

Thanksgiving for the Grace of God reaching more!

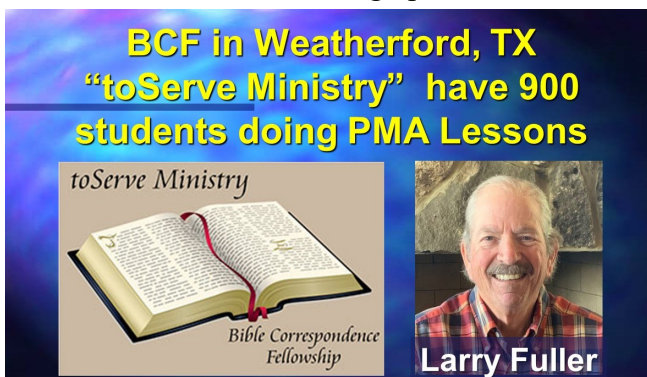
This month is Thanksgiving! Scripture that I read this last week in my devotions. **2 Cor. 4:15-16** ¹⁵ All this is for your benefit, so that the grace that is reaching more and more people may cause thanksgiving to overflow to the glory of God. ¹⁶ Therefore we do not lose heart. Though outwardly we are wasting away, yet inwardly we are being renewed day by day. The Grace of God is reaching more and more people to cause thanksgiving to overflow to the glory of God. Therefore we do not lose heart!!

We are overflowing with Thankfulness to God and for all of you on our PMA team who pray, give and volunteer. We have hundreds of volunteers all across the country and overseas that are spreading the message of God's grace through PMA Bible lessons!

With our explosive growth the best way to enable us to continue to handle thousands more students is by decentralizing our ministry to have local churches, individuals, and hopefully soon inmate church communities distributing and correcting PMA Lessons called **Bible Correspondence Fellowship ministry (BCF)**.

Last year at this time, we had 54 Bible Correspondence Fellowships (BCFs), now we have 60 in USA and 28 countries overseas that duplicate what our home office does by providing life-changing Bible correspondence courses.

One of our newest BCF is in Weatherford, Texas! Larry Fuller is a volunteer who recently contacted me with the following update.



Larry is one of 22 volunteers with "ToServe Ministry"

"Our ministry have been using your lessons for a couple of years, mailing them to inmates. "ToServe Ministry" has been serving men and women in prison since 2014. Bible Correspondence Fellowship (BCF) (toserve began using your studies) began during the COVID pandemic to reach men and women with the Gospel of Christ when no one was allowed to enter correctional facilities. In May 2020, lessons were mailed to 12 men at Lindsey State Jail to be completed and returned. Our ministry has grown, by word of mouth from our students, to over 40 county and state facilities serving 900 active students engaged in correspondence Bible lessons." - Larry Fuller, www.toserve.org

Please pray for this BCF and pray for God to raise up more churches and ministries to partner with us to reach more and more men and women behind bars with the Gospel of the Grace of God!

Steps to start your own BCF:

1. Pastor Dwight can come and visit your church to share the vision and opportunity
2. Recruit a coordinator to lead your local ministry
3. Contact local jails and prison chaplains to distribute lessons with your PO Box on them
4. Recruit several volunteers to correct lessons

Inmate Testimonies

I am a new believer and writing to ask for your Bible study to bring me closer to God. I have been through so much in my life. I was spinning out of control. I knew I needed to make some changes. I picked up a Bible and began to read. Some is very confusing to me but with God in my life, I have found life is more manageable. **I found your Bible Study and want to learn more to lighten my life for the Lord and bring me closer to Jesus Christ.** Thank you and God bless.- Nick K.

Thank you for sending me the enclosed lesson. I enjoy these lessons very much as they cause me to have to investigate and navigate scripture to find the correct response to the questions. I enjoy the challenge. **Not all correspondence courses challenge the student as your courses/lessons do.** Thank you for the prayers and investment in my spiritual walk! - Brian

Edovo Digital Tablets Update—PMA lessons completed this year on the Prison tablets total 63,738! This is incredible growth and blessing from the Lord!



Update from Simone Montfort, Operations Manager, Port Orchard, WA

Greetings from Port Orchard. The work of the PMA Office continues. We are truly blessed by our volunteers. We have had a few volunteers move or go on to other activities, but the Lord has always provided replacements. Prices of everything continue to rise, but our generous donors make sure that we can continue to reach inmates with the word of God.

I am constantly inspired by our students. Michael in Illinois said, "I just want to thank you and your organization for allowing me the benefit of learning of all the Greatness that God Our Father has prepared for His children!!". Frank in Wisconsin said, "These Bible Studies have given me a broad understanding of what God has done for us through His son Jesus and his disciples, the dispensation of God's grace and how each of us become the Lord's messengers". Talena in Nevada said, "This Bible Study is great! God is really revealing new layers and understanding of His word to me. Jesus is a precious sacrifice, or else we'd be doomed." I really love to see the changes that God is making in our students, how He inspires them. In our Understanding the Bible, lesson 1, we ask our students to draw what they think the ark may

have looked like. Some students choose not to do this. Some draw like I do and draw what looks like a lopsided soup bowl. A few of our students are very talented. I have included artwork from one of them.



Thank you so much for your continuing prayers and donations.

