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Join us for prison letter answering on the fourth Tuesday evening of the month at IMMANUEL FELLOWSHIP CHURCH 3533 East Tolbert Road, Wooster, Ohio

To help provide Bibles, concordances, and Bible courses for those in prison, your support would be greatly appreciated. See the enclosed envelope or send your gift to: PO Box 135 / Fredericksburg, OH 44627

IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO BECOME MORE INVOLVED WITH THE PRISON MINISTRY, FEEL FREE TO CONTACT US.

Financial Report

June 30, 2024

Balance 03/31/2024	\$96,308.07
INCOME	42,597.00
Donations	39,202.00
Church Donations	3,395.00
EXPENSES	(16,890.80)
Literature	7,899.54
Supplies	797.04
Postage	6,549.22
Outside Help	1,645.00
Gifts-in-Kind	22,016.00
450 Strong's Concordances	2,898.00
750 Thinline Reference Bibles	9,750.00
200 Large Print Personal Size Bibles	1,800.00
Miscellaneous Tracts	400.00
512 Spanish Bibles	7,168.00
Balance 6/30/2024	\$122,014.27

Literature sent

April 1 - June 30, 2024

Bibles	228
Concordances	181
Bible Atlas	5
Bible Dictionaries.....	41
Study Courses.....	387
Spanish Bibles	214
Spanish Bible Dictionaries.....	29
Loaves & Fishes Magazine	38
A Life Redeemed - Book	19
A Good Different - Book	8
When Others Make Life Difficult - Book.....	7
Marriage Courses.....	8
Letters Answered	719
Inmate Newsletters.....	1,204

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Christian Fellowship PRISON MINISTRIES

Reaching the bound to free their souls by the power of Christ

2024 Second Quarter Report

DEAR SUPPORTERS...

"But the path of the just is as the shining light..."

PROVERBS 4:18A



DEAR SUPPORTERS - PAGE 1

The first laser was built in 1960 by Theodore Maiman. The technology of laser beams continues to advance as time goes on. I remember when I was a little boy, we were told to never shine a laser pointer up at flying aircraft. I can't clearly remember the reason why we weren't supposed to, but those instructions remain fixed in my mind. Laser pointers were fascinating and very intriguing in the hands of a little boy. The problem was, we didn't get our hands on one very often.

That fascination must still be true today because I have seen those bright red beams bouncing off of humans and unsuspecting objects numerous times at family gatherings.

Upon doing a little more research, I discovered that pointing a laser at an aircraft can be hazardous to airline pilots, and has resulted in arrests, trials, and jail sentences. There are four primary concerns for the pilot: distraction and startling, glare and disruption, temporary flash blindness, and eye damage. The biggest concern would be during takeoff or landing.

As a general rule, green lasers are roughly 7 times brighter than any other laser color at the same output power. It really is astounding how far these little laser pointers are visible. A standard 200mw green laser can be seen from about 10 miles away. The airlines typically don't fly higher than 6.8 miles high, and to think that one of those little laser pointers could be seen from that far away is remarkable to say the least. The "Gravitas" is the world's strongest green laser at 4,000mw and is visible for more than 30 miles! I could have it shipped to my doorstep for \$800, but I'm afraid it would be a too dangerous to be a toy! It is capable of popping balloons, cutting electrical tape, and etching wood, and I'm sure it would cause serious eye damage.

"Is our laser beam pointing toward the celestial city...?"

There is a verse in Proverbs 4:18 that says, "But the path of the just is as the shining light, that shineth more and more unto the perfect day." I would like to compare this shining light of the path of the just to a laser beam. Laser beams always point straight and true. That's what we use to make sure our foundations are perfectly level. Builders, cabinet installers, and excavators all use lasers to make sure they are staying perfectly straight and level. Do the people that are observing our lives see a clear, straight-shooting light and do they know which way we are headed? Is the light in our lives somewhat obscured by selfishness or pride? Is our laser beam pointing toward the celestial city, piercing through the darkness, shining brighter and brighter the farther we go?

We are grateful for the opportunity to touch people's lives in prison. Thank you to all the volunteers who help to answer all of the letters, and thank you to those who send money so that we can buy the supplies we need. Thank you for praying for us. May God help all of us to let our little light shine, piercing through the darkness, and guiding others along the way.

Blessings to you, James Martin



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"If the Son therefore shall make you free, ye shall be free indeed."

INMATE TESTIMONIES



FROM DEVIL WORSHIP TO CHRIST

I have been in prison for over twenty years. A couple years back I got frustrated and hurt by some fellow Christians and family. My wife went through something similar. I decided to be rebellious and then somehow practically overnight I became a Satanist on the Draconian Path. Sadly, my wife followed me as she said I was her spiritual leader and she'd follow me because she loved me.

