

“WALKING IN THE LIGHT” Kings Crossing Prison Ministries

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“Helping make the world better and safer teaching Christ to those in prison”

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DONORS: PLEASE CONSIDER

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Time and effort has been devoted to our website – www.kingscrossingprisonministries.org – to create a convenient way for our friends to *contribute online* and help us accomplish our mission: “Helping make the world better and safer teaching Christ to those in prison.” So far, few have taken advantage of this opportunity and we wonder, “Why?” It is our fault for failing to explain how to do this and help us all . . .

- Online giving saves the donor from physically writing a check, putting it in an envelope, adding a stamp, and dropping it in the mail.
- The gift is immediately deposited into our account, saving us the time to open the mail, stamp the check, record it, make out a paper deposit, and drive to our bank.
- Your online donation creates an electronic history that is easily tracked to confirm transactions for the IRS or any other need for documentation.
- Human memory is no longer an issue. Some intend to give monthly but time passes and it is remembered two or three months later. Online giving is automatic and not dependent on one’s memory.
- Online giving is safer than sending a paper check. I have personally given online for years. I have some crazy stories about checks lost in the mail and *never* found. A few of them were quite large!



Here is a “step-by-step” process for you to follow. Take this page and go to www.kingscrossingprisonministries.org. You do not have to “click” past the first page. Just click on the category: “Donate.” It will open and you go to “Online Donations.” This offers you three options: (1) “General Budget” means your donation can be used for any needs we may have at the time; (2) “Kolb Endowment Fund” means your gift will be invested in the long-term stability of this work and not be used for current needs; (3) “Specific Ministries” lets you *hand-pick* certain areas you wish to support. This is a neat feature. If you want to give \$100 total but divide it between four areas, you may select \$25 for “Little Angels,” \$25 for “Bibles,” \$25 for “Felon Re-Entry Assistance,” and \$25 for “Baptistries Around the World.” There are a dozen different areas from which to select . . .

Little Angels
Felon Re-Entry Assistance
Bible Correspondence School
Bibles

Christians Against Substance Abuse
Jail-Prison Classroom Materials
Networking Tools & Directories
Offender Family Follow-Up

Postage & Shipping
Reconciled & Renewed Seminars
Recruiting, Training & Workshops
Baptistries Around the World



If you want more information about any of these areas, we will be glad to send you the newest “Many Faces of Kings Crossing Prison Ministries” pamphlet. When you get to this point, you are almost “done” with this task. All you need to do is tell how frequently you wish to contribute: (1) One Time; (2) Weekly; (3) Bi-Weekly; or (4) Monthly. Then, choose a “begin” and an “end” date and click “Continue” which takes you to securely enter your credit card or bank information. We cannot fully describe how grateful we

are for your support. Without you, none of this could be done.

AUGUST IS “ENDOWMENT FUND” MONTH

“Time flies when you are having fun.” The truth is... *time flies whether you have fun or not!* We are already on the verge of August 2020. This is the one month each year we seek to build up the **Rachel N. Kolb Endowment Fund**. Due to the dream of our late Sister Kolb, this fund that started with \$10,000 has now grown to almost \$400,000! This fund insures the long-term stability of this work. Thank you for making a “special” gift for this purpose during August!



REMEMBERING A PRINCE OF A SERVANT

John Paul Poynter fits the description of a *servant* in the deepest meaning of the word. He seized every opportunity whether it was cooking pancakes for a Saturday morning men's breakfast or as a Bible School teacher in a teen or adult classroom. He served as a "deacon" for years and then, as a shepherd. No task was too big or little for him to tackle. John coordinated a weekly Bible study with *at risk* youth at Nueces County Juvenile Detention Center for many years, doing it himself or scheduling various volunteers (like John Henry Pruitt) to come in and share with them. An *insurance man* by vocation, he was relentless and persistent. John was even more dedicated to Jesus and his family. His dogged determination moved you to love and admire him. If you needed encouragement or may have become slack in your spiritual service, he could look you in the eye and tell you he loved you (with those heavy, dark, bushy eye-brows bouncing). We lost this "prince of a servant" on March 22, 2019. John set an example of how a real man wins over pain and death. He endured excruciating physical pain for years. Almost until the end, John managed to find a way to get from his Portland home to attend elders' meetings on Wednesday nights after Bible study at Kings Crossing. His wife, Joy, supported him *the last mile of the way* along with his son and daughter, Johnny and Terry, and their families. What a legacy! Looking at this photo of John, brings back a flood of fun times, laughter, tears, and most of all – sheer joy to have known him. We still miss you, John Paul Poynter!



MEMORIAL & HONOR GIFTS

Memorial Gifts express comfort to those losing loved ones. *Honor Gifts* show gratitude for those held in high esteem. We acknowledge all gifts. Generosity in this way continues to help others in a multitude of lasting ways.

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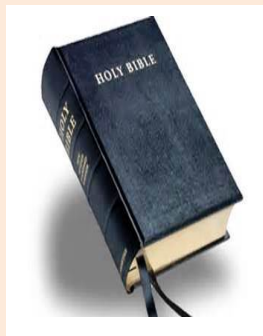
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TACKLING THE GRADING DILEMMA

Thank you for helping solve the overwhelming load on our *Bible Study by Mail* program during this Covid-19 pandemic. Two specific steps have made a huge difference. First, volunteers come by our office to pick up lessons to be graded and deliver them when finished. Second, we have converted most lesson "tests" to ten "Multiple Choice" questions which simplifies and speeds up the total process. While not having *live* classes in prisons, new student requests have shot up dramatically. Reducing the turnaround time maintains and heightens the interest of our Bible students.



Kings Crossing Prison Ministries is under the oversight of the shepherds, Kings Crossing Church of Christ, 5901 Yorktown Boulevard, Corpus Christi, Texas 78414 (Steve Brashear, Ron Cardwell, Robert Illgen, Rick Legvold, and Jack North).

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