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Dear Brethren,

I hope all of you are doing well. We will be having a gospel meeting starting Sunday with Dan Melhus from Livingston. We'll be handing out flyers door to door. It is always exciting to think of the possibilities because the power of the gospel is still there, and every door we knock on, behind that door usually is a lost soul. I'll see how my leg holds out. I left the prison about two weeks ago and had to use the cart to get around at Walmart because I was in such pain. I'm going to the Dr. Oct. 1, the very day my Medicare starts.

Thursday morning at the prison we have the "church of Christ" class as the prison calls it. It is the class that the men are to be allowed to get off work and go to as their religious right. Some of their bosses put a guilt trip on them because they don't have enough help and these men are usually the best workers. We now have about 18 in the small classroom and we can't fit too many more in. But some will come, and then some will go as they see this is not what they expected. In this class I can teach whatever I want. I don't try to offend people, but I am teaching my brethren truths they need to know. There are some Catholics in the class, and this week the study will be about what the Bible says about having the Pope. But Sam keeps bringing men in. They are first exposed to the truth by Sam, but then more as they come to the study. Sam has studies on his wing with whomever will come. Sometimes it is with one - - sometimes with several.

On Friday mornings the study is in the auditorium and there are about 28 in attendance. We are studying history and geography of the Bible, with the view of the scheme of redemption - - that scarlet thread we see from Gen 3:15 all the way through the Bible and we see it get brighter and brighter until the Messiah arrives. In this class I have to be more careful not to call denominational names. If someone asks about the Catholic Pope, I have to say I can't talk about the pope, but I'll show you what the Bible says about the organization of the church, and anything beyond that is not Biblical. So the truth is still taught, it just has to be stated positively and not negatively. Some of these men have been in my classes for Hebrews, Philippians, and now in for a long haul in this study. And there is none that disagree openly.

One preacher, Art Moody, is willing to help me with the prison classes. He has just started the red tape by applying to be accepted as a volunteer, and when he gets in, this will give me relief, and then I can possibly start more classes. I know they want a regular Sunday meeting at the SAFP Facility at Estelle. Pronounced "SAFE P," the Texas Substance Abuse Felony Punishment Facility (SAFPF). This is a part of the state's Substance Abuse Treatment Program (SATP) run by the Rehabilitation Division of the Texas Justice system. This program is designed to give drug abuse treatment inside, and then later, outside Texas prisons. It is supposed to provide treatment for those addicted to drugs. Hopefully these won't keep coming back.

I am so appreciative of you who are co-workers with me in spreading the gospel. You uplift me and encourage me to keep on reaching out to bring the gospel to the lost. As is common, a prisoner came to me and said, "I am so glad I got caught and am here, for I would probably be dead out there. But mainly I probably would never have learned the truth out there." You have a part in this - - I couldn't do it without your help and prayers. Please keep praying for open doors!

Yours in Him who saves,
Robert