



WRITE-WAY Prison Ministries, Inc.

BLESSINGS FROM PRISON

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Dear Friends,

Abraham believed God...	Genesis 15:6
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At Write-Way Prison Ministries we have one goal: To encourage those we serve to believe God. To believe there is a God is only the starting point. Once they are convinced He exists, then they are positioned to believe what He says. Every month we present testimonies evidencing this trust.

Every month we receive support gifts from those who also believe God. And they are seeing the fruit of their investment. In 2019:

- We enrolled 7,851 new students;
- We mailed out 61,629 courses;
- We counseled on 41,429 exams;
- We recorded 475 professions of faith;
- We served students in 309 TX and LA prisons.

Here we are, already starting the third decade of the first century of the third millennium AD! Let us labor together so that we may hear His soon commendation: “Well done, good and faithful (believing) servant.” *Matthew 25:21*

Rodger Turley, Director

YOUR CARE AND CONCERN

“Thank you all for your care and concern that you allow us to fellowship in the studies in prison. These lessons help me stay focused and allow me to share with others. I’m so grateful to be back with a relationship that a sinner like me doesn’t deserve. Only by Jesus Christ who died... that’s the only truth that gives me hope and faith. I learn to live today like it’s my last day. I stay prepared. The more I know, the more is required. Thank you, Jesus!” **Roger**

START A NEW YEAR

“What a wonderful way to start a new year! I can honestly say, I don’t know if God blessed you by putting me in your life, but He sure blessed me by putting you in my life! My release date is 09/2021 and I will go out and continue to study His Word and spread the Good News of Jesus Christ – to love and accept others and to be of help as much as I can. May you all experience the joy, peace, and love of Christ as I do.”

Joe

BROKEN... DESTROYED

“When I first came to prison, I was broken and felt as though my whole life had been destroyed. But with all your help (Bible studies), I matured a lot since then, and I came to realize that God didn’t put me in prison to punish me, but to change me, to better me. I know He loves me and that I have something beautiful coming. You all have been my family through it all. God bless!” **Erica**

A HELPFUL RESOURCE

“I really enjoy what you guys do for a living. I appreciate you being a helpful resource for people like me. Your biblical assessment can really improve and test my Bible skills. So, thank you for standing with Christ and helping others.” **Gabriel**

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

This month, we have had some issues with the computer system. Please pray.

This Spring is the Emmaus Prison Conference in Dubuque, IA. Please pray.

This year we want to contact as many Chaplains as possible. Please pray.

OPENED MY EYES

“Thank you for these studies. They have opened my eyes about things I thought I knew and also things I misunderstood. They have kept me busy when I was bored and have given me something to do instead of fighting about television. They have kept me out of trouble and let me see what is important.” *Anthony*

IN THE WAY OF TRUTH

“When I was previously jailed, I participated in this study. I would like to study again, because God helped me to get along little by little in what He has for me. I want to keep studying in this Bible study since I want to follow Christ more. I know that God wants the best for me. My motive is that I want to keep fighting in the Word of God to be able to be in the way of Truth.” *Americo* (Spanish)

I SEE THINGS SPIRITUALLY

“Your books helped me in lots of ways. Sometimes I would read the Bible and not understand it. Bible study has given me a new perspective. I see things spiritually. Before, I saw things physically. I did not get it at all. I am now seeing things clearly. When new girls come into prison, I talk to them, help them deal with their situations, and tell them they are not alone. God is here with them.” *Victoria*

WPM Statement of Faith is available upon request.

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BY THE NUMBERS

	<u>DEC 2019</u>	<u>YTD 2019</u>	
<u>Ministry Statistics</u>			
Enrolled Students	6,678	6,948	AVG
Enrollees - <i>Born To Win</i>	578	7,851	
Professions of Faith	35	475	
Course Books Mailed	4,798	61,629	
Course Exams Completed	3,292	41,429	
Graduates 72+ units	18	153	
<u>Program Gifts and Expenses</u>			
Expenses:	\$31,229.37	\$240,704.34	
Postage:	\$6,655.04	\$86,763.00	
Courses:	\$17,826.19	\$101,494.94	
Staff support:	\$1,975.00	\$11,274.00	
Qtrly Insurance	\$1,176.18	\$3,336.18	
Other:	\$3,596.96	\$37,836.22	
Donations:	<u>\$53,518.54</u>	<u>\$238,641.27</u>	
NET:	\$22,289.17	(\$2,063.07)	

A TOP TEN!

“I’ve had many studies (approximately 67), but now I’m in the Faith dorm with classes also. So, I’ve been very busy. Now I’ve picked 10 studies to continue with so I can stay on track. Of course, Write-Way is a top 10! I love your studies.” *Carla*

THEY BRING ME JOY

“I just wanted to thank you for the letters that you send. They bring me joy and bring me to tears. I keep them and read them every day. May the Lord bless you for your time and efforts. The Bible studies with your letter is all the mail I get. I look forward to them every time.” *Manuel*

YOUR KIND WORDS

“I really appreciate your kind words. You lift up my spirit every time I get a test exam back. I don’t know your name, but I pray for you. Thank you for making my day!” *Patricia*

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