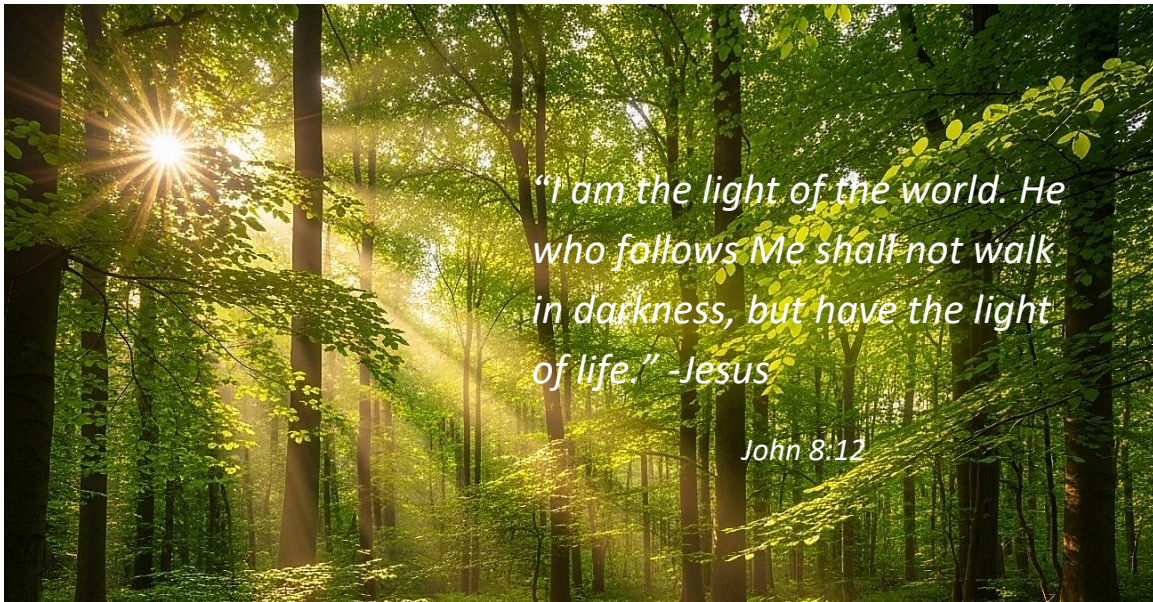


Set Free Prison Ministries

Since 1971

Rehabilitation by Regeneration

If the Son sets you free, you will be free indeed. (John 8:36)



Dear Friends,

Thank you for your prayers, loving generosity, and your heart to reach those behind prison walls for our Lord Jesus Christ.

We are praising God for His unwavering faithfulness. This September we entered our 55th year of full-time prison ministry!

We are rejoicing in the mighty power of the Gospel. Scores of inmates continue to open their hearts to the heaven-sent Savior. They are now children of God and have **been set free from the penalty of sin** (John 8:36; Romans 6:23).

Presently they are being **set free from the power of sin**. They are experiencing new victory over sin through the indwelling presence of the Holy Spirit.

He not only illuminates God's Word but also empowers and enables them to live in a new way—one that brings glory to the Lord, Who purchased them with His precious blood (1 Corinthians 6:19–20; 2 Corinthians 5:17). This is a daily journey for each of us (Galatians 5:16–26).

In the future, we all look forward to that glorious day, when we will be completely **set free from the very presence of sin**. That will happen when we see Him face-to-face. We will be like Him—never again to sin or grieve His tender heart in thought, word, or deed. What a wonderful day - and forever - that will be (1 John 3:2; Revelation 21:1–5).

To date, 1,037 inmates have made professions of faith while completing their Bible courses!

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This is 100% the work of the Lord, and to Him be all the glory. We, along with the angels in heaven, rejoice over every sinner who repents and opens their heart to the Savior. The bottom line is this: where sin abounds, grace abounds much more (Romans 5:20). The prison mission field is truly white unto harvest (John 4:35-36).

We at Set Free, continue to minister to over 6,000 inmates every month. During the first eight months of this year, we averaged 825 new enrollments per month. But, this past September, We wonderfully received 1,093 new enrollments! This is an increase of 268 over the previous monthly average. We took a major step of faith by sending out extra prepaid enrollment cards to our active students, encouraging them to give to other inmates.

Thank you for *POSSIBLE.* making this ministry

Last month, we received Bible study requests from 1,093 inmates across the United States. Thanks to your faithful prayers and generous support, each one of these requests has been filled. Please continue to pray for their salvation. May the seeds of God's Word take root in their hearts and bear lasting fruit for His glory.



This also gave them additional opportunities to share the Gospel. All new requests were promptly processed. Each received a free Bible course along with other excellent materials which make the Gospel crystal clear.

Interestingly, 155 of these requests were from Hispanic inmates, many of whom are soon to be deported. The vast majority are devastated, fearful, and without God and hope. Our goal in the coming months is to reach as many as possible with the Gospel - ***so that when they return to their country of origin, they have been born again to a living hope, with a new citizenship, and a passport to heaven (1 Peter 1:3 and 19-20).***

Please pray for us - that the Lord would give us wisdom, guide, favor and opportunities to share the Gospel to those in tightly closed incarceration centers.

It's very clear that there is an increasing spiritual hunger, growing behind prison walls. What is especially great is that each inmate has personally reached out to Set Free for spiritual help.

Where there is no vision, the people perish.... Proverbs 29:18

All are seeking God, forgiveness, inner peace, life's meaning, victory over sins and spiritual help to change the painful direction of their lives.

The Lord said, we are not only to go into all the world and preach the Gospel, but also to make disciples. This too, has been our all-consuming desire for over five decades (Mark 16:15; Matthew 28:19-20).

