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

While it's hard to believe that we are still amidst this crisis, it's also hard to imagine if or when things will ever get back to normal. One thing that hasn't changed is the increasing amount of work flowing in and out of our office. In fact, we mailed out more courses in April (2,592) than we have in any single month since I started tracking those numbers four years ago. This has been a challenge, as we have been adjusting most aspects of our office routines at the same time, but has also reinforced our decision to keep the ministry going as close to full capacity as possible. As time goes on and restrictions are lifted, we will gradually get back to regular office hours for everyone, and what a blessing that will be! We continue to lean on the Lord for comfort, wisdom, and strength. Please keep us in prayer, and stay safe!

“That your faith should not stand in the wisdom of men, but in the power of God.” - 1 Corinthians 2:5

“Thank you for the correspondence course I recently received. It was very encouraging, helpful, and beneficial to me in my daily walk and education pertaining to Godly wisdom and spiritual growth. I'll be patiently waiting for the next lessons and to see what grade I got on this one!”

Thank you again for your mentorship and prayers, and the provision of materials you send each time. Numbers 6:24-26, and may all of you be richly blessed to overflow at Life's Key Ministries. Your dedication, hard work, and time are a blessing and greatly appreciated.” - Dallas (Michigan)

“Dear brothers and sisters of Life's Key, I just wanted you to know that I got BAPTIZED last week!” - Damon (Ohio)

From the question: If we can expect the enemy to discourage us in prayer, what steps have you taken to safeguard your prayer times?

“I haven't set any prayer times. I've prayed for the things I want once or many times, now I'm just keeping the faith, though I do thank God and Jesus for even the smallest goodnesses. I pray with Bible study groups and chapel services, but for myself, Jesus knows my supplications and petitions haven't changed and He hasn't forgotten what I desire, so I just quit bugging Him. After all, He's got an entire universe to run. I got faith.” - Robert (Florida)

“Well I've been transferred to a new jail. I found out I'll be here quite some time due to the coronavirus, so I'm writing to request that you update my address. Also, I believe your non-profit organization offers a Bible study program. I'd like to do that if that is possible.

Oh, thank you for the birthday card. I turned 30 on March 22, and at 12:30am on the 22nd I recommitted my life to Christ. I just realized 30 minutes into being 30 that my will has not helped at all. So I choose to do God's will with whatever time God allows me. The birthday card is my Bible marker and reminds me that 'I am with you always', Matthew 28:20.” - Joshua (Virginia)

For HIS Glory,

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“I would like to thank you for using your ministry and resources to provide Bible courses for us prisoners. They are clear and concise, and I get a lot out of them! Mankind as a whole benefits from your generosity and heeding of God’s call to spread the Gospel.

I also would like to give you a heartfelt thank you for the nice birthday card. It brought a smile to my face and warmed my soul. Your card, and one other birthday card from a ministry in New Jersey, are the only birthday cards I received from the outside world this year.

May God continue to richly bless all of your team members at Life’s Key and their efforts. Be blessed and protected.” - Roummel (Michigan)

“I am just wanting to thank you all so very much for my birthday card. It has helped me so very much. I don’t get mail, so it was a blessing to me. When I first came in here I was a mess, but thanks to God, He has now saved my life twice and I thank Him every day.

I have lost all of my kids and now I am about to lose my home. My husband has been out of work for 5 months and has been looking but because of this virus going around, a lot of places are closed. I don’t want to throw my problems on you all, but I was just wondering if you all would keep me in mind when you say a prayer. Pray for my husband to find work and that I don’t lose my home. I know you all don’t really know me, but hopefully you will soon because I want to be a child of God. I pray and read my Bible every day. As you can see, I am not much of a letter writer, and please excuse the sloppy handwriting.

Thank you all for just taking the time to read this. I am so sorry to throw my problems on you all, but I am scared of losing my home. So I am putting everything in God’s hands and praying every day. I hope I am not in the wrong for asking for help. Thank you so much for everything!” - Samantha (Virginia)

“I appreciate your prayers and gift concerning my birthday. I was happy to know someone out in society remembered my birthday. God always puts people in your life path to care for you when everyone else has turned away.

This is my 32nd year incarcerated in Virginia. I am 57 years of age, and was only a young boy when I left home. This has been a long journey, burdensome at times, but Christ Jesus has kept me strong in spirit to endure.

By faith, the Virginia parole board members will grant me parole this year. My hearing should be scheduled in April or May. Recently I have been very sick, diagnosed with a liver disease, prostate cancer, and a scalp disease infection. The medical providers deny adequate medical care treatment to my needs. But through prayers, Christ Jesus will put people in place to help me.

Unfortunately my parents have passed away and my siblings have gone their separate ways. I have nowhere to go or turn to. It reminds me of when Mary was pregnant with baby Jesus, there were no rooms in the inn.

Prayer changes things. I believe Jesus will send someone to my aid. It is my goal and willingness to teach and preach a sermon about the goodness, care, and love of Christ Jesus. A good spiritual advisor, leader, or guide for those in need.

I will keep you informed of my parole hearing and health condition.” - Anthony (Virginia)

