



WRITE-WAY Prison Ministries, Inc.

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BLESSINGS FROM PRISON

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Keeping the Main Thing, the Main Thing – 2018

	<u>2018</u>	<u>5 Year Avg</u>
Active Students:	7,586	7,683
New Students:	8,367	10,468
Professions of Faith:	558	722
Courses Shipped:	58,983	69,564
Exams Graded:	41,545	49,310
No. of Graduates:	141	160
No. of Prisons/Jails:	352	319
Postage Costs:	\$91,605	\$110,876
Course Costs:	\$97,397	\$85,588
Avg Cost/per Student:	\$5.78	\$5.22

In 2017 the state of Texas had 236,646 individuals incarcerated in its county, state, and federal prisons. So it is obvious that we have an almost unlimited harvest field from which to work. Plus we work with Louisiana inmates. For whatever reason – money, personnel, access, dropout, etc – we have maintained about a 3% contact rate. And that number stays constant even though we enroll more than 8,000 students each year!

The “main thing” is that we deal with those whom the Lord has given us with integrity and compassion. What is their spiritual status? What particular sin issue can we help them overcome? How can we communicate encouragement to them? We want to keep our distractions to a minimum. So we labor to please our Savior. Please join us in this engaging and rewarding venture in pilgrimage.

Thank you for all the Bible studies

“I just wanted to say ‘thank you’ to you and all your staff for all the Bible studies you have sent me. Here is a \$15.00 withdrawal from my prison account. I pray for all of you, that you may grow in your relationship with the Father, in wisdom and knowledge of the Word and the love of Christ; that you be sensitive to those in need and help those who are lost to be saved; that you overcome any struggles, bad habits, and sin, and be corrected in things you may need; that the Father give you strength to speak His Word boldly and may He richly bless you and help your ministries grow. I give Him thanks and praise in Jesus name.”

Steven

Doing something different with my life

“I have completed the twelve lessons in this course. I didn’t know if I would do good or not. I don’t read or write so good, but I try. People say I’m illiterate, having little or no education. When I was 20, I was in two car wrecks. I have experienced learning ability incapacity, a mental impairment.

“I never in my life studied the Bible, never. I thank you for your time for sending these Bible studies. I’m working on doing something different with my life. God is good. My prayer once I get up in the morning: Thank you for my clean bed, a good night’s sleep, for the sunshine, for breakfast on the table, and a smile on my lips.”

Fred

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.

Prayer Corner

As we start the new year of 2019, we are concerned about the drop in active students. Numbers don't always measure success or maturity, but we do desire to reach as many as the Lord brings to us. Pray for solid professions of faith and a desire to grow.

Made me think

"This course is very beneficial for someone [*Study to Show Yourself Approved*]. It is very meaty and made me think. Most of the Bible studies I have done are not like that. This one is awesome. I would love to keep all the books I get, but can't. This one is good. I love studying. I want to show myself approved." **Tammy**

I prayed for help

"This study [*Managing Anger God's Way*] was very helpful to me in my present condition of mind. Praise God! I prayed for help in this area and God sent this study." **Scott**

The coming of Jesus Christ is very near

"With all humility I write this letter to you to ask if you can send me Bible studies. Because, as you well know, the coming of Jesus Christ is very near and we need to prepare ourselves to announce it to all the world – the plan of salvation. As Christians we should sow the seeds of the Word.

"I hope you will be able to help me, and as you can see, I don't know how to write very well and I don't understand some words because I have not studied. I hope the love and peace of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ is blessing you each day so that when we arrive in the presence of our heavenly Father we will be worthy of the inheritance that He promises us in heaven."

Candelario (in Spanish)

For the wedding of the Lamb has come, and his bride has made herself ready. Revelation 19:7

WPM Statement of Faith is available upon request.

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BY THE NUMBERS

	<u>DEC 2018</u>	<u>YTD 2018</u>
Ministry Statistics		
		avg
Enrolled Students	7,034	7586
Enrollees - <i>Born To Win</i>	529	8,367
Professions of Faith	27	558
Course Books Mailed	3,846	58,983
Course Exams Completed	2,693	41,545
Graduates - 72+ units	18	141
Operation Finances		
Expenses:	\$17,070.51	\$240,118.43
Postage:	\$7,392.97	\$91,604.53
Courses:	\$5,954.00	\$97,396.75
Staff support:	\$1,175.00	\$12,060.37
Other:	\$2,548.54	\$39,056.78
Donations:	\$44,471.56	\$234,584.95
NET:	\$27,401.05	(\$5,533.48)

Touching more lives

"Thank you, Ms. Grace, for your love, kindness, and dedication. Your service with Write-Way is touching more lives in more ways than you could imagine. God bless you!" **Delaney**
[Grace is Manager of BR059 and teaches a weekly Bible study class in Collin County Jail]

From a detention center...

"I wanted to let you know how important this Bible study is to me. It is not something I do to pass the time here in prison. I truly look forward to these studies and know for a fact that it brings me closer to Christ. Thank you very much for these courses." **Ruth**

God's Blueprint for Your Marriage

"God changes our life to the likeness of Christ. I have a much better understanding of the Word of my Lord. These studies have helped me a lot to be a good man." **Edward**

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