

# WRITE-WAY Prison Ministries, Inc.

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# **BLESSINGS FROM PRISON**

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# PRISON HEADLINES

"Many approved for parole die stuck in prison"

Texas study shows 42 perished as pandemic further delayed release.

"State prison with no AC to hold detained migrants"

Texas Briscoe Unit to empty in order to hold criminal migrant detainees.

COVID 19 statistics in Texas State prisons as of 6/21

Inmates: 34,715 positive cases

67 active cases

259 deaths

Employees: 11,799 positive cases

189 active cases

48 deaths

#### **OUT OF WACK**

"Thank you for writing to me and checking on me. I have been out of whack since last June with COVID 19 and two trips to the hospital. Through the trials and tribulations, God has been faithful and I recognized His mighty hand in my life. I want to continue my studies. I've been your student on and off since 1994." **Jon** 

#### PRAISE THE LORD!

"I've just led this person to Jesus and need material as simple as you can provide so he can digest it slow and in better understanding. I am happy to say that he is an ex-Buddhist. Praise the Lord!" **Richard** 

## TRULY HELPING ME

"Thank you! This program is truly helping me. I've come closer to God. Before this I was considered a Luciferian (shamefully). But now I am a true-faith Christian. I've accepted the Lord Jesus and got away from the gang-life. God bless you all!!" **Andres** 

## **ENLIGHTENING JOURNEY**

"Thank you for all the study materials you have sent. It has been a wonderful and enlightening journey into the Word of God. I have grown tremendously. May God continue to bless your ministry." **James** 

# Party Time at WPM



Sandy Stanley, second on the right, has been bringing fresh baked goodies to the office every Monday at 3:00 pm for more than a decade. When her mother, a great cook, passed, she started baking to honor her and to alleviate the grief. But she also enjoys this servant labor as unto the Lord for the ministry. It's always a time to relax and have good fellowship. **Thank you, Sandy!** 

#### **OPENED MY EYES**

"I'm writing you in regards to a book I read my second month in county jail. The book was, *What the Bible Teaches*. That particular book opened my eyes to a world I never imagined could be possible. I always tried to read the Bible, but so hard to understand. This book opened my eyes to Jesus! It allowed me to be able to understand who God is and what He's about from the very beginning. I'm 31 years old and clearly understand the Bible!" **Robert** 

# **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.

# PRAYER CORNER

Thank you for praying for us and all these students. In particular, we are seeing a reduced number of exams being returned. It is not clear whether that is due to the COVID 19, the prison mailrooms, or the post office. But we ask prayer for this issue. It affects all of our devoted counselors. Nor do we want a loss of books.

#### 30 YEARS AGO

"Thank you for your wonderful Bible studies. I can't believe you still have my grades from over 30 years ago! I was never able to totally surrender my life to Christ Jesus until now. I thought I could still do a little this and a little that. Oh, how silly. I am not angry being confined this time, because I've never known Him on this personal level. Now we have a real relationship!" Allen

#### **BEAUTIFUL WORK**

"First of all, I want to thank you all for the beautiful work that you do for the Lord. As Scripture says, "How beautiful are the feet of those who bring Good News." [Isaiah 52:7] I have learned a great deal and will continue to learn until I am with the Lord. And I will always give it away to keep it. May the Lord bless your ministry and your souls. Good people!" **Clifton** 

# <u>In Memory:</u>

# William Fry

Beloved counselor for 16 years with BR050, Bethel Church, Houston, TX. Gifts from:

Paula and Barry Berner

**Emily Bradford** 

Don and Sharon Currans

Col. & Mrs. Wayne Kabat (Ret)

Diane Lawrence

Scott and Cordelia Schroer

Elizabeth Simpson

Lynette Thweatt

BY THE NUMBERS		
	MAY 2021	YTD 202

	<b>MAY 2021</b>	<b>YTD 2021</b>	
<b>Ministry Statistics</b>			
Enrolled Students	7,027	7,502	AVG
Enrollees - Born to Win	473	2,781	
Professions of Faith	29	133	
Course Books Mailed	4,090	23,594	
Course Exams Completed	2,745	15,459	
Graduates 72+ units Program Gifts and Ex-	23	66	
penses			
Expenses:	\$16,717.15	\$77,534.39	
Postage:	\$5,268.17	\$26,360.52	
Courses:	\$8,637.61	\$32,521.96	
Staff support:	\$500.00	\$4,773.00	
<b>Qtrly Insurance</b>	\$0.00	\$1,224.50	
Other:	\$2,311.37	<u>\$12,654.41</u>	
Donations:	\$10,130.76	\$70,523.81	
Acct Dividends	\$363.61	\$3,071.11	
Reserves:			
NET:	(\$6,222,78)	(\$3,939,47)	

# A SMALL STUDY GROUP

"I really enjoy this Bible study. I love it so much that I completed *God Is There* overnight. When I am working on my guide here at my home, my disabled mother and my fiancé have started working on it along with me [Released students can continue studies at home]. I read the lesson and questions to them and we all discuss it. This has turned into a small study group here at home. Could it be possible to enroll them also?" [Yes, we enroll spouses, parents, and children of students.] **Tammy** 

## SO GRATEFUL

"I received the study of *Dying to Self* and found it to be an outstanding example of how we Christians should live our lives. Your ministry continues to be an important part of my life as I continue to learn more about God's Word. I am so grateful to you for making these studies available." **Steven** 

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