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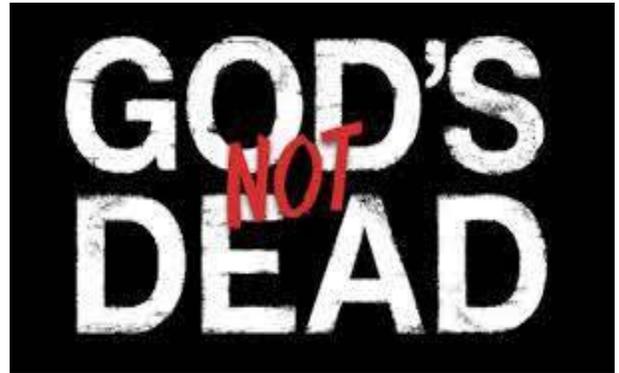
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Research Project

Your help is sought on a research effort being conducted by Paul Drydale. Paul's goal is to develop a non-denominational Christian Apologetics Study Program focused toward *prison ministries*. After receiving his A.A. in Bible from York College, Paul received his MDiv from Lubbock Christian. He should graduate next year with a DMin in Christian Apologetics from Southern Evangelical Seminary. Paul states: "I am not looking for funding but rather a way to solicit input on what type of apologetic materials would be most useful for those involved in a prison ministry environment. Once the project is complete I would make it freely available to whatever prison ministries would find it useful." To participate in the project, go to <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/S59BT8B>. It might help to that Paul has in mind using this material to defend the faith against the seemingly hiddenness/silence of God, the problem of evil, the naturalistic/atheistic worldview, the reliability of the Bible, the existence of God, etc. Brother Drydale also states: "I am looking at a several hundred-page resource document with study materials that could either be delivered by a Christian teacher or be used as a self-directed study program depending on the need."



Be Ready to Help – 2016 “Day of Giving”

NewLife Behavior Ministries was invited last year to benefit from the “Day of Giving” hosted by the Coastal Bend Community Foundation. This is an intense 24-hour period during which online donations are made and, being our first experience, we had no idea what we were doing. Still, we set a goal of raising \$50,000. The CBCF’s offer of over \$16,000 in matching funds highly motivated us and with the help of so many of YOU . . . we received \$46,745.70!



One important lesson we learned last year is the value of social media. When we were interviewed on TV, we had friends add that clip on Facebook and it was sent to many others. We want to take greater advantage of that this year by asking ALL our friends to send out this message to many more. When the “word” goes out to all our “friends,” we will be richly blessed once again (and even *much more* so). In fact, we are aiming for \$75,000 this year!

When IS the day? **November 15**. Go to www.coastalbenddayofgiving.org and follow the prompts. You may go online as early as 12:01 a.m. We are notified each time a donation is made and the NLB office “lights up.” They also give us the new accumulated “total” at that moment. **The “matching” amount this year is \$16,111!** If you need help, you can come by the office and we will help “walk you through” the process. We will have refreshments and you can sit and enjoy the time with us. In 2015, we reached the “matching” sum by noon. It is very exciting! The final gifts come in at 11:59 p.m. As last year, some will prefer to send a gift in advance and will receive “credit” for it on November 15th as long as it is designated for this special day. Thank you for your prayers, support and encouragement.

In Memory–In Honor

We rejoice we those that rejoice and we weep with those that weep. We appreciate gifts to *NewLife Behavior Ministries* both in memory of friends and loved ones and in “living honor” of those who have brought deep meaning to our lives. We want you to know that we acknowledge each gift and notify those requested (please be sure to supply full mailing/address information). Such contributions are a way to help NLBM and offers eternal blessings for others.

Received from:

Buck & Janet Griffith
John Henry Pruitt
Charlsy Ford

In Loving Memory of:

Ruby Murphey
Pinky Bates
Mary Dunham

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Larry & Barbara Royal
Edith Larson
Tony Craig

In Loving Memory of:

W. Vern Tobias
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NLBM Needs Businesses . . .

Businesses Need NLBM

In our July issue, we discussed how appreciative we are for donations from businesses and the positive impact it has on reducing crime. Thank you for your kind comments. It appears that this is especially beneficial in the “insurance” arena due to less payouts for losses and ultimately, lower premiums to businesses. In the long-run, prices for products can come down, employee salaries can go up, and more profits to businesses. It is a *win-win* proposition.



Let’s take another look at *employees* . . . A recent poll was conducted by *Refresh Leadership* (the Express Employment Professionals blog for business leaders). Readers were asked for their preferred method to give back to their communities. **The top choice (26%)... through donations to charitable organizations.** In second place (17%) was

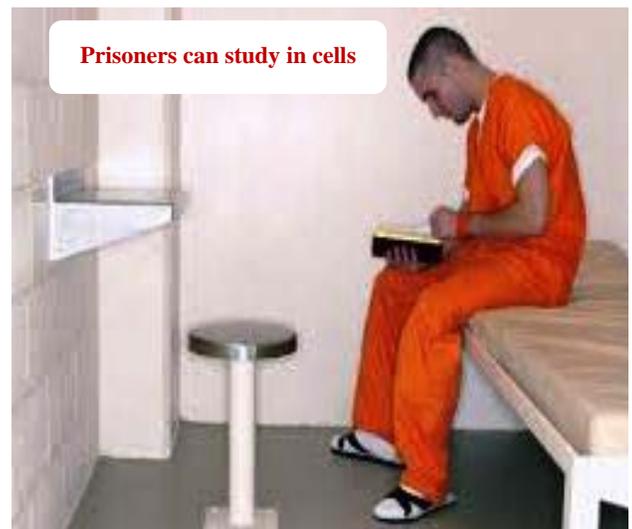
food, clothing or blood drives. Company-wide volunteer events were slightly ranked above employees being given “time off” to participate as volunteers in community events (12.5% to 12%). Some employees prefer that the firm “match” their gifts to favorite charities (7%). Only 4% indicated that they did not want their company to contribute to non-profits. *Very interesting.*

Correspondence Course Programs

It is expensive to carry out a correspondence program. Costs include paper, envelopes, postage plus added work to grade the lessons. This is especially true of NLB courses since there are 13 lessons per series. Each lesson is 12 letter-size pages. Even if printed on both sides, each lesson requires 6 pages. One 1st-class stamp is required for every three pages in a #10 envelope, including another envelope for the student to return his or her lesson to be graded. **Still, we encourage workers to have a correspondence ministry for the following reasons . . .**

- The total number taught is much greater.
- Students can study at their own pace.
- Reach souls in places where we are unable to go.
- Correspondence lessons teach in an orderly, consistent and systematic way.
- Lessons are shared with other truth-seekers and held for further reflection over and over again.

Here is what we are doing to reduce costs: Lessons are being formatted on 6 letter-size pages. This means a 50% reduction in everything, including postage. We are only eliminating the illustrations. 100% of the written material is retained on a CD similar to the original course. We have been asked the cost of a CD? All we ask is that you have already paid for the original license to the course. Naturally, you are more than welcome



to make a “contribution” to *NewLife Behavior* at any time!.