



Philippi Freedom Ministry

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Thank you so very much for your interest in Philippi Freedom Ministry. We are honored that so many would support our ministry with prayers, volunteering, and grace gifts. The Lord continues to open doors, shepherd those with positive volition to us, and bless us beyond anything we could think or ask. Here is a recap of what we have been up to:

Our ministry continues to provide Bible Study to over 3,000 inmates across the United States. We have grown our collection of study guides and now have 138 available for the inmates to use to advance toward the high ground of spiritual maturity. Of course, we could never manage this without the incredible volunteers who support us through grading, mailings, etc. We have 82 graders across the United States who handle all of this. They are amazing and we could never express how truly grateful we are for their time and efforts. These wonderful individuals allow us to handle everything professionally and timely.



Additionally, we continue to support Chaplains with books, media players, DVDs, and mp3s. We provide books for Chapel libraries and have supported some Chaplains with other helpful study material so they can facilitate the accurate teaching of the Word of God to the inmates. Making sure our inmates have accurate Bible teachings to study remains our top priority.

We announced last year that the Lord paved the way for us to put some Bible studies (both video and mp3) on the new inmate tablets. Inmates who have access to the tablets can find our Bible Studies and listen to the accurate teaching of the Word of God if they are interested. It was costly but, as always, the Lord provides. This year, we continued to grow this program and were able to upload an additional 100 lessons. Inmates now have access to 150 different Bible classes taught by Joe Griffin, Rick Hughes, Colonel R. B. Thieme, Jr., Bobby Thieme, and me. Currently, there are over 1,400 jails and prisons across America participating in the tablet program, with more being added all the time. To date, we have had over 70,000 inmates open these online Bible Studies. Please pray for this initiative, as it opens the door to many more inmates than we could possibly travel to, and we hope to be able to continue adding classes to feed those who thirst for Truth.

We have two books in print that cover the big questions and issues we run into in the prisons. They are Eternal Security and Grace Throughout Life. Our third book, Wounded Soul is being finalized now. Please keep this project in your prayers and, of course, if you would like a copy of any of these books, just let us know. Everything is free...never a charge for anything!

As far as travel, I had a busy schedule yet again this year. At times, I was gone for 28 out of 30 days. Some of my destinations include: California, Nebraska, Tennessee, Virginia, South Dakota, Kansas, Texas, Michigan, Connecticut, Kentucky, Rhode Island, Arkansas, Iowa, Louisiana, Illinois, and Missouri. 2026 does not look to be any slower, and I am grateful to have the health and stamina to continue to travel.



We again supported two Texas Wounded Warrior Foundation Spiritual Retreats, and the response from these veterans continue to grow at each retreat. We have had more follow-up from these warriors after the events then I can ever remember. It has been amazing and encouraging! Many thanks to Dick, Bob, and Jack Goetz who allow me to be a small part of this program.



In September, we completed our 15th Annual Riding with Grace Horse Camp at the Risty Ranch in South Dakota. It is such an amazing and fun weekend. It's a wonderful opportunity to give the Gospel message of Faith Alone In Christ Alone to both the campers and their family and friends, along with teaching "Rebound." This camp gets better every year, and we already have it on the schedule for 2026.

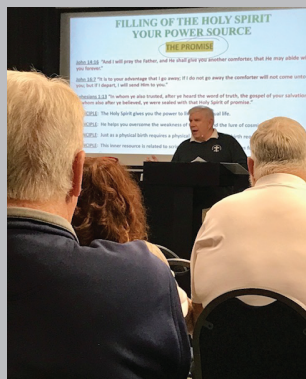


Finally, this past year, I had the opportunity to teach from two pulpits. As my friend and pastor, Joe Griffin, wound down towards retirement, I was able to fill in for him. It has been amazing to support Joe over the last 40 years and to fill in for him the last few years when he was away. Thank you, my friend, for the Bible teachings and example you have set for those who follow you.



Additionally, I once again had the opportunity to fill in for Pastor Robert B. Thieme, III. It is always such an incredible honor to stand in the pulpit where so much Bible Doctrine has been taught for so many decades. Thank you, Bobby, for entrusting me with this awesome responsibility. You can find the classes I taught at Berachah Church and Grace Doctrine Church on our website if you are interested.

We have many inmates who keep in touch after their release and who continue to study Bible Doctrine. It is so encouraging to know they still want to grow in grace daily with all the distractions and temptations of the outside world. Please pray for these men and women who take the challenge of "Forever Forward" seriously and continue to stick with Truth.



