

“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”

ANNUAL DRIVE ENDS DECEMBER 31ST!

This is our final push to gather ‘before winter’ so we can be prepared to make it through the next year. Proverbs 6:7-8 tells us ants have “*no captain, overseer or ruler, yet they gather their food during the harvest and it lasts them until the next summer.*” Ants produce and gather, preparing for the future, storing up against the winter or calamity. The ant is not just thinking about today, but is programmed to prepare for tomorrow.



Two important lessons we have learned over the years in this mission field of prison ministry is 1) we must be prepared for seasons that we have 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 programmed to be prepared and make it through dry spells. We have also learned not to worry when we put it into God’s hands.

Please pray for our efforts here and elsewhere in Texas! Prayer is such a powerful gift to us! Your prayer and continued financial support partner with us to take the good news of Jesus Christ to so many! Please remember to include us in your end of year giving. **Since the last newsletter in November when we received less than \$2,000- we are now at \$11,646. Please be reminded of the generous gift of \$35,000 in matching funds. We need \$23,354 to reach this matching number by the end of December.** We know that many of you will wait till the end of December for tax purposes. And, some of you will call to see how we are coming along in the funds needed to reach the match. Thank you for remembering us in your planning.

What’s Happened in the Region (just in November?)

God continues to bless this work and use his people. This week our ladies went into the downtown Nueces County jail location and baptized 21 women! Next Tuesday, at the McKenzie Annex County jail location in Nueces County we are scheduled to baptize 22 men! This has been a continuing pattern since early July that each week we have been blessed to be baptizing new disciples into Christ. Since July, more than 300 souls have been baptized into Christ in the Nueces County jails and TDCJ half-way house at CoreCivic in Corpus Christi.

What’s Happened around Texas (just in November?)

Dr. Dale Underwood traveled to the Valley to visit with the chaplain at the Glossbrenner TDCJ Unit in San Diego and then chaplains in Edinburg at the Lopez and Segovia units. All of these chaplains are anxious to have our teams return to teaching since COVID. We are scheduling now to begin in January, 2023! Please pray for **Charles Barber** and **Mike DeShazo** as they prepare to go into the Glossbrenner unit to teach with us. Please pray for **John Gannaway** and his team as he prepares to go into the Lopez unit in Edinburg.

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GOD IS OPENING DOORS IN THE VALLEY



Left to Right: John Gannaway, Dr. Dale Underwood, Melissa and Jonathan Scaggs

(Pictured left) John Gannaway has been a soldier for Christ going into the TDCJ prison units in Edinburg for years and is a good friend in our work together. We were able to renew that friendship with John and make new friends with **Jonathan and Melissa Scaggs** when we held NLBM curriculum and CASA group training in October. Brother Gannaway lives in Edinburg and the Scaggs live in Raymondville. Jonathan works as a sheriff's deputy and volunteers as a chaplain in the Willacy County Jail. Please pray for them as they prepare and begin teaching in these units and jails in January 2023.

(Pictured right) On our recent trip to the Valley we were



Left: John Gannaway, Dr. Dale Underwood, Right: Chaplains Crittendon and Vela

able to sit down with **Chaplain's Vela** and **Crittendon** over lunch and make plans to begin going into the prisons in the Valley with the added blessing of workers who live in that area. Also, (not pictured), we visited with the new **Chaplain Franco** at the Glossbrenner Unit in San Diego, shared the NLBM curriculum, and talked about sending a team of volunteers. Kings Crossing Prison Ministry will continue to provide training for volunteers so they have access to TDCJ prisons. In addition, NewLife Behavior Ministries will be working alongside KCPM to provide NLBM curriculum training to volunteers and curriculum to chaplains and inmates at these and other units.

New Orleans, Louisiana

49th National Jail & Prison Ministry Workshop

June 7-9, 2021

Elysian Fields Church of Christ

4636 Elysian Fields Avenue

David Green, Director (913) 605-2495

Remember to put the NPMW on your calendar for this summer in June 2023!

You will not want to miss it.



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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