

BLESSINGS FROM PRISON

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

PRAY

Appeal, Ask, Call on the Name, Entreat, Inquire, Invoke, Petition, Request, Seek My Face, Solicit, Supplicate

Charles Spurgeon said, “Prayer is not a hard requirement - it is the natural duty of a creature to its creator, the simplest homage that human need can pay to divine liberality.” **Karl Barth** said this: “To clasp the hands in prayer is the beginning of an uprising against the disorder of the world.” This month we share some of the prayers of our students. They are encouraging because they represent an elemental awakening to spiritual things and most likely, new birth.

Rodger Turley, Director

Santiago R – My wife and baby boy.

William H – My mom, dad, grandmom and the rest of my family. Special prayer for my brother who has a disease that causes his white blood cells to attack his organs and glands. He is in very poor health.

Allen T – Will you pray for my wife and my children, that they all come to salvation and our family be restored here on earth.

Jose G – Prayer for the inmates at Smith Unit and their families.

Michael F – My family - sister and oldest daughter have kidney issues. Some of the officers and other inmates are bullying other inmates.

Brandon K – For the Mechler Unit to be overcome by the Holy Spirit.

Buddy B – Please pray for us in Potter County Jail, for God’s favor and mercy.

Christopher L – Pray for me in my next step into God’s light. Your lessons were an eye-opener and I found Jesus and will praise Him every day. I have been approved for a Faith-Based Dorm.

Christopher C – I ask for help, hear my plea, pray for me; I’m suffering from demonic possession [oppression?]. The enemy attacks my mind, body, and soul constantly – no rest, struggling. I know Jesus loves me and will not forsake me in my time of need.

Michael M – That I can be admitted to a Christian Rehab Home called “The House of Isaiah” in Maybank, TX. I struggle with alcohol and drugs. My prayer is to seek God and remain in His custody doing His will, not my own, the remainder of my days on earth.

Steve R – I would appreciate your prayers for an old man in a most difficult trying time in my life. I found the Bible study on our book cart, which was a blessing in a dry and thirsty land called jail. Praise God!

Latisha H – I have multiple sclerosis. Pray God continues to hold me and I get to my appointments.

Rose M – Please keep my family in your prayers. My brother passed away June 2nd and we are all taking it really hard. Especially me, since I am incarcerated.

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.

“I’m still lost. I haven’t found God yet, or better, He is not ready for me to find Him. I can only be patient and wait.” *Michael B*

“My wife really needs prayer. I know she feels alone and helpless.” *Charles L*

“I am a new-born brother. I have been in prison many times prior to this, but have never turned to the Lord. I lost my mother in December and that changed my life. I truly needed someone. I needed, wanted, desired, and found our Christ! Today I no longer chase the wind, but I walk with God. I have a testimony that has a beautiful ending of being reunited with my family along with eternal life with our Lord.” *Charles W*

“I enjoy reading all the graders’ comments and corrections on my lessons. It is like having a long-distance discussion about God and His people. I am a Levite on my mother’s side, a direct descendant of Moses, Aaron, and Miriam. On my father’s side I descended from Judah. With Torah blessing. (I am the only Jew in this place.)” *Michael S*

BY THE NUMBERS

	May 2023	YTD 2023	
Ministry Statistics			
Enrolled Students	4,174	4,326	avg
Enrollees - <i>Born To Win</i>	339	1,778	
Professions of Faith	7	51	
Course Books Mailed	2,692	14,584	
Course Exams Completed	1,761	9,345	
Graduates 72+ units	11	58	
Program Gifts and Expenses			
Expenses:	\$13,165.85	\$74,891.03	
Postage:	\$5,863.47	\$30,490.86	
Courses:	\$4,509.43	\$24,369.86	
Staff support:	\$710.00	\$4,702.37	
Qtrly Insurance	\$0.00	\$1,451.75	
Paper/Envelopes	\$486.70	\$5,572.13	
Other:	\$1,596.25	\$8,304.06	
Donations:	\$9,875.69	\$75,784.72	
Acct Dividends	\$1,211.39	\$5,140.00	
NET:	(\$2,078.77)	\$6,033.69	

Please pray:

For an introductory packet of materials going out to all State of Texas Chaplains late June.

For the successful completion of loading all Iowa students into our database.

For Emmaus Worldwide as they labor to get our courses on prison tablets across the country.

“First, thank you for these study guides. They are life-savers. I was lost before them. Another inmate recommended them. I killed my friend driving drunk. I was depressed and let addictions take over. I was in a dark place. But in jail I got sober and got God back in my life. Your lessons helped a lot.

“Well, my case is a serious case. Another inmate with the same charge as mine and an expensive lawyer got offered 18 years. I have a court-appointed lawyer and told him I want rehab and probation. He actually laughed at me. He told me, ‘Son, you’re going to have to do some time on this.’ God told me to write my friends and the judge, admitting all. After waiting 16 months for court, my lawyer came to me saying, ‘This looks bad. Why did you admit guilt?’ When he came back from court, he said, ‘I have a sweet-heart deal for you; I got you rehab and probation!’ I almost fainted. That is nothing short of a miracle.

“So, God told me He has plans for me. A friend of mine helps the homeless. He has land and builds tiny homes at Camp Haven, just outside Austin. So, I have a job doing honest work and doing it for God. I now have the most important job a man can have: to round up lost sheep. This atheist camp does not need money; it needs some Jesus! He wants me to show others how He helped me.” *David L*