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### Paperless Prisons Need Your Help!

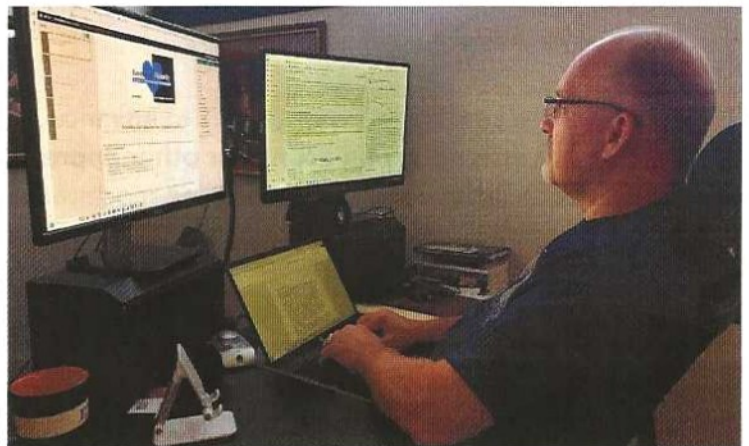
Dear Ministry Friends,

For decades, printed Bible studies from ARM's **American Bible Academy** have been provided for prisoners, impacting over a million incarcerated men and women. However, fewer prisons work that way any longer, as more facilities are going paperless. Today, secure tablets are replacing books, and these tablets include a learning platform for prisoners called Edovo. Thousands of incarcerated men and women already have access to Edovo.

Because of your generosity, ARM engages with the incarcerated on their computer tablets.

What has us especially energized, we aren't simply moving old lessons onto a screen, as they were in the books. Instead, every course is shaped for the interruptions that come with prison life and is formatted to make the content accessible to the average incarcerated person with a sixth-grade reading level. Lessons include: Plain language. Video instruction. Careful biblical exegesis that shows what the text meant then and what it requires of us now. Exam questions to test their understanding, and discussion prompts that challenge students to wrestle with God's Word in small groups.

The aim of ARM's content is never more information, but to see lives that change because of what Scripture teaches. We seek to help the incarcerated learn to handle conflict differently than they used to. Forgiveness goes from an idea on the page of a Bible to a letter written to a person who hurt them, saying, "I forgive you." Each Bible study focuses on preparing the incarcerated for reentry back into their communities by emphasizing who they are *becoming* in Christ, not just the date they walk out of the prison gate.



VP of Prison Services, Bert Park, building a digital lesson.

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Hundreds of prisoners are already starting new courses weekly. Men and women are choosing Scripture over distraction on their limited tablet time. Maxwell in South Carolina said the studies helped him "grow in my walk with Jesus, to build and not destroy." Miguel in California described learning empathy, critical thinking, emotional intelligence, and a determination to make a difference inside the prison. Such spiritual growth rarely remains private as inmates begin mentoring newer believers as discipleship groups form.

Your gift today can help fund our August project: a new course from the Sermon on the Mount that will eventually reach thousands with transformative teaching. We need your help to fund video editing, Bible study content writing, and discussion questions for the new course. Each dollar given helps move the project closer to completion.

- \$20 covers one hour of content creation.
- \$80 funds half a day of careful exegesis and lesson development.
- \$160 supports a full day of work on lessons inmates will study this winter.
- \$800 covers a full week, enough to complete a major section of the new course.
- \$3,200 would fully underwrite the entire month of August's content development.

Whether you give for one hour or a full week, you are directly shaping the discipleship resources men and women will use to grow in obedience to Jesus. Your partnership turns a blank screen into a tool the Holy Spirit will use to change lives, form mentors, and plant seeds of hope inside prisons.

Will you help us create what's next? Every gift, at any level, moves the Gospel forward.

With eager expectation,



Troy B. Nelson  
CEO/Donor Advisor

PS: If you are considering a larger gift to advance ARM's work, you may be able to use **non-cash assets such as stocks, real estate, or other appreciated property**. These gifts often provide significant tax advantages while helping reach thousands more incarcerated men and women with the hope of the Gospel. To learn how you can use your non-cash assets to support one of these transformational giving levels, please visit [arm.org/planned-giving](http://arm.org/planned-giving) today.