

BLESSINGS FROM PRISON

Write-Way Prison Ministries - A Bible Correspondence School

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“Remember those who are in prison, as though in prison with them.” *Hebrews 13:3 (ESV)*

Charles Colson: Why do we need outrageous justice?

Americans in jail or prison:	1.7 million	Americans on parole or probation:	4.5 million
Adults with a criminal record:	70 million	Children with a parent behind bars:	1.5 million
People arrested every day:	28,000	Released prisoners re-arrested in 3 years:	2 out of 3

What Christ is to me

“I was going through a situation of sickness, addictions, and temptations of the flesh and greed. I was a man trying to get everything the world offered. But God came to my heart and said to me, “As it was in the days of Noah...” That was my life.

“I remember that it made me very sad that God knew all about me. I was ashamed before Him. I pleaded with Him. I cried to Him. I prayed every day asking God to send me someone who would teach me His Word. Two days later a brother came to me and said, ‘Come and sit here with me. I’m going to tell you what God wants you to do.’ And when he finished, I prayed, ‘I’m Yours, Papa. Thank You for Your mercy and Your love.’ All this happened in 2020; I was baptized in September, 2021. I was healed of all my sicknesses. Christ is my new life. He has filled the emptiness of my life: my Healer, my Redeemer, the One who carried my sins to the cross so I could be free. Now I am saved and have Eternal life! I can hear Him saying to me, ‘I’ll never abandon you, My son.’ And when I hear it, tears come from my eyes. When my heart was hard, it was difficult to cry, but now He has broken all of me and He is my confidence, my peace, my help, my strength in tribulation, in temptation, my joy, my all. This is what Christ is to me.” **Alexandro**

Stand in the authority of Jesus Christ

“I’m interested in your correspondence ministry. I had the blessing of reading some of your curriculum from a fellow inmate in this unit. It was The Holy Spirit at Work. Very interesting topic. I love Jesus and I’ve been fully dedicated to His will since December 18, 2022. I’ve been in and out of dark holes all of my life since the age of 17. I was brought up in the foundation of Kingdom principles as a young child, but was rebellious. It’s crazy how now all of this is just so easy and how hungry I am for more Godly wisdom.

“I’ve been addicted to drugs, been active in gang activity, pretty much you name it, and was delivered from all this. I now can see a clearer view of Satan’s agenda that once I was in bondage to. This has formed me to be a threat to the darkness. I now stand in the authority of Jesus Christ and boldly declare His name.

“I started a prison ministry from my cell and have been using it to promote God’s Kingdom. It’s slowly but surely growing, and I can’t wait for it to explode and blow the doors off these prisons! But just like the relationship I’m building with Jesus, it started off slow, but gets more awesome as the days go by. I’ve been wandering in the wilderness 40 years like the Israelites. No more. Praise be to Jesus Christ!” **Brian**

OUR MISSION

To introduce Jesus Christ to each incarcerated person in TX, LA, MS, NM, and IA through a curriculum of English and Spanish Bible correspondence courses that are free, postpaid, and volunteer counseled.

Please pray

For the 96 introductory packets that we just mailed to Texas State Chaplains.

For first class mail (now blocked from all Texas State prisons in favor of being scanned) to be allowed for non-profit ministries, like Write-Way.

I wanna be like Jesus

“I have been hearing about you all in jail; many of my friends in here are learning from what you all teach them. I was wondering if I can get work papers and some quizzes so I can also learn from them.

“I am a Christian and have heard about Jesus. I want to keep learning and be a disciple. I have not been a good son or friend. I wanna be like Jesus and the people that follow him. I’m learning from my mistakes and I don’t want to be stuck in my own world without learning the truth. Sometimes I tried to stay to myself. I think about my mistakes and the bad stuff I did out there. I really regret it. I’m not that person that I was six years ago. Now I’m older and can think better, even in something little, I know if it is right or wrong. I confessed my sins, and sometimes I cried about it, realizing that it was wrong and I feel God touching my soul and breaking me. Thank you for giving hope and faith to us in here. I see the difference and people really show happiness and faith in here.” *Diery*

A kind of belly in the whale experience

“I’ve got an inmate in here who does your lessons daily. I would love to also enroll into your classes. I’ve backslidden and ended up in jail, a kind of belly in the whale experience. I believe your lessons could help fill my cup. If you would be kind enough to enroll me, I would be very thankful.” *Jeffrey*

BY THE NUMBERS

	JUNE 2023	YTD 2023	
Ministry Statistics			
Enrolled Students	4,238	4,311	avg
Enrollees - <i>Born To Win</i>	386	2,164	
Professions of Faith	11	62	
Course Books Mailed	3,042	17,626	
Course Exams Completed	1,932	11,277	
Graduates 72+ units	11	68	
Program Gifts and Expenses			
Expenses:	\$15,346.98	\$90,238.01	
Postage:	\$4,850.00	\$35,340.86	
Courses:	\$6,052.36	\$30,422.22	
Staff support:	\$1,314.00	\$6,016.37	
Qtrly Insurance	\$1,451.75	\$2,903.50	
Paper/Envelopes	\$1,115.92	\$6,688.05	
Other:	\$562.95	\$8,867.01	
Donations:	\$11,692.61	\$87,477.33	
Acct Dividends	\$1,186.95	\$6,326.95	
NET:	(\$2,467.42)	\$3,566.27	

This program has truly blessed me

“I do not have Walkin’ the Walk or Lessons for Christian Living and need to complete these. I am sure they were lost because of my transfer to another prison. I thank you so much for providing these studies! I look forward to receiving them and love getting to know my best friend, Jesus, more. This program has truly blessed me!” *Adam*

I’ve learned so much and have been edified

“Just writing to let you know I’ve completed Joseph: A Life of Virtue. I never received Doing Time with Jesus. If you resend it, I will complete it and send it in. Thank you so much for what you do for the Kingdom of God. Through your courses I’ve learned so much and have been edified. God bless and keep you.” *Randy*

[**Editor’s note:** In transferring from one prison to another, the inmate is no longer able to carry personal property. It is forwarded on a property bus and is often lost, stolen, or trashed.]