

Testimonies Received In March 2013

Dear Mentor

Hi and how are you? My name is Isobella, I am a 29 year old female. Married with (4) four children- one is adopted - I am from Kerema district in the gulf province of Papua New Guinea. I'm the last of four siblings.

I was detained in prison on 27th of July 2008. I'm waiting for my trial - I'm not yet convicted. Anyway life in prison is very very hard but in God I can cope. I really do get comfort from God through His words. With God all things are possible and He gives us strength. Mathew 19:26, Philippians 4:13

When I first came to prison I was very depressed but this particular scripture gave me strength and changed the way I was thinking, totally changed my mind set. Proverbs 20:30 "Sometimes it takes a painful experience to make us change our ways." (Good News) I started doing crossroads bible institute bible studies in 2011. I really enjoyed the study it helps me to know my failures. Also I can really share my believes and know more about the Bible. I really appreciate this bible study in prison. This bible lesson also keeps me busy and keeps my mind occupied. I'm really excited that I will have a Mentor for myself. I'm looking forward to completing this lesson, " 10 Women You should Know"
Yours Sincerely, Isabella P.N.G.

Thank you for your words of encouragement, Sister in Christ. You have restored my faith that there are women in the body of Christ that are living, breathing, and obeying our Master's Voice. How do I know may you ask: Luke 6:45. A good man out of the good treasure of his heart bringeth forth that which is good, and an evil man out of evil treasures of his heart bringeth forth that which is evil: for of the abundance of the heart his mouth speaketh. (KJV) The words you spoke to me Sister in Christ were from good treasures , which can only come from obedience and complete surrender to God. I pray Sister in Christ, God will meet all your needs and you will be filled and moved by the Spirit into every good work. Remember our Father loves you and nothing can separate you from the love of God and will draw a picture of his LOVE for you. (Here a cross was drawn)
With love, your Brother in Christ. Hosanna in the Highest to our Lord Jesus. Martin AUS

To Crossroads Staff

There are times that I ask myself if my life is no longer a bright promise. There are night hours that I rehearsed the regrets of my past....But then I realised that God is the great

promise keeper. I count on what He has promised. He is already aware of every poor choice I have done, every lost opportunity and every wasted second. He knows, and my mistakes grieve Him. Yet He takes you and me and restores hope to our lives. As you go home and be reunited with your family, my prayer and hope is that you will use your time wisely. "So teach us to number our days, that we may apply our hearts unto wisdom" Psalm 90:12 I will always pray and remember your ministry my dear brethren. If God will bless me once again then it will be such a joy to support Crossroads financially. Thank you for ministering to me through your letters and lessons... such a big encouragement. I will always cherish those moments and will always be eternally grateful. I will take it one day at a time for the remaining 37 weeks of my sentence here. God knows our needs as His children and He will use people to bless us as He touches their hearts.

A SEASON FOR EVERYTHING.....

To everything there is a season, a time to every purpose under heavens.

A time to be born and a time to die.

A time to plant and a time to pluck up that which is planted.

A time to kill and a time to heal.

A time to breakdown and a time to build up.

A time to weep and a time to laugh.

A time to mourn and a time to dance.

A time to cast away stones, and a time to gather stones together.

A time to embrace, and a time to refrain from embracing.

A time to get and a time to loose.

A time to keep and a time to cast away.

A time to rend and a time to sew.

A time to keep silence and a time to speak.

A time to love and a time to hate.

A time of war and a time of peace.

"Being a male is a matter of birth, Being a man is a of choice. Being a Godly man is a matter of selflessness for the Glory of the Creator of man "

"May I share with you the lessons I've learnt from God this week..."

"When a Man changes the entire family is blessed."

Family gives you a past and a future.

When you live, what you teach, your family has no trouble following.

Sharing and caring creates a better you.

Your best friends are your family members.

Don't compromise to be recognised. You'll be recognised because you don't compromise.

Family gives you reason to press on. Relationship is most important thing to God, both

our relationship with Him and with people around us. To bless people you have to be willing to enter their lives and even share their lives to some extent so they might share the life that God has given you. You cannot love people from a distant... we cannot expect the Good News to be received as good news unless we are prepared to love those to whom we are bringing it.

