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Dear Friends,

Good news from a far country. America's jails and prisons are finally opening for us to re-enter after the long lockdown, as reflected in our **PRISON & JAIL REPORT** below.

Prison Bible School continues to grow, and is still **THE ONLY ONE**. We have many Bible colleges across 21 states and climbing, with almost 4,000 students and counting. Our repeat offender rate was 1.7% last year for our graduates. This has never exceeded 2%. Remember, the national average is 85%.

I was recently in a restaurant in Troy, Alabama waiting, along with others, for my to-go order. An older man in poor health was making casual conversation with me. After a short while, he asked me my occupation (Luke 19:13). I took the occasion to offer him a few verses of Scripture, seeing he was near death (Heb. 9:27). When I told the older gentleman I was a prison preacher, it caught the attention of a young man named Corey and his wife (both noticeably tattooed up) who were with their child. Corey J. inquired whether I had ever preached in Holmes Prison (Florida), from which he was recently released. Of course, our southern team has been ministering there since 1990, save the last few years. Corey was gloriously saved in that prison just last year and going faithfully to one of my supporting churches near there. He was elated to enroll in Prison Bible School after the fact, and so are we.

PRISON & JAIL REPORT: Calhoun C.J. – **33 saved (3 of these were women)**. Bledsoe County C.C, TN – **2 saved**. Butler C.J., OH – **5 saved**. Northeast C.C., TN – **1 saved**.

A soldier for Christ,

Dr. Dave Turner,
Director

CALHOUN COUNTY JAIL TESTIMONIES:

I just would like to thank you for coming to the yellow section and spreading the Word! It put new fire and purpose back into my life, and I rededicated my life back to the Lord. You helped usher in a new joy to, not only myself, but a lot of men here. May God continue to bless you on your journey. I am very excited about the Bible college courses!!!

-Jeff B.

I prayed with you today and you told me to write down what I asked God for. I prayed from the center of my heart for understanding. I do believe His Son died for me. I want that Spirit inside of me. When I get out, I will attend church regularly. Thank you so much for your time.

-Freddie C.

Today I had asked the Lord to come into my life. I also asked Him for forgiveness for my sins and to put me back on the right path. I want to give Him my full attention. I can't wait to receive my first book you told me about.

-DeOntae W.

PRISON BIBLE SCHOOL STUDENT TESTIMONIES:

Basic Training for Christian Soldiers

Thank you, this was very helpful for me in my journey to get right with the Lord. Forever blessed and grateful for your time and help!

-Jerry B.

The Turn

I like how the 4 stages were pinpointed here. It gives a clear transition and shows the growth during the process of "the turn". Very enlightening material. Thanks for the Bible study, it helps a lot. Praise God! I have never thought about "the turn" this way. It has made me think more about how I've been living my life. Thankfully, we have the wonderful, forgiving, true God Who made a way that we could be saved through His Son, Jesus Christ. Thanks, praise God!!!

-Robert M.

The Narrow Place

I really enjoyed this study. As all of them, they will be for me to share with others. It's a very good study, especially considering my circumstances. It's also in line with the wave of the Holy Spirit flowing here. Looking forward to the next one, thanks. Thank You, Jesus, Amen.

-Justin H.

First Fruits

This study taught me to keep God first in my life, show your meekness, stay a soul winner, have mercy on your brother and let God take control.

-Stephen D.