BLESSINGS FROM PRISON

Write-Way Prison Ministries

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

OUR MISSION

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

Count me as a success story

"I am still so, so grateful for you all at Emmaus as I have said in the past. I will never forget how I found that Bible study behind a bench, Born to Win. I plan on framing all of the certificates I have received from your ministry, or putting them in a photo album along with the personal letters your graders have sent me. I don't know if you can grasp how much you all helped me through such a hard time, or how validating those letters and comments on the Bible studies were when I felt so, so worthless and alone. I have been rescued from the pit! And though I may have seasons, I will forever offer my praise to the Way, the Truth, the Light, and those whom He worked through. Thank you, thank you, thank you so much. I hope you at Emmaus count me as a success story, and I will stand the test of time even after my release which is now less than two months away." Brandon

Christ is the only Way

"Your program has given me hope and let me know that there's another way to life and Christ is the only Way. Thank you." Chance

Able to listen to 'Jail Radio'

"I have recently been able to listen to 'Jail Radio' which is broadcast out of a county jail in Texas [Bell CJ in Belton, TX]. I hear that you are offering a Bible study so I can learn more about Jesus Christ and following him. Please mail to..."

Brandon (in Florida)

Announcement: FREE Emmaus Bible study app!

Emmaus Worldwide now has their studies in 32 languages on an app for phones and tablets. Go to https://emmaus-app.com. Scripture references are in NIV or ESV.

Win the battles of my mind

"I want to thank Write-Way for giving me this opportunity that I have to accomplish the study, Win the Battle for Your Mind. All these years, being a student and taught the Word of God, has opened my eyes to see clearly and has helped me win the battles of my mind every single day. I was blind and lost for many years because the devil defeated me mentally and I lost the battle of my mind. The Holy Spirit has given me confidence, hope, and made me a new man. I'm a follower of Christ and I have been putting into practice God's word. I'm ready to serve God and others and to bring back those lost souls that are thirsty and don't have the courage to follow God completely because of false pride and letting the devil's thoughts defeat them mentally. When I get out of prison, I want to preach and teach others in society and in prisons. God bless you and thanks for changing my thoughts and life." Lerov

Look forward to studies arriving

"You have no idea how much I look forward to studies arriving so I've got something to occupy my mind. For all of us it's a daily struggle mentally and emotionally to maintain our sanity. You've no idea how wrong and inhuman we are treated. But one of the few things I could look forward to is a Bible study from you every 3-4 weeks. Thank you so very much for all you do for me and others!" **Keith**

PRAYER REQUESTS

That Wardens would keep the doors open for religious materials. That Chaplains would recommend our studies. That we could access our students who are taking digital courses on their tablets. [940,000 prisoners have access to our studies in the USA]

An apology and a cheeseburger

"I recall being done wrong by a stranger in the chow hall. After I had eaten, another person offered me a hamburger to take back to my cell. But his friend took it and threw it away! God's Holy Spirit took over me, thanks be to God and my previous preemptive prayers for such occasions. To my surprise and dismay, I kindly said, 'God bless you! Jesus loves you!' as he turned and walked off. Those men were much shorter and smaller than me. I could have hurt both of them. But instead, I said, 'Come back, Jesus loves you! Let's talk about that.'

"Moments later, I felt intense anger. I went back and prayed. God said, 'I felt more anger when humankind crucified my perfect, holy, only begotten Son on a cross. I too, had a right to avenge. I had every right and the power to destroy all mankind, past, present, and future, and justly cast all of you into hell, right then. But I showed mercy, forgiveness, love and grace.'

"Later the next day, I received an apology and a cheeseburger from the offender!!! Hallelujah!" **Charles**

Very beneficial in my journey

"Thank you so much for sending me this course (<u>Born to Win</u>). I really feel like I learned a lot. I really struggle sometimes. I believe a lot of those reasons are because of where I am and how I put myself here. [lingering guilt] The courses you offer, both this and the others I've completed from the EDOVO application (on the Securus tablet), have been very beneficial in my journey with Christ. I just wanted to say, Thank you, and that I am looking forward to the next lesson."

Rob

IN MEMORY OF

Robert Herbst, husband of counselor, Janis, BR088

Gifts from: Carolyn and David Ramsey

Judy and Alan Wharry

| BY THE NUMBERS | | | |
|----------------------------|-------------------|-------------|-----|
| | February 2025 | YTD 2025 | |
| Ministry Statistics | | | _ |
| Enrolled Students | 2,547 | 2,590 | ave |
| Enrollees - Born To Win | 177 | 387 | |
| Professions of Faith | 2 | 4 | |
| Course Books Mailed | 1,563 | 3,043 | |
| Course Exams Completed | 858 | 2,035 | |
| Graduates 72+ units | _ 4 | 8 | |
| Program Gifts and Ex- | | | |
| penses | _ | | |
| Expenses: | \$14,554.43 | \$23,640.85 | |
| Postage: | \$6,114.78 | \$10,376.60 | |
| Courses: | \$4,990.00 | \$7,120.26 | |
| Staff support: | \$1,007.00 | \$1,217.00 | |
| Qtrly Insurance | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | |
| Paper/Envelopes | \$486.70 | \$1,105.90 | |
| Other: | <u>\$1,955.95</u> | \$3,821.09 | |
| Donations: | <u>\$7,457.68</u> | \$24,487.33 | |
| Acct Dividends | \$1,521.17 | \$3,209.01 | |
| NET: | (\$5,575.58) | \$4,055.49 | |

A great work you are doing

"I rejoice in writing and greet you through this letter, and express to you the joy in my life – peace and happiness every time I receive your Bible studies. It is such a great blessing! I know it is not only me to whom you write notes, but I would like to express my deep gratitude for all your support and time you take answering my letters and my studies. You are always in my prayers, and I am absolutely convinced in faith that our Almighty God will bless you in everything you are doing to gain souls and take them out of the claws of hell. It is such a great work you are doing! I know you care for me because I always receive answers from my brother or sister who takes time to answer my letter. Thank you so much for all your care, love, and dedication." **Hector**

Fascinating Bible Facts

Elohim is the Hebrew word for God. It is grammatically plural, meaning gods. When it refers to God, it takes a singular verb. This plural form of the word for one God is often called the plural of majesty (Trinity?). See Psalm 82.1: "Elohim stands in the congregation of the mighty; He judges among the elohim." See Deuteronomy 5:6-7 "I am YAHWEH your Elohim...you shall have no other elohim besides me."