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Dear Supporters, Volunteers, and Friends of Life's Key Ministry,

A new year is here, and as I do each time the calendar turns over, I eagerly look forward to what God has in store for us. 2016 was an interesting year to say the least! We successfully migrated to a new method of mailing our courses and birthday cards that has brought about some changes in office procedures, but has allowed us to save money on postage, one of our major expenses. We also introduced the Course Sponsorship Program to combat the course funding that was lost at the end of August. God has used this program to grow our prayer and financial support, and it has enabled people to be involved with the ministry on a much more personal level. I am so thankful for everyone that has shown interest, and am thrilled for the 49 course sponsorships that we have. We still have a way to go, but I am confident that God will provide as He always has!

Please keep us in your prayers in 2017! We will soon be changing our printing processes as we move from a deluxe RISO printer to something simpler and more affordable. I also anticipate some advancements in the way that all of the prison ministries throughout the country work hand in hand with Emmaus Correspondence School, and look forward to sharing how Life's Key will be a part of that initiative as more details become solidified. I will also continue to look for new opportunities to share how the Lord is using us to enhance the spiritual lives of so many men and women behind bars, as well as fill the remaining 33 course sponsorships. Everything we do is done for the glory of God and for the benefit of those seeking His word. There are so many left to reach!

"The Lord is not slow about His promise, as some count slowness, but is patient toward you, not wishing for any to perish but for all to come to repentance." - 2 Peter 3:9

"Thank you for the blessing of your correspondence courses. They have increased my knowledge of the word of God and edified my faith with true labor of love for our Savior and Lord Jesus Christ. The Holy Spirit has surrounded me with God's love and guided me throughout this incarceration. My release date is January 22, 2017. I whole-heartedly believe that my transition back into society will be much easier and a greater chance of success due to the Life's Key correspondence study courses. I am thankful for your services and forever grateful for the written word of our God. God bless each of you who represent our Lord." - Shawn (Ohio)

"I want to say thank you for the birthday postcard. It's the only thing I got for my birthday, and it brought tears to my eyes that you remembered. I appreciate the periodic lessons and the written responses to the essay questions. I have learned so much since starting out. I have passed that knowledge on to other inmates about the goodness of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. The booklets are like a ripple in a pond growing throughout the jail population. Others are thirsty for knowledge of Jesus! May God truly bless this ministry." - James (Virginia)

For HIS Glory,

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