To make this happen, we continue to offer an extensive and excellent Bible study curriculum in both English and in Spanish. Along with the studies, we send a New Testament study Bible that clearly presents the message of salvation and is filled with challenging personal applications. The last two-thirds of our curriculum consists of Christian growth courses – covering doctrine, discipleship, and evangelism, and more. Everything we offer is completely free of charge, including mailing and return postage.

I never get tired of saying. **“Set Free is the Lord's ministry. Every day that we operate a 100% free ministry to the destitute, is a miracle of the Lord's provision through the loving generosity of His wonderful people.”**

Words fail to express our heartfelt gratitude for your prayers and faithful financial support. Many of you have partnered with Set Free for many decades -through prayer, service, or giving. Please know how much we appreciate you. **Our ongoing commitment to you is to make every dollar count for the glory of the Lord in furthering the Gospel.**

Hundreds continue to have their spiritual eyes opened, turning from darkness to light and from the power of Satan to God, so that they may receive forgiveness of sins and an inheritance among those who are sanctified by faith in Christ (Acts 26:18).

Thank you for your partnership in the Great Commission and the furtherance of the Gospel. May our soon-coming, wonderful Lord and Savior continue to bless you and your loved ones, abundantly providing for your every need. We at Set Free greatly appreciate you and are truly thankful to the Lord for you!

Because He lives

Phil Wagner
Philippians 4:19
Revelation 22:12-13



Every month, we receive hundreds of completed introductory Bible study courses from new students all across the United States.

Once received, our Set Free staff enters each course into our computer system. Then, we promptly assign the second course, along with additional Gospel booklets, to be mailed to the student.

The inmate's first completed course is then sent to Set Free coordinators and individual volunteers in various states for review. This process—between mailing, correction, and return—can take up to three weeks before the inmate receives their corrected first course and a certificate of completion. Such delays can be discouraging, especially for someone who has taken the first step to study God's Word.

That is why a timely response is absolutely critical to keep their spiritual interest strong and a desire to complete additional courses.

In April of this year, we launched a new initiative called **"Set Free First Responders."** This local mentor team is made up of believers from nearby evangelical churches—serves right from the Set Free office. Every Wednesday, they meet at the Set Free office. Their mission is to review the first course - *Knowing Jesus Christ*, respond quickly to inmates' questions about salvation, and pray, mentor, and encourage them. This new team is now fully trained and rolling smoothly.

We are happy to report that we can now return the first complete course to new students within 10 days.

This initiative has become a great blessing to both the inmates and Set Free. It has also been encouraging and exciting to witness our First Responders grow in their own faith, confidently and boldly sharing the Gospel with others in the free world.

We are truly grateful to the Lord for touching hearts and raising up additional volunteers who are serving the Lord as they minister to those behind bars.



Thank you for taking the time to grade and comment on my exams. Your encouragement means more than I can express. I struggle deeply with guilt and shame. At times, I feel unloved, unwanted, and like a complete failure to everyone I've ever known. I try to keep my eyes on Jesus and pray daily for comfort, healing, and a chance to begin again in a better way.

Even with prayer, the struggle remains. Those I love continue to suffer because of my past choices, and I truly wish things had been different—that I had not sinned. Still, I'm grateful for the unfailing love of God. Thank you again for your ministry. May God bless you richly. **Brian, Lisbon, Ohio.**



LETTERS FROM INMATES

I WAS IN PRISON AND YOU CAME TO ME.
MATTHEW 25:36

*Your word
is a lamp to my feet, a light to my path.*

Psalms 119:105



I feel so blessed to have received this study when I did! Since being incarcerated, I've accepted the Lord Jesus as my personal Savior. But at times, I didn't feel saved—like I wasn't truly worthy of salvation. That's something I've really struggled with.

This study opened my eyes. Now I know I am saved—because that's what God's Word says. I trust Him, and I trust the

Bible! **Kayla, Alderson, West Virginia**



Before taking this course, I had already been born again by receiving the Lord Jesus as my personal Savior. I thank the Lord for your ministry's willingness to help and be a light during dark times—especially as I hunger to know more about our Lord.

He has used these studies to deepen my understanding of His Word. God bless you, my brothers and sisters in Christ, for sharing the Gospel where it's needed most. **Gabriel, Visalia, California**



The one thing I must say is how truly great our God is—He has used you, and continues to use you, to open eyes to the living Word of God. What a blessing this ministry is!

Every time I complete a lesson, I learn something new. I receive the kind of assurance we all need as believers—reminders of truth that strengthen our walk.

So, thank you! I've been set free, and I thank the Lord for working through you. Amen! **Orlando, Hartsville, Tennessee**



I want to thank you for your schooling and the many courses I've taken. I deeply appreciate how your materials stay true to Scripture—word for word from the Bible—without taking shots at other doctrines or trying to convert through criticism. The layout is clear, and the content is rich. Through your studies, I've learned and re-learned.

I now stand on sound doctrine, with roots that are deep and firm. You and your team have helped me grow stronger in faith and, hopefully, become a better person.

Once again, thank you for your studies, your labor, and the love you've poured into this ministry for those of us in prison. **David, Norco, California**



Thank you so much for all you do for us. It means a lot to me. I just wanted to let you know how much I've been learning about the Word since I started doing these Bible studies. The more I learn, the more I want to know.

As you know, I'm in prison. I used to ask you all kinds of questions about my doubts and my salvation. I had no peace. But now, I trust in the Word and in Jesus. It's a glorious feeling! The peace He has given me is awesome! I've been studying every day and reading Christian books as well. The power of the Word and of prayer has captured my heart. Finding my relationship with my Lord and Savior has been a life-changer. Praise the Lord—Set Free Prison Ministries is a blessing beyond words. Thank you. **Connie, Greenwood, South Carolina**

