



WRITE-WAY Prison Ministries, Inc.

NEWSLETTER

Dear Friends,

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LONGSUFFERING

One of Paul's prayers for the Church is found in Colossians 1:11. He asked that we may be "*strengthened with all might, according to His glorious power, for all patience and longsuffering with joy.*" Though I had known about Paul's prayers for some time, I never gave much attention to this one until I started working with offenders. I marveled that it takes God's glorious power and might to bring us into patience and longsuffering – with joy. Our nature and will are such that we don't care to wait, we don't care to strive for the "long haul," and we are often critical of others if we don't see immediate change. And joy is often absent!

In this work we sow seed and may not see the fruit. We receive a profession, but may not discern any maturity and growth. We see many students leave prison and then return, asking to once again receive their lessons. But God's hand is not restrained. We must press on with patience, compassion, and mercy. In Scripture Jesus wept and groaned. He had to learn patience as He worked with us. Now we "pass it forward" so that bearing fruit will bring glory and honor to our God and Savior.

Your prayers and your participation are so appreciated.

Rodger Turley, Director

THE FRUIT OF PATIENCE

"I'm a member of several prison studies. They are all spiritual classes. But I want to get into a long term class. When I saw 'five year course' I had to sign up. I see parole in 17 years, June of 2030. I want to learn and serve my Lord and pass that knowledge down to my son. I hope you choose me for your course." **William**

"I am a Texas prison inmate serving an eight year sentence. This is my first, and I must say, my last time to experience prison lifestyle, God willing. I have a long road ahead of me with only four months of my sentence completed.

"I am very new to the Bible and all of its teachings. The short time I have been reading, I find myself wanting more knowledge about the Bible, people in the Bible, and the stories written in it. A fellow inmate gave me your address so that I may request all Bible study courses you

have to offer. I am looking forward to your response."
Robert

"We prisoners have very few good things. I personally am very happy to have these courses and continue to learn about the ministry of our Lord Jesus Christ during His time on earth. Please continue to help me with these beautiful studies." **Felipe** (Spanish courses)

"I have been up and down like the waves of the ocean. My family has been sick or dying. So I just wanted to quit; but I cannot do it. I have been holding on to the *Walkin' The Walk* booklet. It was a very good lesson. It tells me not to let my discouragement cause me to surrender my studies because I have the greatest weapon and that is prayer and hope. Page 76 in this booklet has been very helpful. So no matter what, just keep the Word of God coming." **Manuel**

"On the sixth of May the immigration judge assigned to my case confirmed deportation. I have no fear on going back to a country I have not visited in 41 years [Argentina]. I know that the Lord is with me at all times, and I must tell you, that what these great lessons have taught me, I teach others. The glory be to God that I now can stand in front of a group of men and teach them what the Word of God teaches! Thank you Write-Way! May I continue to participate in this course from Argentina?" **Horacio** (ECS has 150 coordinators in 100 languages.)

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GIFTS OF REMEMBRANCE

Memorial gift for:

Dallas Fireman, Stanley Wilson, son of Nell Wilson, Branch 074 Manager

By Lee and Bob Doss

MORE FRUIT OF PATIENCE

“Thank you for having me in your family circle. I really appreciate it. It gives me hope and great pleasure, that even though we are in prison, there are people like you who are willing to show you care for us and hold no prejudices against us. Thank you and may God bless all of you.” **Davie**

“I have been selected to join a faith-based dorm or “God pod” for a year. The workload here is quite a bit to get used to. This is also the reason I have recently fallen behind in my Write-Way course work. Thank you for your concern. Your courses are important to me and give me great joy to study. Their insight has helped me in so many ways. Thank you for this service you provide to souls like me who need the inspiration you provide.” **Kris**

“I never received this course in Denton County Jail. I am missing you big time! I miss my studies. Please get me back on track, ASAP. Completing Write-Way is my goal. I’m not a quitter; I am a soldier of Christ. I love you folks. God bless you all.” **Robert**

“Joy! God is showing me that joy is real. I’ve been dealing with anger and depression the last two years. But recently God is bringing more joy into my life. Now I’m getting more compliments in my walk with Christ than ever. Thank God! And thank you all also. This study [*Tell Me The Story Of Jesus*] has been very important to my life. Thank God for your blessing.”

Judy

“Thank you for taking time to grade these lessons! You are providing a greater service for the Lord than you may even comprehend. These studies are invaluable to me as I learn about my Savior and fill my time seeking His truths instead of following past sinful pursuits. God bless you mightily. **Vern**

“I would like to thank you for your dedication to us prisoners. This course has really been rehabilitation for me. I feel so good after reading and doing the program booklets. I’m really rehabilitating myself through the help of Write-Way Ministries. *Doing Time With Jesus* taught me what to expect when I am released and how to avoid it all. Wow! I love it so!” **Willie**

“Not long ago I thought money was everything. I sold cars, so nice clothes and fancy cars were my thing. Plus I always had attractive women with me. I couldn’t wait to get out of work, get into my shiny new car with my expensive suites, and go valet park at one of the five casinos down the road from my work. I wanted everyone to see me. Now I have been humbled by God. Things and wealth on this earth are not important, but the riches in heaven are eternal. I see things for what they are now. I no longer try to please man, but work as a servant for the Lord.”

William

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Ministry Statistics	JUNE
Enrolled Students	7,014
New Enrollees (<i>Born To Win</i>)	648
Professions of Faith	39
Course Books Mailed	5,130
Course Exams Completed	3,654

Student Achievements	JUNE
Curriculum Completed	6

Operation Finances	JUNE
Funds Budgeted:	\$14,166.67
Funds Received:	\$13,253.23
Funds Expended:	\$14,274.90
Postage:	\$5,948.74
Courses:	\$4,706.85
Printing:	\$839.23
Funded Salary:	\$675.27
Other:	\$2,114.81
Net MTD:	(\$1,021.67)
Net YTD:	(\$6,175.81)

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