



North America

Madison Discipleship School – Brian Thompson

Praise

- For the help that we receive from our volunteers
- For safe travels for Brian and others during the months of November and December

Prayer

- For our students who cannot be with their families this holiday season.
- That we would have wisdom in counseling students on sensitive issues

Testimony

- Abel, a student of MDS, wrote, *Before knowing Jesus Christ, my life was a disaster. All my activities and peace were found in immorality and drugs. This was my refuge from all my problems. It was in jail where, for the first time, I heard about Jesus Christ. My first reaction was unbelief and rejection of the gospel. I came from the streets with much hatred toward everyone with anger and desires of vengeance. I was not interested in listening to the gospel nor pardoning anyone. I could not have done it. I thought: How could I pardon someone that has betrayed me and sent me to jail for many years? Time passed without a single change in me. It was when I was finally in prison that once again, I started to hear about Jesus Christ. Sometimes I went to the prison church with other inmates. That was when they told me we need to have Christ in our lives. Then I began to study the Bible, and although I was still resisting, little by little I was changing inside. I learned that if we permit God to direct our life and we sincerely put ourselves in His hands with a clean heart, we can achieve what He asks of us. It was then that I decided to stop fighting within myself and to accept Christ in my life. I can say that I am a very different person from the one I was when I arrived in jail. My life has changed much. I have learned to forgive, and I have left all my problems and anguish in the hands of God. Therefore, He has changed my way of expressing myself, the way I behave with my companions, and I try to see everyone through the eyes of the Lord Jesus Christ. Besides, I now feel peace and tranquility in my life that I do not know how to explain, but all of this would not have happened if I had not handed over my life to God and left all in His hands. Today I always give God thanks for all things received – the good, as well as what we believe is bad. "There hath no temptation taken you, but such as is common to man: but God is faithful, who will not suffer you to be tempted above that ye are able; but will with the temptation also make a way to escape, that ye may be able to bear it (1 Corinthians 10:13).*
- Clement wrote: *I know that I have received the Lord Jesus as my Savior and that my name is written in the Lamb's Book of Life. It has been a great blessing to give my heart to God through this study. I am rejoicing in Him and I have an interior peace in my being. Thank you for teaching me the way of truth to have eternal life through our Lord Jesus Christ.*

Canada – Joe and Penny Homontowski

Praise

- For the new home God gave us this year which has a nice place for our SLM office
- For the opportunity to sing with Gospel Echoes in the prison and the opportunities this will open for our ministry

Haiti – Claudy Jean Baptiste

Praise

- For the recent dedication ceremony of the SLM Haiti office
- That more Christians in the USA want to support the ministry of SLM in Haiti
- For 29 students who recently graduated

Prayer

- That students will live and practice the teachings they receive in the Bible courses
- For coworkers who help in the distribution and correction of lessons and for our Associate School Directors
- For the political and economic situation in Haiti

New Mexico – Darryl and Joan Evans

Testimony (From Bible Studies by Mail Prayer and Praise)

- Jeff wrote: *...Thank you so much for these studies. They really hit home - especially lessons 4 and 5 that deal with feeling inferior and not accepting myself. You really helped me and opened my eyes. Now I can go through the books and help others. Thank you so much! Much love to you all.*
- Beverly, seventy-four years old wrote: *When I was young my uncle would take me to church every Sunday. I loved the music and the sermon of the day. I came to want to be one of God's children. I worshiped God and read my Bible from front to back. I was baptized when I was 10 years old.*

Please keep all of our North American missionaries in your prayers.

- Madison Discipleship School – Brian Thompson
- Canada – Joe and Penny Homontowski
- Haiti – Claudy Jean Baptiste
- Jamaica
- Follow the Source – Don and Elaine Schiffer
- Kingston – Joy Webster
- Kansas – Leon and Susan Scott
- New Mexico – Darryl and Joan Evans