

Dear Friends of this Bible College Ministry,

Greetings to you at the start of this 2004 holiday season. How grateful we are to be able to serve the needs of prison inmates. Thank you for your prayer &/or financial support during this past year. It has been a challenging year of blessings & trials. I (Bruce) have been writing curriculum for the Bible college, learning more about myself as I have studied in the areas of shame & anger, and honoring my wife by doing some long-overdue house projects. Liz has been working to help with our financial needs. That job ended on September 29, 2004. We need more income to meet our own needs, and to be free to teach inmates wherever doors may open.



You would think that after many years as a Christian, I would have learned how to be thankful to God. I fail badly. During this season of the year, I am reminded of how blessed I am to be married to Liz, and to have children Dave (& Tiffany), Ann (& Jeff), & Bobby, and grandchildren Nicole & Caleb.

It is also a privilege to teach prison inmates each week, to hug them, to pray with them, and to tell them that we love them. A few weeks ago, one of my students in Bible Study Methods in Philippians shared in class how relevant the Bible courses are when the instructor is not afraid to share his own struggles, failures, and victories. I am grateful that God has given me the courage to share what I wrestle with, and how God's Word gives me the guidance to persevere toward honoring God with my thoughts, words, attitudes, and motives. I continue to learn that I am powerless to do anything without the limitless enabling of my Lord. Continue to pray for Liz & me as we seek His guidance for needed finances, wisdom for new materials, and protection from the darts of our enemy. We love you & pray that you will be encouraged today.

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