

Berean Prison Ministries

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The Spirit of the Lord God is upon me; because the Lord hath anointed me to preach good tidings unto the meek: He hath sent me to bind up the brokenhearted, to proclaim liberty to the captives, and the opening of the prison to them that are bound.

Isaiah 61:1

THREE GOOD THINGS

Enter into His gates with Thanksgiving and His courts with praise: be thankful unto Him and Bless His name. For the Lord is good, His mercy is everlasting; and His truth endureth to all generations.

Psalm 100:4-5

Cofounder Ed Meister always said the work of Berean Prison Ministries is the “Lords Work”. The psalmist said the “Lord is good” therefore, His work is good as over 300 volunteers carry on His work at Berean.

2017 marked 21 years for Berean Ministries. While many good things occurred, we will share just a few. First, our annual banquet in September was a highlight of the year. We were grateful for the support of over 250 guests. Good food, a testimony and music set the stage for our guest speaker, Levente Kovendi, Director of Romanian Berean Ministries. He spoke of the dedicated work of our volunteers in 23 prisons in Romania. We were also blessed with the generous giving.



Completion of the Berean video was another good thing. It is an excellent tool that shows others the work of Berean both in the United States and Romania.



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And our dedicated volunteers continue to be a good thing for which we are grateful. From going into jails/prisons and faithfully presenting the gospel with services, the spoken message, Bible studies, rap sessions and one on one visits, to sending out Bible studies, Bibles, and grading the Bible studies, you are all a blessing to this ministry.

Berean’s work is much like that of an oyster in creating a precious pearl. Prisoners incarcerated because they have irritated our legal system, can become a beautiful pearl by hearing and responding to the gospel (the pearl of great price).

Jesus called on all of us to extend help to those who hurt. Some of those hurting people are prisoners in our prison system. From volunteers to prayer and financial supporters we are thankful. All need to hear the good news that there is a Great Physician. “The Lord is good.”

It was a privilege to to share an evening with many of our volunteers and supporters at our annual Banquet. Thanks to all who took part by attending, giving, and/or serving. What an opportunity we have to be united in a common purpose; sharing the truth of the freedom in Jesus with those in prison and with each other.

Thank you!



FINANCIAL & PRAYER REQUESTS:

- All contributions of any amount to this ministry are gratefully received.
- For volunteers to serve in more prisons and jails in the U.S.
- For additional individuals to grade the Bible study lessons returned by inmates.

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Christmas
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Happy
New Year!*

INSPIRING NOTES & ARTWORK FROM INMATES

Matt. 25:36

“...I was in prison and ye came unto me.” Or as an inmate stated in his letter “What your Berean Prison Ministry did for me, you did for our Lord Jesus Christ.” May God continue to bless the Berean Prison Ministry as it impacts inmates’ lives for Christ in 2018. Thanks for being a supporter of this ministry outreach.

“I am an inmate at Blackwater River Correctional Facility. I have a very good friend/prayer partner. He actually helped me find God and we study together in your Berean Bible Study program. He showed me it and I was hoping I could start ASAP.”



“It is with a grateful heart that I’d like to take the opportunity to thank your ministry for the wonderful job you’re doing sharing the gospel to inmates. Watching my roommate in jail doing his homework assignments through Berean’s gave me the motivation to learn more about the work of God.”