In Christ, Love and Mercy, Jandro (AUS)

Hi , Hello and how are you there in Australia. I hope that you are fine. Also, how is your work, family and I hope it is also OK! Instructor, I am very fine here in Fiji prison and last week I got to visit my family and they are also good. When we arrived here at 8:15 am we had our breakfast than I was allowed to see my dad who was lying inside. (His father had passed away and he was allowed to attend the funeral) After that I asked all my family that I wanted to say something. Then they asked me what was it that you wanted to say? I told them since I am in prison, my whole life has changed, automatically, since I have received Jesus. And all my worries I have shared with Him. Then I told my family all about my case that causes me to be in prison today. You know what they did when I reconciled with them, my son on behalf of my whole family accepted my reconciliation and they have agreed with me and felt sorry with me. We all cried and after that same day I know that something very heavy has gone out of me. We left my home back for prison at 6:30pm and when we came back my officer (who accompanied him) wrote a very good report of our trip to my father's funeral.

Mr, Miss, one special request I would like to make to you is, that I lost my N.I.V. Bible sometime ago. But I used to ask my friend to give me his Bible but last week he got discharged and I could not get a Bible from anyone else. Please send me one more N.I.V. Bible if you can then I will be very happy and that will help me do my lessons. Ok my friend I believe that I should pen off for now. Thank you, Nemani Fiji

I want to thank God for this wonderful time and also thank all the Pastors and teachers and family of this Bible school for allowing me to do this study. It has been helping me a lot especially my relationship with God. I started to restore back my relationship with the Lord Jesus Christ. This study has been helping me in my research in the Bible, although at this present time I am in prison I do not have much resource for study , like books and pens . But I am totally relying on the Holy Spirit and asking to give me knowledge and wisdom in order for me to do this course.

Thanks, Osea Fiji.

Thank you for sending me the N.I. V. Holy Bible with Bible study resources . I have been praying for such a Bible and with much joy I know that God touched you all. I give thanks to our Lord every day for giving you the message of my need. I asked Our Lord to touch you all and let you know how big my heart is and that many more like myself

join Crossroad Bible Study and learn the new life that I have in our Lord Jesus and in Crossroads, who are guiding myself and my wife in Jesus Name Amen,
Paul (AUS)

It's been a pleasure for me to receive this teaching about the Bible. Actually, it has helped me a lot, for example in my behaviour. I'm feeling kind of strange, I'm starting to change, I can feel it, so thanks to you guys. I would like to tell you what I would like you to pray for me: Firstly me living here in this home, my family, my boyfriend/ex, my court case, me and myself, and all those little things you guys know about, life, especially when we are in danger and our lives are miserable we need help and things.
Ms Deian Tonga.

Mrs Anne or whom it may concern,

I Gavin wish to do Crossroads Bible correspondence. But haven't received the paper work or study yet so if you could please send me the study again, it must have got lost. But I would really love a new study as I am very interested in doing correspondence Bible study.

Yours sincerely (AUS)

I am continuing to grow in the grace and knowledge of our Lord and Saviour Jesus, thank you for these great lessons. Your word is a Lamp to my feet and God's word helps me see. 13 months clean and free from drugs and drinking. There are many temptations in jail and I have conquered all of these temptations by reading and learning more about our God and Saviour Jesus Christ, Thank you for saving me from these temptations.

Andreas (Aus)

I have now completed my Great Truth of the Bible Course. I'm really helped by your Bible Institute. Without your help and having a heart for us, I don't know when I will change my life. I'm really thankful to God for the help that you have given us prisoners in the Solomons. Rove correctional Centre should be a Bible Institute for Solomon Islands prisoners with the help of Solomon Island Government but nothing since then. Thank you very much for your great support to our Christian life. God bless all the staff, directors, instructors and supporters of Crossroad Bible Institute. Continue with your good work in reaching out to others with the Word of God. God bless you and your families. Thank You. Pray for my family especially for my children's education. I'm in prison and my children have problems with their school fees. I hope with God's help and mercy my children should be OK. Stephen SI.