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Join us for prison letter answering **on the fourth Tuesday evening of the month** at
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 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

March 31, 2025

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| Balance 12/31/2024 | \$95,634.90 |
| INCOME | 28,873.00 |
| Donations | 26,828.00 |
| Church Donations | 2,045.00 |
| EXPENSES | (24,050.06) |
| Literature | 14,308.32 |
| Supplies | 1,029.81 |
| Postage | 7,220.96 |
| Outside Help | 1,455.00 |
| Gifts-in-Kind | 5,152.00 |
| 800 Strong's Concordances | 5,152.00 |
| Balance 3/31/2025 | \$100,457.84 |

Literature sent

January 1 - March 31, 2025

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| Bibles | 303 |
| Concordances | 186 |
| Bible Atlas..... | 9 |
| Bible Dictionaries..... | 77 |
| Study Courses | 308 |
| Spanish Bibles..... | 326 |
| Spanish Bible Dictionaries | 50 |
| Loaves & Fishes Magazine..... | 17 |
| A Life Redeemed - Book..... | 3 |
| A Good Different - Book..... | 35 |
| Bread for the Winter - Book | 35 |
| A Small Price to Pay - Book..... | 18 |
| They Would Not Be Moved - Book..... | 12 |
| They Would Not Be Silent - Book..... | 4 |
| Finding My Father (Spanish & English Books) | 46 |
| When Others Make Life Difficult - Book | 4 |
| Marriage Courses | 5 |
| Letters Answered..... | 924 |
| Inmate Newsletters..... | 1,104 |

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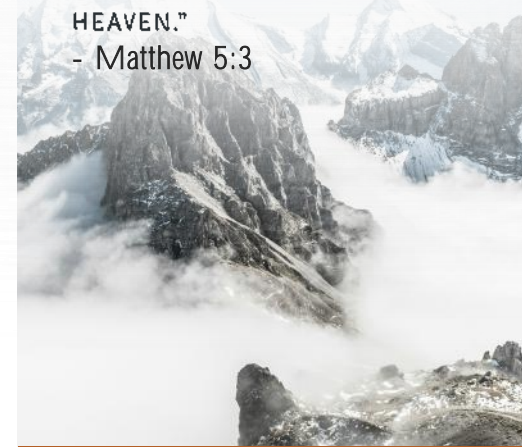
Reaching the bound to free their souls by the power of Christ

2025 First Quarter Report

"BLESSED ARE THE
 Poor in Spirit,

FOR THEIRS IS THE KINGDOM OF
 HEAVEN."

- Matthew 5:3



DEAR SUPPORTERS - PAGE 1

Dear Supporters...

Someone once asked evangelist Billy Graham, "How can being poor in spirit be a blessing?" He replied, "No one is more pathetic than the person who is in great need and is not aware of it! If we are to be poor in spirit, it means being conscious of our constant dependence on God."

This "poor in spirit" attitude is just as necessary today as it was in Jesus' day. Jesus said in Matthew 5:3, "Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven." In our society today, many people claim they don't need God. Why would they, when they have money and pleasure at their fingertips? But when calamity strikes or death comes knocking at their door, all those temporary props are knocked out from under their feet—and they fall flat on their face.

Many of the inmates have experienced a measure of that. They have come to the end of their rope and realized their need for something far greater than themselves. They are looking for hope, for forgiveness, and for real answers to life's biggest questions.

*"Many say they
 don't need God."*

We know where to find those answers! The Bible clearly tells us where to go and what to do. It points us to Jesus Christ, the only true source of life and hope. And the wonderful thing is, this same message is not just for those behind bars—it is for each one of us, every day of our lives. No matter how much we may have or how secure we may feel, we are all dependent on God whether we realize it or not.

I count it a privilege to help these individuals receive Bibles and other literature that point them to the truth. We receive many requests for Spanish and English Bibles, and have also had some requests for Portuguese, Arabic, Farsi, and Romanian.

