



# WRITE-WAY Prison Ministries, Inc.

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## BLESSINGS FROM PRISON

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Dear Friends,

The majority of our courses have a "What Do You Say?" question at the end of each lesson. The student's response helps us know how to counsel and what Scripture would benefit them. In my early days with WPM I remember the question, "What evidence do you see of sin in the world?" Here is my response:

**Locks, Vaults, Passwords, Internet Security;  
Laws, Courts, Judges, Police Officers;  
Jails, Prisons, Guards, Parole, Probation;  
Soldiers, Military vehicles, Weapons, Wars;  
Doctors, Hospitals, Pharmacies, Sickness;  
Death, Funeral Homes, Cemeteries;**

I was overwhelmed with the list, and I could have listed more! Sin pervades our whole culture and restraints are obvious and numerous. Those incarcerated are a small minority of those affected by sin. But they are our responsibility and we have the Remedy. In Christ there is forgiveness and a new creation!

*Rodger Turley, Director*

**"God was in Christ, reconciling the world to Himself, not imputing their trespasses to them."**

**II Corinthians 5:19**

"I have been incarcerated three times now and each time I got out I tried to run my life again, which only ended in failure. It took me 60 years, but finally I surrendered it all to Jesus this time, and I've never felt like this ever before. This time was especially hard; my sister died, then my mother. I've had no one to send me letters or help me financially, and I knew that God had made it that way to open my eyes.

"So it was a list of things that helped me to see that Jesus is the only way. I cried out to God that first night in jail and at that moment I knew I would be OK. I want to get out and tell my testimony and help to lead others to the Lord and not to suffer 60 years first as I did. I love your studies." *Brenda*

**"Our Lord Jesus Christ, Who gave Himself for our sins, that He might deliver us from this present evil age, according to the will of our God and Father." Galatians 1:4**

"What a wonderful study of Joseph! I can't thank you all enough for what you all do for us (me). Through your efforts it is possible for us to become new beings, better beings, God-fearing, God-loving beings. Of all the courses that I take, this is my favorite. The content is perfect for me; then of course, the grading. I can feel the warmth, the caring, the compassion of the grader. You all are angels to us!" *Tommy*

**"In Him we have redemption through His blood, the forgiveness of sins, according to the riches of His grace." Ephesians 1:7**

"May God's love, peace, and rest be upon and within all of your hearts. Know that He is a faithful rewarder to those who do His work. You folks are on this list; may He abundantly bless you for your faithful service. I wanted to say thank you for the opportunity to continue a little further with you. These last three years have been a blessing to me. The studies were insightful; but I also looked forward to the responses given by the instructors. The personal attention given in every study says a lot to me. You're not just running the studies through a grading machine and returning them. You're taking the time to read and respond. So many of the responses were as helpful as the study itself. You folks are a blessing to so many!" *Dale*

### 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

Please pray for all our many volunteers to respond to our students with compassion and wisdom. As you can see from the comments included in this newsletter, our students are greatly encouraged by these spiritual counselors. Ask that volunteers provide appropriate Scripture to release its power and healing to these isolated ones who would then be faithful and grow to maturity.

**“To Him who loved us and washed us from our sins in His own blood.” Revelation 1:5**

### **Thanks to the Lord!**

I give thanks to the Lord for waiting on me,  
Even though I had a passion for sin and dishonesty.  
The world I live in wasn't peaches and cream;  
I lived for today while tomorrow was a dream.

I give thanks to the Lord for making me,  
Allowing me to live though I had no destiny.  
With no sense of direction, I was lost in the wilderness;  
Had a craving for trouble and trickery, I was filled with bitterness.

I give thanks to the Lord for teaching me how to pray,  
To put my worries in His hands as He listened to what I had to say.  
Living on the edge was my daily delight.  
Choices were made – didn't matter if they were wrong or right.

I give thanks to the Lord for giving me a reason and a purpose to love;  
For my heart has been softened, an instance from being pure as a white dove.  
Now I walk in the light and sin has become void.  
I know Who is the Way, the Truth, and the Life!  
And I give thanks to the Lord.

*Noble*

### WPM Statement of Faith is available upon request.

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## BY THE NUMBERS

	<u>June 2019</u>	<u>YTD 2019</u>	
<b><u>Ministry Statistics</u></b>			
Enrolled Students	6,957	6,934	AVG
Enrollees - <i>Born To Win</i>	723	3,746	
Professions of Faith	34	229	
Course Books Mailed	5,083	29,636	
Course Exams Completed	3,172	19,774	
Graduates 72+ units	8	73	
<b><u>Program Gifts and Expenses</u></b>			
Expenses:	\$18,867.43	\$115,211.81	
Postage:	\$6,418.93	\$45,101.44	
Courses:	\$8,629.22	\$47,456.74	
Staff support:	\$425.00	\$4,758.00	
Qtrly Insurance	\$1,080.00	\$2,160.00	
Other:	\$2,314.28	\$15,735.63	
Donations:	\$10,063.71	\$96,974.96	
<b>NET:</b>	<b><u>(\$8,803.72)</u></b>	<b><u>(\$18,236.85)</u></b>	

**“But God demonstrates His own love toward us, in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us.” Romans 5:8**

“I am 48 years old. All my life I have been running from God, from life, from myself. I am new to the Christian life and have accepted Jesus Christ as my Lord and Savior. I totally surrendered my whole life to Him because my ways weren't working. I've been to prison four times and heading back again. I am tired and ready for a new life in Christ. Can you please send me any resources that you guys have available for inmates, as I would like to know more about God our Creator. Please pray for me and my wife, as she is still holding on to me like my God has held onto me all my life.” *Mark*

Greetings and abrazos to all my beloved Brothers in Christ, who have been called and sanctified in God our Father and guarded in Jesus Christ. Mercy and peace and love be multiplied to all of you and may you be guarded in the hope of life eternal. Prison cannot impede the proposals of God, for God by His Spirit gives us liberty.” *Gonzalo*

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