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Dear Friends of IPM,

A letter that we recently received from Jason M., from a South Carolina Prison, reminds us how important the individual members of the body of Christ are to the function of the whole body. Jason writes: *"I want to thank everyone who has a part in sending devotionals and other books. Thank you for sending me literature that has been a blessing to me. I want to thank anyone who has made this ministry possible for people like me."*

Those who faithfully pray or support the work of the Lord through IPM are a vitally important part of this ministry. This makes it possible for us to minister to people like Jason. Every believer is a vital part of the body of Christ and contributes to the function and ministry of the whole body. *"So we, being many, are one body in Christ, and every one members one of another...From whom the whole body fitly joined together and compacted by that which every joint supplieth, according to the effectual working in the measure of every part..."* (Romans 12:5; Ephesians 4:16).

God has placed each member of the body of Christ as He sees fit. He also promises to equip us for His service. *"But now hath God set the members every one of them in the body, as it hath pleased him...For it is God which worketh in you both to will and to do of his good pleasure"* (1 Corinthians 12:18; Philippians 2:13). God has placed us exactly where He wants us to be to function in our individual roles to be used for His purpose and His glory.

Even though many of us have different roles, we all contribute through watering, planting, praying or giving to the

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important work of harvesting souls for God's kingdom. We all can rejoice together as laborers in the harvest. *"Now he that planteth and he that watereth are one...For we are labourers together with God..."* (1 Corinthians 3:8-9).

Finally, when we depend upon the Lord Jesus to be living in us and working through us, we can be certain that our work for Him will not be vain self-effort, mere works of the flesh. *"Therefore, my beloved brethren, be ye steadfast, unmovable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, forasmuch as ye know that your labour is not in vain in the Lord"* (1 Corinthians 15:58).

We are so grateful to the Lord for everyone who contributes to the work of this ministry. Even though you are not here physically, it is as though you are actually packaging the many Bibles, devotional books, and testimonial books and placing them into the hands of individual prisoners who are hungry for the word of God. All praise to our Wonderful Savior!

Praising the Lord for All Who Take Part in This Ministry,



Heidi Hoekstra-Ceballos

(for all of our "Chaplain Ray Family" and the IPM team)

P.S. Our appreciation gift this month is Gretchen and Nick by Max Call.



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are one body in Christ..."*
- Romans 12:5