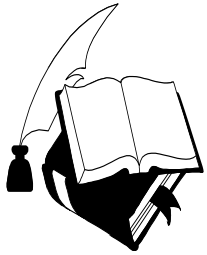


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Dear Friends,

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.*

**THERE'S NEVER BEEN A TIME LIKE THIS;
THERE'S NEVER BEEN A LOVE LIKE HIS.**

This couplet (source unknown) from a pastor's message captured my attention recently. It so aptly expressed my heart-thoughts.

Down the centuries the Church has always reached out to the incarcerated. But with the influence of Chaplain Ray during the 70's and 80's, prison ministry came into the spotlight and since has increased exponentially. About the same time Emmaus correspondence courses were launched into the prisons. As a result, the Harvest Fields of those incarcerated have borne much fruit. This tremendous activity is one evidence that we're in a unique "time like this." Or as Hebrews 10:25 proclaims, "as you see the day approaching."

But why so? Why "stand in the gap?" Why the "watchman on the wall?" Why the "plucking from the fire?" Why the groaning in the Spirit and supplications continuously? Because – there's never been a love like His! Paul confessed, "The love of Christ compels us." (not my love for Him, but His love for me) *I Corinthians 5:14* John explained, "Beloved, if God so loved us, we also ought to love one another." *I John 4:11* And Peter asserts, "But the end of all things is at hand...above all things have fervent love for one another." *I Peter 4:7-8*

Therefore, we need your full support as we press forward. The times demand it; His love compels us to keep going. Of the 110 Texas State prison units, 67 units now have "Faith dorms." Our curriculum has already been approved for the Faith Dorm program at Hutchins State Jail just south of Dallas.



My vision is to contact every chaplain at those State units that have Faith Dorms and introduce them to our program. It's a natural environment for disciplined studies in the Word of God. These folks are already committed, so our completion rate should double. But our cost will increase also.

So your prayers and support are more important than ever. We are mounting no other funding campaign this year, except to carry the Love of the Lord Jesus into the darkened world of the incarcerated. As the Lord would lead you, join us in this grand venture to follow after the Holy Spirit as He convicts the convicts!

Rodger Turley, Director



Prison Handkerchief Art

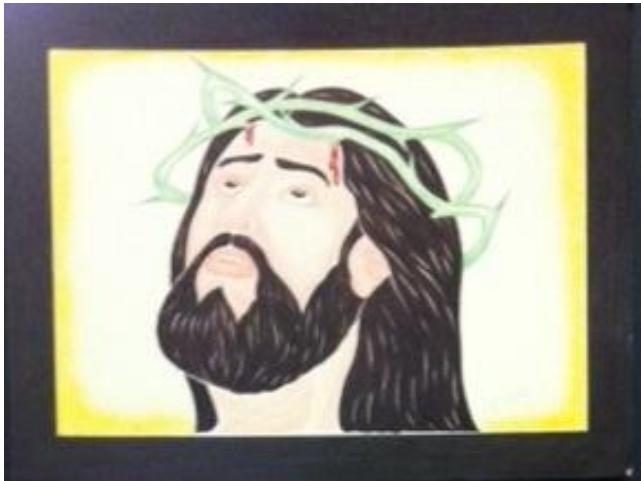
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Prisoners: Their art and their comments

“WPM is awesome and I love all the lessons. My instructor is great and always supplies me with outstanding study material. Thank you all at WPM!”
Michael

“I thoroughly enjoyed this Bible study (*Walkin’ the Walk*) as it touched me and my life in so many areas. It has enlightened me and I look forward to re-reading several of these chapters from time to time to remind me of how I am to conduct myself as a Christian in prison.” **Lisa**

“After three and a half years of your faithful obedience to God, the seed of love is hatching in my heart by the way you’ve demonstrated love towards me. Thank you.” **Juan**

“Thank you for helping me believe I can be a better person than what I am or what I was. I made a mistake in life. Well, I have made several mistakes, but this one impacted me the most. I thought that no one cared about me. Then I started taking these Bible courses. And yes, even though I only took three Emmaus courses and only one Navigator course, I have come to find that Someone does love me, and since the beginning of time, always loved me. But I still don’t know why He loves me so much. It leaves me very puzzled as to why anyone would love someone like me, or any of us for that matter. If you can answer this question for me, that would be great! Thank you so much for everything you are doing.” **Patrick**

“Some people come through the door of our lives and change everything as we know it. Then there are some people who come into our hearts and change our lives for eternity. You are some of those rare individuals who not only changed my life but my heart too!” **Richard**

BY THE NUMBERS		
	APR. '16	APR. '15
Ministry Statistics		
Enrolled Students	8,211	8,008
New Enrollees (<i>Born To Win</i>)	1,071	894
Professions of Faith	97	70
Course Books Mailed	7,506	5,050
Course Exams Completed	5,283	4,590
Student Achievements		
Students Graduated (72 units)	16	11
Operation Finances		
Expenses:	\$26,295.50	\$22,599.22
Postage: \$ 13,614.82		
Courses: \$ 6,858.20		
Other: \$ 5,795.48		
Donations:	\$15,258.58	\$12,641.92
NET:	(\$11,036.92)	(\$9,957.30)

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