We had a custom Ouija Board with our blood and hair burnt into it at a black magic shop. Very shortly after, my wife became a medium and we would summon up demons and they would possess her and I would speak to them through the prison phones. We took off as we did many blood rituals, etc. And I was invoking more and more powerful demons. I felt on top of life, desires were being fulfilled left and right. We did very detestable things against God and were brainwashed that Christians and God were our enemies and responsible for spiritual attacks. Many people were praying for us.

I lost everything except my wife. She began using crystal balls, etc. which demons would use through her. Many people thought we were crazy and making this stuff up. Sadly, we weren't. My wife had a heart attack and got a severe infection. I would call and through the phone demons would laugh and say, "You'll never see her again", "She's going to die", etc. They wouldn't let me talk to her.

Everything got really bad for me, I did every spell, and incantation, etc. and it just got worse. I didn't know it but my wife was laying there dying and she said afterwards, "Michael I am not crazy, I physically felt God come inside my heart and heal me and peace filled me. I called on Jesus and He saved me." She told me that later on.

I was still calling out to Satan to help her. One night in desperation, I called on the name of Jesus, repented, renounced Satan and asked Jesus to come into my heart. A joy came to my heart. For several months me and my wife were under heavy demonic attack and experienced supernatural manifestations of demons, etc. I would rebuke them in the name of the Lord. I would plead the blood of Jesus, speak out His Word, and sing hymns and praise songs. Sometimes the battle would be quick, but stronger demons would take hours. I literally got to see and experience Jesus Christ's protection for me and my wife—He fulfill His promises!

It took four or five months of intense demonic attacks. This made us cling tighter and tighter to Jesus. Someone gave me a Bible and I consumed it, knowing it was a life and death matter. Jesus Christ is my Savior, my Protector, my Healer, and Lord. My wife is growing too, it was the most life changing thing ever and I know that I know Jesus Christ is the King of Kings, Lord of Lords, and is more real than I could ever imagine. I love Jesus Christ! Praise Him!

M.R., Abilene, TX

HELLO, MY NAME IS JOHN.

I am a fairly new member of the Mennonite community. I have been a life-long Christian, and I'm trying hard to pursue the [true] faith every day. I lost my way for a short time, but I've changed my life for the better and I'm trying to spread the good word as much as possible. Unfortunately, I'm the only Mennonite on this compound and probably one of very few in Florida at all.

If possible, could y'all send some literature for me to study? We didn't have anything in our chapel or regular library about Mennonites or Amish. I grew up around a lot of Amish, but I'm trying to further my education as much as possible. I read my Bible, the Daily Bread, and Daily Devotions, but I need to learn as much as possible before I get out.

I will be relocating to Readyville TN when I get out, which is a small town near Woodbury TN. My current E.O.S. is May of 2027, but [I potentially will be released] in December of 2026.

My mama has a wonderful homestead with turkeys, chickens, and a large garden. I plan to help them farm when I get out, plus start my contracting business.

I grew up on a farm, so I'm used to the life style and hard work. After leaving the army, I was lost and struggled to find a new calling and purpose in life. The Lord spoke to me and I knew being a Mennonite was my calling.

I have started a small prayer group and Bible study, hoping to bring more people into the Lord's light and grace. If possible, your help will be greatly appreciated! I'm also hoping y'all can help me find a point of contact for a community near my mama's so I can meet more Mennonites to worship with and live near. Thank you so much for your time and I look forward to hearing from you! God bless.

Sincerely, brother John M., Panama City, FL

HEY Y'ALL,

I hope all of you are well and blessed. I'm writing you for a few reasons. First of all, to say thank you for the King James Bible I asked for several months ago. I have been putting it to good use and can hardly put it down. So once again, thank you so much for helping me with my relationship with our Father in Heaven... [who is] our God. Over the past year I've watched God do so much in my life, it's been awesome. His wonderful works are amazing to me.

Secondly, if you can help me, I would like to continue my studies. In order to do that [I'm needing] a Strongs Concordance. I truly think this will help me in all my understanding of His Words, etc. Of course, this is if the resources are available. I don't have anyone that will help me, so I'm asking you if it is possible. [If so,] I would be grateful, but if not that's OK too... I'm still grateful for all you do for God's children.

Let us be the salt and light of the earth!

Thank you so much. Sincerely with much gratitude, respect, peace, and love, your brother Randy J., DeFuniak Springs, FL

P.S. Prison Rules: No hard cover books; New or used is okay.