



Oscar, pictured above, can't hide his joy as he finds true freedom in Christ. Released from jail, he now shares the Gospel with his family.

2020 MINISTRY IMPACT

Albania, Argentina, Chile, Colombia, Dominican Republic, Ethiopia, Ghana, Honduras, Indonesia, Kenya, Malawi, Mexico, Mozambique, Nicaragua, Paraguay, Peru, Philippines, South Africa, Spain, Trinidad & Tobago, U.S., Venezuela, Zambia.



66,424 Prisoners
Engaged in God's Word



94,382
Bibles Utilized



113,328
Biblical Resources Utilized

Your support of Bible League International's work in prisons helped inmates worldwide engage in God's Word and discover true freedom in Jesus. Your gift is growing God's Church behind bars. A new, multi-year partnership with Prison Fellowship International will see it grow even more in the years ahead. Thank you for sharing the Gospel.

The Difference You Make

Oscar is courteous with a consistent smile. He's so pleasant, it's hard to believe this 27-year-old was ever incarcerated. But a co-worker tricked him and withdrew cash from their workplace. Oscar was held liable and given the option to pay the monies back. "I didn't know it wasn't his card," he says. "I couldn't pay the money, so I was taken to court."

While in prison, a pastor invited him to a *Project Philip* Bible study. "Going through the lessons helped me to understand what I was reading," he says. "And they equipped us to share it with fellow inmates." He says receiving a Prison Bible, and learning how to share the Gospel, gave his life new purpose.

Although he faces stigma from society, Oscar sees himself through Christ's eyes. And now, so does his family. He beams when he talks about them seeing the change in him. He got up at 4 am to pray, consistently. "At first my family thought I was pretending, but then realized I'd truly changed. I even talked to my little sister about the Word of God," he grins.

The Year in Review

For those behind bars, lockdown is already a way of life. Yet, despite the ways COVID-19 slowed ministry in prisons, you helped to engage many in God's Word.

In 2020, believers in Colombia, Spain, Honduras, and several countries in the Caribbean were trained to lead Bible League's *Prison Project Philip* Bible studies through the new partnership with Prison Fellowship. Your support and the support of others also helped provide easy-to-read Prison Bibles for inmates who completed Prison Fellowship's evangelistic study. Although prison ministry was put on hold in most areas, many were still able to complete their training with your help.

“Your unwavering devotion to God's Word touches lives. Thank you.”

In Kenya, ministry leaders found creative ways to engage inmates in God's Word despite increased restrictions by training prison staff and selected inmates as Philips (*Project Philip* Bible study leaders). In Mexico, a dedicated Philip named Noel shared the Gospel with inmates every time he visited his brother. In Colombia, there are more prisoners than available Bibles due to coronavirus, so committed inmates are sharing their Bibles until more can come in. Inmates at the Cook County Jail in Chicago, Illinois, are also requesting more materials because the desire for God's Word is so great.

One U.S. inmate known for her hard reputation is reaching many who've been drawn by her transformation. A drug dealer previously called



These inmates in Colombia are receiving Prison Bibles from a dedicated Bible League-trained pastor.

“the baddest of the bad” by prison staff is now known as “the Apostle Pauline” because of her radical outreach. One staffer says, “This last year has seen God use her to reach hundreds for Christ using the easy-to-read Prison Bible.” With your help, prisoners around the world are discovering the joy that only Christ can bring. Thank you! And give thanks and praise to God for how He uses you to transform lives like hers.

Thank You

Your gift helped thousands of prisoners learn how to share the Good News with those needing it most through *Prison Project Philip*, Church Planter Training, and Prison Fellowship International's *The Prisoner's Journey* evangelistic study based on the Gospel of Mark. God's Word is transforming the lives of prisoners thanks to you.

“Go therefore and make disciples of all the nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all things that I have commanded you; and lo, I am with you always, even to the end of the age.” Amen. Matthew 28:19-20 NKJV