished and our needs are ongoing. We thank you for your integral part in ministering to prisoners and exalting Christ in this special Harvest Field.

Rodger Turley, Director

"Remember the prisoners as if chained with them..." Hebrews 13:3

WPM CELEBRATING 34 YEARS



First Director, Ralph Nichols and wife Dorothy



Ralph often worked the mailroom



The Nichols family with other volunteers

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VERY GRATEFUL

"Dear and significant brothers of Write-Way PM, It is my great desire for you that God all powerful fill you with His love, grace, presence, and His strength in every area of life. I am very grateful for this ministry, for the Christian education which it has provided. Because of these lessons I have learned much more than I knew before.

"Thanks to all of you, and also to all those who make this ministry possible. May the Lord of the Harvest guard and protect you in this very position so you can serve Him and His people continually. Your pupil, Marlon" (A Spanish student)

GRATITUDE AND APPRECIATION

"I am very much excited to receive my next lessons, for the first lessons have been an amazing experience for me. I want to express my gratitude and appreciation for your contribution to my spiritual journey." **Andrew**

MOST WONDERFUL THING

"I was having a bad day sitting in my cell. All of a sudden something told me to go through some old studies that had already been graded. I came across one of the lady's comments. Right then the Holy Spirit began to minister to me through her comments. I realized how much love she had in what she was doing. I began to cry uncontrollably; somehow the Holy Spirit connected me with her heart. It was the most wonderful thing I had ever experienced! So keep up the good work!" **Clifford**

GREAT OPPORTUNITY

"I have only praise to all ECS ministries volunteers. I absolutely can't wait to receive each new study of God's Word. Through this incarceration God has given me great opportunity to really study His Word and know Him like never before. I'm also grateful to receive the returned lessons with instructors' comments. I value them. I'm not alone in my perseverance." Sandee

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BY THE NUMBERS		
	August '16	August '15
Ministry Statistics		
Enrolled Students	8,046	8,137
New Enrollees (Born To Win)	933	1,005
Professions of Faith	91	54
Course Books Mailed	6,487	6,315
Course Exams Completed	4,756	4,289
Student Achievements		
Students Graduated (72 units)	11	12
Operation Finances		
Expenses:	\$26,205.54	\$23,003.17
Postage: \$ 12,277.03		
Courses: \$ 8,229.50		
Salary: \$ 1,845.00		
Other: \$ 3,854.01		
Donations:	\$23,840.67	<u>\$17,060.10</u>
NET:	(\$2,364.87)	(\$5,943.07)

STARTED A PRAYER CIRCLE

"I want to thank you for the Bible studies you send. They are wonderful and I enjoy them a lot. I told my seven year old daughter about them and she wanted some for herself and her mother.

"Since I've started these programs I've enrolled in two more studies here on the unit. I've started a prayer group here in the dorm and we gather every night about 9:15. About 10 -15 come to our circle and pray. Thanks for all your help!" **Richard**

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