

Mountain State Ministries P.O. Box 217 Springfield, WV 26763 MountainStateMinistries.org

Dear Friend,

Thank you for your interest in the New Life Christian Growth Correspondence Course offered by County Wide Prison Ministries. At this time, health issues have forced Mr. Ray Witmer Jr. to retire from his duties as Director of the ministry. CWPM formally ended its services on 01 January 2017 and will not be taking on new enrollees.

The New Life Christian Growth Correspondence Course is now offered by Mountain State Ministries. We have enrolled you in our first year Series – Salvation. It is made up of daily lessons designed to introduce you to Jesus Christ and the Bible. I hope you find it helpful in your journey through this life. Our first year Series – Salvation includes:

- 1. NLCGS Christianity 101, Booklet #1, Booklet #2, Booklet #3 Certificate Presented
- NLCGS John Chapters 01-06, Booklet #4, John Chapters 07-12, Booklet #5, John Chapters 13-18, Booklet #6, John Chapters 19-21, Booklet#7 – Certificate Presented
- 3. NLCGS 1 John, Booklet #8, Ephesians Chapters 1-5, Booklet #9, Ephesians Chapters 5-6 Booklet #10, Colossians & Titus, Booklet #11 Certificate Presented
- 4. NLCGS Year 1 Test, Booklet #12 Certificate Presented for Passing Test

Enclosed you will find Booklet #1, "Christianity 101." Please read the instructions a few times prior to putting pen to paper. The individual lessons are designed to be completed daily so you can meditate on the material. Any Review Sections returned less than 30 days from the time it was mailed, will not be accepted. Please spend time with the Lord in prayer and ask Him to help you learn the material.

You can also write to us with any questions you may have about the study, our ministry, your spiritual needs, or prayer requests. Also, please let us know if you need a Bible.

Your Servant In Christ,

Jeff Wilt, Director Mountain State Ministries

------ Please Cut & Return with First Lesson ------

STUDENT COMMITMENT: By signing this agreement, I promise to do my best to faithfully complete each course that I start in a timely manner. I want to be held accountable to this commitment because I want to grow spiritually.

Print Name:	Signature:	Date:
-------------	------------	-------

HOW TO BECOME A FOLLOWER OF CHRIST

Step one - You must realize you are a sinner.

"For all have sinned, and come short of the glory of God." Romans 3:23, "If we say that we have not sinned, we make him a liar, and his word is not in us." I John 1:10

Step Two - You must realize you can't save yourself.

"Jesus answered and said unto him, Verily, verily, I say unto thee, Except a man be born again, he cannot see the kingdom of God." John 3:3, "Not by works of righteousness which we have done, hut according to his mercy he saved us, by the washing of regeneration, and renewing of the Holy Ghost." Titus 3:5

Step three - You must realize that Jesus Christ came into the world and gave His life to save sinners.

"For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life." John 3:16, "This is a faithful saying, and worthy of all acceptation, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners: of whom I am chief." I Timothy 1:15

Step four - You must repent: be sorry for your sins and turn from them.

"Then Peter said unto them, Repent, and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ for the remission of sins, and ye shall receive the gift of the Holy Ghost." Acts 2:38, "He that covereth his sins shall not prosper: hut whoso confesseth and forsaketh them shall have mercy." Pro 28:13

Step five - You must confess (tell) your sins to God who alone has power to save and to cleanse from sin through the blood of Jesus.

"I acknowledged my sin unto thee, and mine iniquity have I not hid. I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the LORD; and thou forgavest the iniquity of my sin." Psalm 32:5, If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins, and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness." I John 1:9

Step six - You must call upon Jesus Christ in sincere and earnest prayer.

"And whatsoever ye shall ask in my name that will I do that the Father may be glorified in the Son." John 14:13, "And call upon me in the day of trouble I will deliver thee and thou shalt glorify me" Psalm 50:15

Step seven - You must believe and by faith receive Jesus so He can control your life.

"Therefore I say unto you, What things soever ye desire, when ye pray, believe that ye receive them, and ye shall have them." Mark 11:24, "But as many as received him, to them gave he power to become the sons of God, even to them that believe on his name." John 1:12

Open your heart now and receive Jesus Christ as your Savior! You can do this by praying the following prayer:

Father, I know that I have broken your laws and my sins have separated me from you. I am truly sorry, and now I want to turn away from my past sinful life toward you. Please forgive me, and help me avoid sinning again. I believe that your son, Jesus Christ died for my sins, was resurrected from the dead, is alive, and hears my prayer. I invite Jesus to become the Lord of my life, to rule and reign in my heart from this day forward. Please send your Holy Spirit to help me obey You, and to do Your will for the rest of my life. In Jesus' name I pray, Amen."

You are now a child of God, cleansed by the blood, and adopted into His family. If you have accepted Jesus Christ as your Savior, please write us and let us know. We can provide you a Bible and help you begin your Christian journey!

2