Loaves & Fishes Report

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Publishing Loaves & Fishes, the free discipleship magazine for prisoners.

Together We Reached the Goal!

Dear partner in the Loaves & Fishes project,

I have great news to share with you this month. As I wrote earlier, our goal is to print *Loaves & Fishes* every quarter. With your help and the Lord's, another issue of *Loaves & Fishes* mailed out on January 15**– three months after the October issue!** Hallelujah!

I am deeply encouraged to see the response of our donors in the past five months since we started publishing the "*Loaves & Fishes* Reports." If we all keep working together, it looks promising to publish four issues of *Loaves & Fishes* in 2010.

You are a valuable part of the work of *Loaves & Fishes*. We want to sincerely thank you for your help. Whether you pray, share money, or invest time in the ministry – you are partners with us in this work.

Mail Room Update

Darold (my dad) has moved into a new office, and we've converted his previous one into a dedicated mail room with its own computer and printer to manage the ever-increasing volume of mail and subscriptions.

Robert Miller and his family have moved from Michigan now, and Robert and his wife are responsible to sort and process the daily mail. Robert is also learning how to manage our subscriptions database and do presort mailings. Things are going well in the mail room, and we are very pleased to have their help. This is a wonderful answer to prayer!

A Big Step Forward

We bought a used address printer machine for \$1,200 that prints addresses directly on the *Loaves & Fishes* single subscriptions. It eliminates the step of printing





6 Tons of Loaves & Fishes Booklets

Travis County Jail • Austin, TX

Chaplain John Sherman:

"Thanks a million for the *Loaves & Fishes* recently sent to the unit. I appreciate so very much your concern for the men who are incarcerated. Many of them are desperately trying to make a change. Many have found the power of God's word and the encouragement through books and booklets like *Loaves & Fishes."*

"The quality and quantity are perfect. I put them out on tables in the back of our chapel. The men devour them. Most often they are gone within a couple of days.

"Thanks again for your labor of love. As you know we have no budget dollars whatsoever. That is why your gifts mean so much to us and the ministry that God has given to us here at Travis County State Jail."





Quantity Subscriptions Over half of the booklets are sent in boxes of varying sizes.



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labels, is more efficient than our other machine, and does a much better print job. This machine is another answer to prayer!

Volunteers and Mailing

The last *Loaves & Fishes* booklets were delivered here on January 12. My wife's family came from New York to help prepare the booklets for mailing. In two days we were able to get all the quantity subscriptions boxed up and all the single subscriptions addressed and ready for the mail truck.

The Lord miraculously opened the door for the mail truck to take



Single Subscriptions These booklets are addressed, banded into packages and put in mail sacks.









the entire mailing in one load the following day!

Prayer Requests

We are rejoicing that the Lord made it possible to publish another issue of *Loaves & Fishes* so quickly. Our goal is to continue this schedule as the Lord provides.

Please pray for funds to make this a reality in 2010 and for God's leading as we prepare new issues for publication. As I write this, money is really tight, but we trust the faithfulness of God and hope for your continued partnership with us in this work.

- Lavern Gingerich



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