

“WALKING IN THE LIGHT”

Kings Crossing Prison Ministries

A NEWS REVIEW & EDUCATIONAL TOOL OF JAIL-PRISON MINISTRIES IN CHURCHES OF CHRIST

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“Endeavoring to teach the Gospel to every person everywhere before Jesus returns”

KCPM Annual Drive Now Through December 31st!

Our *Annual Fund Drive* started on October 1 and will end on December 31. In past years, we have been motivated and extremely grateful with a “Matching Fund” amount of \$35,000. Our goal, of course, is to do more than reach the previous year’s amount. October, November and December are critical months for our planning to reach into prisons, jails, and lives. These three months make up in shortfalls in our giving needs through the entire year. In this way, we do not experience a “deficit” budget year.

The last three years’ annual drives looked like this. In 2022, with your help we reached \$124,951. 2023 saw that total grow to \$134,236! You gave \$294,317 in the 2024 annual drive! Part of the increase in 2024 involved a special gift through an estate. We are SO grateful and remind ourselves each year not to be anxious- that God continues to work through each of you to ensure this work continues.

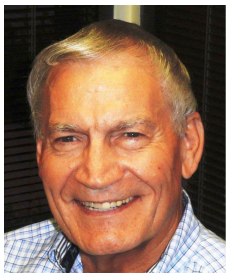
We always want to be transparent in our reporting to be both good stewards and keep you informed regarding the work of the prison ministry. **Buck Griffith** often reminds me that it is easy to back a winner, because *you know your support is being used wisely and successfully.*

In 2024, we extended the reach of prison ministry work into prisons and county jails in Beeville, El-Paso, Hondo, San Antonio, and Victoria. There are wonderful servants of God in ALL these cities who are teaching in sober living homes, jails, and prisons. We are humbled to work alongside them! There is no way we could accomplish all of that from Corpus Christi. We are in conversations and various stages of planning with men and women in congregations in these areas. Our goal is to train and be a resource for teams from these areas to go into these prisons and county jails.

In 2025, we were blessed to further extend this ministry’s reach in the **Dolph Briscoe unit** in Dilley, Texas. Just this month, a new state prison is opening in the Valley (**Willacy State Jail** in Raymondville), and we already have a team on the ground, a visit planned to that prison and will start teaching there before the end of 2025! **Sober living homes** also became a new reach this year. We have teaching teams in multiple homes in multiple cities. Our **re-entry efforts** in the Coastal Bend are seeing dozens of disciples.



Thank You! We know without YOUR help, it just would not happen.



Buck Griffith



Dale Underwood

Two important lessons we have learned over the years in this mission field of prison ministry is 1) we must be prepared for seasons to ‘make it through’ until dry spells and droughts end, and 2) God uses His people to get us through these times. We have learned to be prepared and make it through dry spells. We have also learned not to worry when we put it into God’s hands.

If you want to honor someone or remember them as a memorial gift, please indicate that in your giving. You can also give “online” via our website: www.kingscrossingprisonministries.org.

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Prison /Jail & Recovery Ministry Workshop

Kevin Lashley, is both a seasoned prison minister and a NewLife Behavior regional director. He invited **Kings Crossing Prison Ministries** to participate in a regional Prison/Jail workshop hosted by the **Poteau Church of Christ** in Poteau, OK on October 11th, 2025.

Leaders and active prison ministers from Oklahoma and Arkansas gathered to speak about the powerful things God is doing within prison/jail & recovery ministries. It was an eye-opening experience of how the receptivity among those incarcerated is not just happening in Texas but also across the U.S. We heard testimony after testimony about how NewLife Behavior Curriculum has been impacting people in facilities all over Oklahoma for the last 40 years! It was humbling to hear just how far the arm of NewLife Behavior curriculum is reaching.

Two men who have grown tremendously over the past year (**Pablo Salinas** and **Zane Howard**) made the trip with us. October was both men's one year anniversary for being out of prison. Zane and Pablo were able to speak at the workshop about how Jesus is transforming their lives. Zane spent eight years in the Oklahoma prison system. Both men spoke about hearing the gospel while being incarcerated and the way support groups and the church have been a key part of these men staying on track. We were so thankful to have had the opportunity to attend this workshop. Zane is from this area and made great connections. He has since moved back to Oklahoma where he continues to be a disciple.

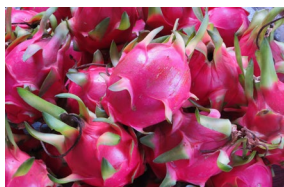
Amen. God is good! Praise King Jesus!



Baptistries Around the World

This arm of the ministry grew out of a need by missionaries as well as chaplains in prisons who wanted to provide baptism for those responding to the message of Christ but who had no way to do it. **Buck Griffith** found a way. Over 20 years later, we continue to produce portable baptistries that have now been placed around the United States and world! This month, two more portables will go to two **women's prison units (Hilltop and O'Daniel)** in Gatesville where we are in the process of recruiting a team to go in from this area. To date, this brings the number of permanent and portable baptistries in production to **501 (total): 347 in 38 states and 154 in 41 countries. Each used on average 37 times a year (18,537 per year)!**

Your support is vital and soul changing!



Gifts of Remembrance & Gratitude

Many ministry friends find this a meaningful way to remember loved ones and honor persons who have made a difference in their lives – living or not. Whether a person just passed away or died decades ago, it is a marvelous feeling to know that you or a loved one is remembered.

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