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

Building on the encouragement we started to see last month with the influx of new enrollment cards, things are picking up! We continue to see more and more of these come in, which is exactly what we have needed. From April through August we mailed an average of 236 copies of "Born to Win" (our starter course) per month. In September we mailed 395. In addition, after not having enough requests to mail every week since May, we were able to get a mailing out consecutive weeks at the end of September. That may not seem like much considering where we had been, but nonetheless, we are thankful for the increase! We continue to trust that the Lord is guiding these courses into the hands of inmates that are seeking Him, that they will have the desire to complete "Born to Win", and will continue to grow through subsequent courses.

## **COURSE HIGHLIGHT: DYING TO SELF**

"Dying to Self" is sent as part of our "Christian Character" section of the curriculum. It is written by Amy Hernandez and has only been out a few years, published in 2019. This course stresses that when you die to self and walk in the Spirit, you will find life and freedom in Christ. It highlights three methods for accomplishing this, which are walking in truth, walking in love, and walking in prayer. We are currently mailing about 20 of these per month, and this is one of the courses not currently covered by a course sponsor.

"If we live by the Spirit, let us also walk by the Spirit." - Galatians 5:25

## DEAR LIFE'S KEY,

"Thank you for your prayers. It must be working because I'm still here. I enjoy the Life's Key Bible study. The one on Romans was very nice. I really like 8:38-39. People have different opinions on its meaning, but it's good to know we are secure in Christ when we give our lives to Him.

I got my 18th turndown for parole in July, so I don't know what God wants for my life. I just want to leave this world and I hope it will be soon. There's no life for me here. Society doesn't care what the DOC does, so no use waiting for them to do anything about making it better. Now that both my parents passed away and their property was sold by the state, I have nowhere to parole to.

Thank you all for taking the time to send these studies. I know a lot of people can learn things from it. I've read through the Bible 30 times in these 30 years I've been locked up, but there's always something new to learn from the Word. We'll never know everything about it in this life, but we can run the race till we get there in the next life. Keep up the good work." - Johnny (Virginia)

For HIS Glory,

Tim Priano, Director

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