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# **BLESSINGS FROM PRISON**

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Dear Friends,

#### Fund a Course – Build a Life

WPM's curriculum is made up of courses in both English and Spanish. Emmaus courses and Navigator courses are used in each. For eight years we printed the Navigator courses in-house at a low cost. In March 2014 the right to print them ceased. Now Tyndale House in conjunction Navigator Press will print these booklets strictly for prison use. Our goal is to raise \$10,000 to obtain enough courses to last us about two years, a quantity appropriate for a special printing.

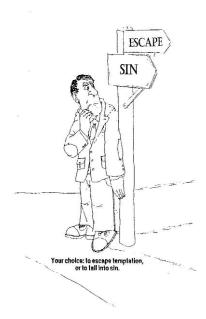
We know that God's Word and the Holy Spirit work together to change lives. Would you **"Fund a Course and Build a Life"?** Ask God to show you what He would like you to do to make sure we have the privilege of allowing our students to study them.

The Emmaus and Navigator courses are valuable and complement each other in helping students study the Word of God. Emmaus courses utilize a study book with multiple choice exams for students to answer. Navigator courses are designed to teach the student to search out answers directly from the Scripture itself. Thus they learn to understand the riches of God's Word for themselves.

Here we list the English Navigator courses with a brief description of contents. They are interspersed with Emmaus courses in the beginning part of our curriculum as students concentrate on salvation and discipleship issues. A student comment is given in italic font after the course name and description.

**Knowing Jesus Christ** – **(N1)** Students look up Scriptures which show Christ's humanity, His deity, and His work which provides eternal life. At the end of the lesson students are given an opportunity to receive Christ as Savior.

"Jesus went to his death voluntarily and God loved Him for it and that if He would not have arose from the dead our faith would be useless and we would be guilty of our sin. It lets me know that our God is full of love and mercy." Angel **Lessons on Assurance** - **(LOA)** Students look up Scriptures that provide assurance in five areas: Assurance of Salvation, Assurance of Answered Prayer, Assurance of Victory, Assurance of Forgiveness, and Assurance of Guidance.



#### What do you think God's way of escape is?

"A temptation that I need victory over is using drugs. To gain victory I need to pray, pray, pray, not be around the people I used to be with, and to trust God to meet my needs by studying His word and staying close to Him." Larry I Corinthians 10:13

**Beginning a New Life** – (N2) Students learn about their New Life in Christ, the Lordship of Christ, the Devotional Life, and the importance of Witnessing for Christ. At the end of this study students write out their own story of what their life was like *Before Trusting Christ, How They Trusted Christ,* and *Since They Have Trusted Christ.* After looking up Scripture about safeguards to overcome frequent temptations a student wrote:

> "I need to remember God's Word and walk in His ways, don't listen to evil, and don't be tempted by my own evil desires." Vick

<u>Talking With Christ</u> – (N3) Four topics are included in this study – The Church, What is the Bible, God's Word in your Life, and Principles of Prayer.

 "I now understand the layout of the OT and the NT and how they work together to provide me an instruction book for life and how I can get to know and understand God. The section on prayer was so helpful. Thank you Write-Way." Jessica

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<u>Growing as a Christian</u> - (N4) Five topics are studied in this book: Maturing in Christ, Demonstrating Christ, Developing Integrity, Growing in Discipleship, and Obedience and Blessing.

 "I've never been obedient to God. I've lived a nonworking, frivolous, drug-addicted, crazy life. How I have such blessing from the Lord I'll never understand! But I do know I will work hard on obedience to Him, and once I am in a position to work hard and help others, I will do it to the truest and best that I can." Kelly

**Developing Your Faith** - **(N5)** Students investigate these five areas: Who is God, The Holy Spirit, Know Your Enemy, Our Conflict with Sin, and the Return of Christ.

"Satan is a liar, deceiver, and murderer. He is my enemy. I now understand some of the ways he works against me and that Christ defeated his power over death and that He did it 'in the flesh'." James

<u>Serving Others</u> - (N6) This study shows students how to Help Others Find Christ, How to Follow-up, Power in Prayer, Scriptural Giving, and World Vision.

 "I would like to witness to my wife, children, Charles, Jim, my cellmate, and others who don't know Jesus. I will tell them how Jesus has worked in my life and have some Scriptures for them. I will pray for and with them and get them into Bible studies. I'm praying my changed life will be an example for them so that they will listen to me." Reginald

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- **Cliff Adams**, Branch 050 Manager in Houston, from Larry and Rebecca Brisendine Sharon Currans
- Jim Hickernell, grader in Houston Branch 050, from Sharon Currans
- Gary Sheets, husband of Sylvia Sheets, Branch 026, from Sylvia Sheets
- Irene Hoover, mother of Nancy Messer, who opened mail in our office for 20 years, from Lee and Chris Cappielo

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Ministry Statistics				
Enrolled Students	7,173			
New Enrollees (Born To Win)	1,133			
Professions of Faith	69			
Course Books Mailed	7,146			
Course Exams Completed	4,678			
Student Achievements				
Curriculum Completed	7			
Operation Finances				
Funds Budgeted:	\$14,166.67			
Funds Received:	\$19,114.90			
Funds Expended:	\$20,124.58			
Postage:	\$10,258.25			
Courses:	\$3,665.61			
Printing:	\$1,077.25			
Funded Salary:	\$1,058.20			
Other:	\$4,065.27	**		
Net MTD:	(\$1,009.68)			
YTD Overage:	(\$30,380.01)			
YTD From Reserve:	\$29,400.00			
Net YTD:	(\$980.11)			

<sup>\*\*</sup> includes Qtrly taxes, repairs

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