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# **BLESSINGS FROM PRISON**

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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.

One of the hallmarks of maturing in Christ is comfortable, appropriate communion with our heavenly Father. Are we speaking in our idiom, are we expressing gratefulness, and are we concerned for others.

In several of our studies there are chapters on prayer: Daniel's prayer, Jesus' time with the Father, types of prayer, and hindrances to prayer. In one Navigator booklet, the student is encouraged to write their own prayer following a pattern called ACTS - adoration, confession, thanksgiving, and supplication.

In addition, letters from our students, whether asking a question or stating appreciation, almost always include a prayer request for their parents, for their children, or for their spouse and for those around them. Listen and see if you hear the sounds of growth in love and compassion.

# **Rodger Turley, Director**



"I am sorry for hurting my family and friends and for the deception. Please come into my husband's heart. Please help my sister through her addiction." **Deborah** 

"I praise you, Lord, for your love and mercy, for Christ who died for my sins. Show Floyd your love today. Lead our children back to us." **Debbie** 

"Thank you for being such a loving and understanding God. Give me and my wife freedom to go home so we can be the husband, wife, father, and mother you intended us to be. Watch over all my kids and protect them." **Curtis** 

# PRAYERS OF THE SAINTS

"Thank you, Father, for giving us Life. I adore you. Keep giving me wisdom in learning how to be a better woman of God. Bless all these women no matter what their situation is and I lift up their families." **Brandy** 



"I praise You for You are so worthy. I thank you for giving your son for my sins while I was yet a sinner. I have sinned by having idols in people and things. I stole to participate in my idols. Thank you for sparing my life, giving me another chance through my incarceration.

"I pray that you give the desires of me and my sisters in prison as it lines up with the Word of God. I ask for hedges of protection, increased finances, and traveling mercies for all our family, friends, and loved ones." **Darcy** 

"Thank you so much for this study. I love the book of Proverbs. It totally equips the believer in all areas to know wisdom.

"I find myself praying more and more for wisdom, as my foolishness has cost me too much already! Surrendering to God completely and to His ways alone is the only assurance we have to finding true happiness and joy in this life." **Sandee** 

"Pray for my three kids and family due to the change they have to go through because I'm not home. Pray for their safety and not to give up on their dad." **Raul** 



"Pray for my family, my nephew, my big brothers, and my little brother to finish high school, and my Dad and Mom." **Alberto** 

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# PRAISE AND PETITION

"Please pray for my wife, Shannon, who is on the streets on drugs really bad to the point she is selling her body. I love her enough I can't give up on her. Please pray for God to touch her heart and give her the will and strength to get her life together." Unsigned

"I have a prayer request if it's ok. I find myself being discouraged and feeling alone. I have so many desires when it comes to my walk with God. For example, I am so desperate to have a close encounter with God. I feel so far from him. I desire an intimate relationship with God that is so powerful that I have no desire to go backwards, but to move forward. I feel like I'm going back and forth with the Lord and I don't want to. I love him and I'm tired of breaking his heart and mine also. Please, I need prayer." **Tamica** 

"Satan is always trying to stop the Word and the truth from being heard. But the only fear I have is the fear of God and not man. So if you would please pray for me, that the Lord Jesus Christ strengthens me in all of these areas in my life. And may the Lord bless all of you." **Eric** 

"Proverbs has a lot of wisdom, but I have been experiencing some God-given love. And I want to show back love. I have been praying a lot for my brothers and sisters in Christ and other people. I have been noticing the change in my life. I feel a lot different – old habits passing away and all things becoming new. I don't have a desire for those things anymore. All I want to do is share God's love, and I will until I die." **James** 

"Please pray for me as I enter into the Texas Department of Corrections for the first time and may be there for a long, long time [life]. I know God can and will use me in there as He has in the county jail. I have been so honored to have led 16 men back to Christ or to Christ for the first time!

Praise His name! I have been using the Bible courses to lead others in Bible study everyday for the last eight months. Most of the men signed up for the course as well. Most have already been

transferred or gone home, but I know the seeds were planted in their lives!" **Bradley** 



# **BY THE NUMBERS**

	Sept. '15	Sept. '14		
Ministry Statistics				
Enrolled Students	7,991	7,563		
New Enrollees (Born To Win)	1025	1,069		
Professions of Faith	47	63		
Course Books Mailed	6,408	7,070		
Course Exams Completed	4,384	4,874		
Student Achievements				
Students Graduated (72 units)	9	15		
Operation Finances				
Expenses:	\$17,464.07	\$29,464.76		
Postage: \$10,006.11				
Courses: \$ 3,641.54				
Other: \$ 3,816.42				
Donations:	<u>\$14,404.50</u>	<u>\$33,739.04</u>		
NET:	(\$3,059.57)	\$4,274.28		

The Lord your God is in your midst; He is a warrior who can deliver. He takes great delight in you; He renews you by His love; He shouts for joy over you. Zephaniah 3:17 NET Bible



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