

“WALKING IN THE LIGHT”

# Kings Crossing Prison Ministries

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

Dr. Dale Underwood, Editor

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

## Teaching Opportunities

At its heart, the Kings Crossing Prison Ministry is a teaching ministry. Whether that teaching takes place through Bible correspondence courses through the mail or in person, taking the message about the saving grace God offers through His son, Jesus Christ is our goal. When you partner with us through volunteering, teaching, or giving lives are changed and souls seek God. And, that partnership is bearing fruit! June looks to be a busy month.

## National Prison Ministry Workshop

Next week, about two dozen of us will travel to Wichita Falls to attend and in several cases speak at the workshop. If you get the chance to come, I pray that you do so. Several of our number will take part in a women’s panel exploring the unique perspective of teaching incarcerated women. Others will be teaching on reaching Spanish speaking populations, an area of prison ministry growing rapidly. Others of our group will address the impacts of addiction and how to minister to those in the destructive cycle of addiction. Some of our people are veterans at working with support groups for those exiting prisons. They will be sharing their skillset on the power that Christian support groups in strengthening the spiritual walk. That ex-offenders desperately need to remain free. We will also share new efforts underway to help those preparing to leave prison and those just out to get connected with churches and people determined to not let these people fall through the cracks. Please pray for our staff and volunteers that will be at the workshop as we ‘sharpen our saw’ and as we share what we have learned. An insert of the workshop schedule is included in this month’s newsletter. Please pray that our efforts are fruitful!



**2022 NATIONAL JAIL & PRISON  
MINISTRY WORKSHOP  
FOR THE CHURCHES OF CHRIST**

**HOSTED BY: CHRIST PRISON MINISTRY  
& EDGEMERE CHURCH OF CHRIST**

**DATES: 8-10 JUNE 2022**  
**LOCATION: WICHITA FALLS, TX**  
**POC: STEPHEN@EDGEMERE.ORG**



## More Bibles in the Hands of Prisoners!

Last month we asked for help to purchase and pay for more World Bible School Bibles. Often, when we go into jails and prisons, we take WBS Bibles with us. Prisoners have a lot of time on their hands. Placing Bibles and study lessons in those hands changes the eternal direction of lives. Joe Almanza, one of the keynote speakers at the workshop next week, often relates while he was in prison he got a Bible correspondence course out of the trash and began reading it. That began His path to Christ. Several of you answered the call when we asked for help in purchasing Bibles. **Thank You! We cannot say it often enough!** Please continue to remember our work in prayer and through your giving. It continues to mean so much to us and make differences in the lives of those in prisons.

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## **“Baptistries Around the World” continues to be active in our backyard!**

Last month, I told you we were working out logistics with Nueces County jail officials to fulfill baptism requests of eight women and two men. That list has since grown to include both jail locations (downtown and the annex) in Nueces County. It seems like it moves at an agonizingly slow pace to get the red tape removed to accomplish this. Please continue to pray that jail officials will approve a date soon to baptize those requesting it. We will be taking one of the portable baptistries with us into the jails to accomplish this. **If you are able to give to this effort, please do so.**



### **THE PICTURE YOU ARE LOOKING AT...**

... is a picture of one our prison ministry volunteers baptizing a young man who works with him. They were studying the Bible together as the business they are allows time for this on the road. The young man was reading from Acts 8 about Philip when he spoke with the Ethiopian eunuch. Recall verse 36 when the eunuch said to Philip as they passed by a body of water on the road, “Look, here is water. What can stand in the way of my being baptized?” Philip’s response was to ask him if he believed in Jesus, the son of God. This past Friday, Oso Creek took on that moment for this young man! Jesus, the volunteer doing the baptizing (*that’s really his name!*) was so excited he call me immediately after to tell me what transpired.

## **We are Returning to teaching in Prisons!**

This month we return to the Coastal Bend Detention Center at Robstown. Bilingual teams for men and women will receive required training June 1<sup>st</sup> and begin teaching the following week. The first Sunday in June we will have a team begin holding church services at the CoreCivic Coastal Bend Rehabilitation Center, a facility for recent parolees. We will also start group meetings soon utilizing NewLife Behavior curriculum. We have a team in Victoria who is now teaching at the Severson Unit at Cuero. We are scheduling with the chaplain at the Garza West unit in Beeville to do the same this month. We are restarting our efforts with volunteers and prison units toward the valley. COVID could not keep us out forever, and we knew we needed to be ready when the opportunities came. **Please pray for these workers as they go into the fields! Please continue to support these efforts through your giving!**



### **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.

#### **Received from:**

M/M Kirby Barker, Jr.  
M/M Frank Maxey  
M/M Buck Griffith  
Dr./M Jim Wilson

#### **In Memory of:**

Ed Glasson  
Ed Glasson  
Merlene Scott  
Mary Jo Barnett

#### **Received from:**

M/M Bob Wachtel  
M/M Tedd Muery  
Dr./M Dale Underwood

#### **In Memory of:**

Tom Speaker  
Bobby Payne  
Jere Lemmer

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M/M Buck Griffith  
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