Blessings,
Simone Montfort,

Praise and Prayer Points

Praise God for answers to Prayer:

- ♦ **Praise the Lord for Simone Montfort** who is doing a terrific job as our Operations Manager at the PMA home office.
- ♦ Praise God for many new BCF hubs since our last newsletter. We have **over 60 BCF regional hubs now around the country** and 28 countries overseas. The newest ones are in India and Australia.
- ♦ **Praise God as doors are opening to connect with inmates again in MN jails and prisons.**

Prayer

- ♦ Pray for our need for **bilingual volunteers** and a Spanish coordinator in WA.
- ♦ **For God to call key leaders** within the prisons to help distribute/correct lessons and plant prison churches.
- ♦ Pray for Pastor Dwight as he leads PMA and Bethesda Church. He is

praying for some young leaders whom he can mentor to help with PMA and at the Church.

- ♦ The expansion of our PMA board with leaders from across the country.
- ♦ The expansion of our PMA staff to help handle our fast growth and vision.

Coming Soon!

Please contact us to visit your church!

November 4, 10 am Iglesia Dios Habla Hoy - DHH Church. Minneapolis, MN

November 5, 9 am Bethesda Church, North Branch, MN

November 14, MCF-Lino Lakes, MN Correctional

February 19-23, 2024, Grace Gospel Fellowship Pastors Conference, Grace Bible Church, Phoenix, AZ

May 17-18, 2024 THE CMCA 2024 SUMMIT, Wheaton, IL

Oct.23-25, 2024 Minnesota Correctional Association Conference, Mankato, MN

12 Seeds™

We are excited to have the 12 Seeds resources available here at Prison Mission Association, thanks to the generosity of our dear friend and supporter, Norm Andersen, Author of the 12 Seeds books.

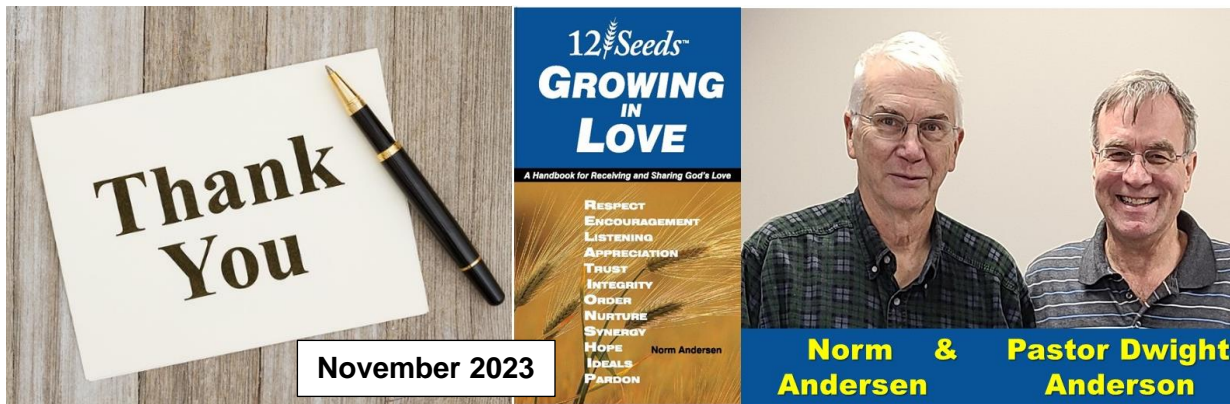
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Thanksgiving Greetings PMA 12 Seeds ministry partners!

This is the time of year to take time to count each blessing with grateful hearts. **We are grateful for YOU!** This is the time to tell those close to you just how important they are and the beautiful impact they have had on your life. Most importantly, let us never forget to be thankful to the Lord. Even when things do not go the way that we would like, we still should be thankful, because His love never fails. ***“Let them give thanks to the Lord for His unfailing love and His wonderful deeds for men.”*** - Psalms 107:8.

May you have a blessed Thanksgiving surrounded by family, friends, and the many reminders of the goodness of God in each of your lives. There are so many blessings to be thankful for this year. In the midst of all the challenges God has been faithful to us! **Please read the 2023 PMA Fall Newsletter** included.

12 Seeds Growing in Love Book Update: We did the second printing – 7000 more copies – of this book in 2022 and gave out 2392 copies that year. In 2023 we distributed 3,168 copies. We now have just 1,440 books left for distribution in 2024.

We need your prayers and financial support to reach our goals and vision for 2024:

- Reprint *12 Seeds Growing in Love* – this will be the 3rd printing
- Reprint original *12 Seeds for Successful Relationships* – this will be the 6th printing
- Reprint the *12 Seeds Journal-Workbook*
- Spanish edition of *12 Seeds for Successful Relationships* – to be revised and reprinted
- Spanish edition of *12 Seeds Growing in Love* – to be printed
- Spanish edition of *12 Seeds Journal-Workbook* – to be printed
- Finish field testing and implement the *12 Seeds Growing in Love* correspondence course
- Set up on demand printing on Amazon.com for printed and digital copies of all our books.

Your gift toward these projects will be much appreciated!

We ask you to also prayerfully consider – **remembering Prison Mission Association in your will or trust.** This can help you reduce estate taxes and ensure the life transforming ministry you care about will always continue. Prayerfully consider helping our mission by making a gift that avoids probate. Just name Prison Mission Association as beneficiary on appreciated securities, retirement plans, insurance policies or real estate. Your prayers and financial gifts are needed and greatly appreciated. ***“that I might finish my course with joy, and the ministry, which I have received of the Lord Jesus, to testify the gospel of the grace of God.”*** - Acts 20:24

Keep praying, working and loving others to Christ! 1 Cor. 15:58

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