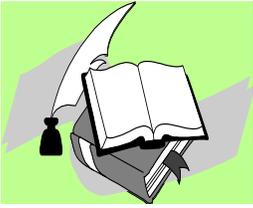


# WRITE-WAY Prison Ministries, Inc.



## BLESSINGS FROM PRISON

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Dear Friends,

One of my favorite passages for sharing with a prisoner is II Corinthians 5:19, "...God was in Christ reconciling the world to Himself, not imputing their trespasses to them..." The state will not drop charges and may keep a record forever. And background checks are a regular part of our culture.

But God says He will not impute trespasses. Further He declares in Isaiah 43:25, "I, even I, am He who blots out your transgressions for My own sake." Hebrews 10:17 quotes Jeremiah 31:34, "Their sins... I will remember no more." That is good news to an offender! The charge is gone and the guilt is gone. And the primary offended Victim, God, is now a Friend forever!

That's a deal worth supporting! And it feels good to do good. You really ought to be involved!

Rodger Turley, Director

### Bible Studies Every Night

"I too am doing God's work while in jail. I am leading a prayer circle and also host communion when I can afford it and Bible studies every night. Since I have been following God's will, 51 men have given their lives to the Lord and I pray for them daily." **Matthew**

### Learn About God's Word

"I encourage others to look for God, so they too can learn about God's word. Please help me pray for our small group that really wants to learn more about him. We pray even for those who don't want nothing to do with God. We pray for you all daily. **Daniel**



### God's Children of "Teachable" Wisdom

"I've come to realize that I was in a 'teachable' frame of mind when completing *Doing Time with Jesus*. I think our ECS writer was also in a 'teachable' state of mind when completing the work. May God continue to be the light of my life in every step as I witness to family and now my cell mate. I see a strong challenge, but God's will in me is stronger!

"When I leave prison, (It is God's will I leave this time.), I'm walking out with a full blown arsenal of the Word and encouraging literature! I will have others pouring rivers of flowing waters of life out of their mouths in witness. Goodness, I have a tear fall on my letter. Thanks, precious Write-Way family."

**Jose**

### God's Voice Calling Out

"I was a man that was dying a little more each and every day in my addiction to meth. Coming to prison allowed me to finally hear God's voice calling out, wanting to save me before it was too late. I answered His call." **Wesley**

### To Know My Lord and Savior

"I'd like to thank all of you for helping me to become a better Christian and able to get to know my Lord and Savior. Just doing your studies has opened my heart and mind and has made me see the light and able to help my Christian brothers here." **Glenn**

**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, post-paid, and volunteer graded.

## It's a Spiritual Battleground

“Yes, I’m saved, but in reality, I’ve been living in spiritual blindness, like Israel when they were lost in the wilderness. I was in that type of wilderness for 20 years. When I was a 15 year old boy I read a book, *Outcry in the Barrio*, written by Freddy Garcia, a heroin addict who gave his life to Jesus Christ. They placed that book in my cell and when I read it, I believed. I prayed something like this: ‘Jesus, I know you died on the cross for me. I’m probably going to die before I turn 18; if I do, please remember me.’”

“I was part of the most violent and deadly era of gang culture. All my friends were getting shot. I just wanted to go to heaven if I died in a drive-by. I was just a kid; I had no clue of fundamental Christianity. All I knew was that Jesus was real and that I might die by a gunshot wound from another gang member. And 20 years later I’m alive, but had close calls.

“The Emmaus Correspondence School is very important to me; it is helping me to grow. I need doctrinal education to equip the evangelical community. There are a lot of heretical views and cults taking over the faith-based Christian prison population. I need literature on Christian doctrine, apologetics, and church history to confront the growing threat of cults. It’s a spiritual battle ground. This is ground zero, the Red Zone, hostile. We who are Christians in prison need all the available knowledge at our disposal so that we can always give a ready answer for the hope that is in us. 90% of my Christian doctrine education has been given to me by ECS. I love you guys! Thank you so much. I need you; we, the Christians in prison, need you!” **Chris**

## In Your Precious Name We Pray

“Lord, please look after all the residents in this place and their families. Look after the officers and their families too. Thank you for your grace and your love. In your precious name we pray, Lord Jesus Christ. Amen.” **Ngoc**

## PRAYER CORNER \*\*\*\*\*

As we enhance the curriculum, please pray for the extra funding needed to bring new titles before our students. And pray for the adjustments needed for the database.

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	<u>APR 2017</u>	<u>APR 2016</u>
<b>Ministry Statistics</b>		
Enrolled Students	8,194	8,211
New Enrollees ( <i>Born To Win</i> )	785	1,071
Professions of Faith	78	97
Course Books Mailed	4,478	7,506
Course Exams Completed	3,212	5,283
Students Graduated (72 units)	17	16
<b>Operation Finances</b>		
Expenses:	\$16,815.97	26,593.23
Postage: \$	8,340.13	
Courses: \$	5,885.87	
Staff support: \$	1,200.00	
Other: \$	1,389.97	
Donations:	<u>\$24,029.56</u>	<u>15,258.58</u>
<b>NET:</b>	\$7,213.59	<b>(\$11,334.65)</b>

**“You shall call His name Jesus, for He will save His people from their sins.” Matthew 1:21**



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