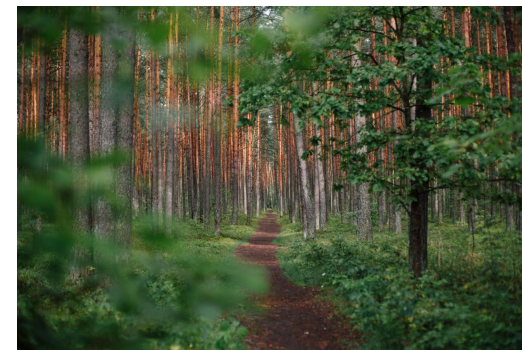
All of us need God, even those who aren't aware of it!

Thank you once again for your support and interest in the prison ministry. We want to continue sharing the Good News with everyone we meet.

Blessings to you, —James Martin



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"If the Son therefore shall make you free, ye shall be free indeed." John 8:36

Inmate Testimonies



To all in Jesus' name,

Thank you for your support in my journey. It was a great blessing to receive your letter. We need love and support so we can share God's word and bless others like us.

It was revealed to me in April 2023 that my mission from God is to preach and teach His Word. I'm here now, but when I get home, I believe I will have prospered so much, even though I've been locked up. I've grown in every area of my life – friends, family, and loved ones.

A great example of this is Joseph in Genesis 39:23. My jail preacher sent that verse for me to read on my way to prison, and through reading God's word and praying, I realized something: we are not God's problem as drug addicts, but His solution to bring others to the cross and help them know they are worth God's love and forgiveness.

I thank Jesus for taking the cross for me so that I could have a second chance to do what He created me to do. I can't wait to see where this journey leads.

I am grateful to be able to tell my rescue story and teach God's Word. It's amazing how He works things together when we surrender to Jesus.

A "Thank You" Gift from an Inmate:

Thank you for helping me in my study of God's Word so I may be a witness of all He has to offer.

P.S.

Thank you for sending a list of the stuff you offer. I read the Word and pray every day. Getting to know and understand God's Word and learning in order to teach others is my goal. I don't always get the message right away, so I would like to get a copy of the Strong's Concordance and the Student Dictionary. I believe it would help me understand things better so I could pass the message to others.

Thank you,
Your friend in Christ,
Patrich, Branchville IN



Hello Brothers & Sisters in Christ:
I pray that goodness and beauty fills your heart, vision, and households.

It is a pleasant enough morning as I write this. It is no one's intention this morning that many of us here in the Polunsky Unit should be in good spirits and mindset. The prison administration has mandated that if one person violates a rule, the whole living area suffers consequences. This will cater to the violence many of us are combating against. At this moment I am on a lockdown that the living area is on due to the actions of a few. However, in spite of the spirit of oppression I, and many of us are well. The spirit of community and brotherhood is prevailing.

It is very encouraging this morning to have seen men sharing food with others that they don't normally interact with... even with those that have offended who are now remorseful, and are a part of the resolution to the mandate.

Someone might say the method has worked, but some of us know that injustice can not bring about justice.

I think of the man who has lived according to the Word and has done what is right in the eyes of God and men. He is an excellent example of righteous living, yet will not get to visit with his mother who is traveling from a far place to see him. There is no way to stop her, as there is supposed to be no phones or e-messages. So this man's mother will burn up resources to get here and not see her son.

Yet attitudes are overall well here, and we eagerly await the remaining 4 days of the [lockdown]. Our "Celebrate Recovery Group" will double down it's efforts.

Our volunteer has not coordinated efforts with you all yet for the requested dictionaries, as he has been busy, but after [the lockdown is lifted], we'll try again. As for now, defining these "Recovery" terms is effectively lessening the possibility of our plans becoming useless slogans.

Please pray for us here, that Christians will use these times as an opportunity to show the love and true nature of Christ.

Until next time, Peace, Love, and Joy to you all,
Humbly, James J.
Livingston, TX

This is the 79th letter we received from this inmate...