As I look ahead to 2026, I'm very excited to see what the Lord will do with our ministry. Please pray for the continued growth of our presence on the tablets, that the Lord will direct those inmates with positive volition to search out and find our Bible studies on them, and that those listening would respond positively to them. I solicit your prayers for open doors, stamina, wisdom, guidance, good health, and logistics as God uses this ministry to provide accurate Bible Teaching of His word and to give the good news of the Gospel of Faith Alone in Christ alone. We will continue to step through the doors He opens.

I would also ask that you remember those who study alone with us and are changing the way they think through the intake and application of God's word on a daily basis. They have the opportunity to have the best year of their life, and we pray that those who are positive to the accurate study of God's word would find our ministry so that we may feed that positive volition.

I can attest to the fact that there is, indeed, positive volition all over this great country, and I hope you will find this as encouraging as I do.



In His amazing grace,

Gary Watson

Letters from Inmates

"Wow what a study! I'm learning so much. I thank God for stopping me from self-destructing and given me the time and opportunity to learn more through these studies. It has challenged me, and I want to study more. God bless you for your willingness to serve our Lord and Savior. Thank you."

"Thank you for the studies you send. I am more excited than ever to study them. These studies make you want more and more. They are like food to my spirit with lots of protein. I am very grateful for your ministry. I haven't come across any teachings like this that my soul and spirit want more."

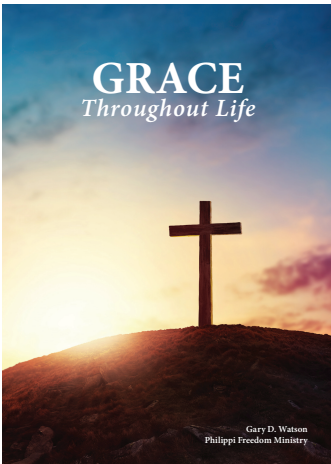
"Thank you for the books you mailed to me at Maury Correctional Institute. I love them so much. Thank you. I listen to the "Flot Line" and "R. B. Thieme, III" on my inmate tablet every day, seven days a week and I'm growing spiritually. Thank you."

"I really enjoyed this study, and I will re-read several times. There's a lot of deeper understanding with these studies than anything I have completed. Please send next lesson."

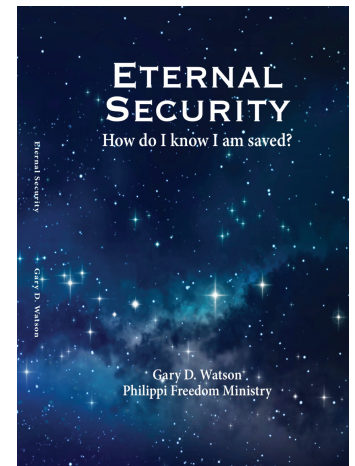
"Thank you for the Bible Study materials. The books are amazing, and they made me realize that I can not afford to not be studying God's word. My very soul realizes it. I want to be a winner believer. I've been a loser believer forever. I want to fight the good fight for God's glory."

"I just wanted to write you a small note. Thank you for the Bible Study. The Divine Pardon touched home, for me and the fellow brothers that took the time out to read the words that was placed inside that book. All I can say is keep them coming. Thank you for everything."

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Grace Throughout Life unveils the policy of God to mankind, as well as the various categories of grace that God provides to the believer at spiritual birth, throughout life, and into eternity. As you grow in grace by consistently learning Bible doctrine, you will develop the protocols by which believers are to interact with others. Additionally, you will appreciate and see the grace of God operating in your life. The more you understand the grace of God, the more you will strengthen your capacity to love Him, acquire a stable happiness in your own soul, and be able to promote good relationships with others.



Coming soon!

As human beings, we are immortal. Yes, we die physically, but death is merely a separation of the material body from the immaterial soul. Where you reside after you die depends on whether you have accepted Jesus Christ as your personal Savior. If you have accepted Him, you are, without a doubt, eternally secure and will spend eternity in the indescribably wonderful place we call Heaven. Once you believe in Jesus Christ with just a moment of faith, you are forever in His almighty hands, and you will "never perish." Your destiny is sealed because of the grace of God and our Savior's victory on the cross.



Philippi Freedom Ministry presents the
Gospel Message of Faith Alone in Christ Alone
and teaches Basic Bible Doctrines
to those who are incarcerated.

All materials and activities are provided free of charge.

If you would like more information, please feel free to
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