



ANCHOR REPRINT

We have just placed an order for 25,000 copies of An Anchor for the Soul to replenish our stock in the Book Depot. Over the last 3 years we have distributed almost 50,000 copies of Anchor to prison and military ministries and to individuals and churches involved in direct evangelism.

We couldn't do this without the help of our friends at Moody Publishing who graciously arrange these low cost printings. In order to lower costs, all the Moody Publishing profits and author royalties are removed. Using a simple cover design and less expensive paper, each copy costs 50 cents. The entire cost for this reprint, including shipping, will be less than \$14,000!

During the last part of 2009 we began to partner with the Mailbox Club in sending Anchors into prisons in West Virginia and Tennessee. Peter Faulkner, KBM board member and Mailbox Club staff member, initiated the contacts and headed up this outreach.

Each book distributed through this KBM-Mailbox Club partnership includes a note from Ray and an invitation to sign up for a simple correspondence course through the Mailbox Club. In this way the prisoners not only hear the gospel, they also can begin their first steps of growth in the Christian life.



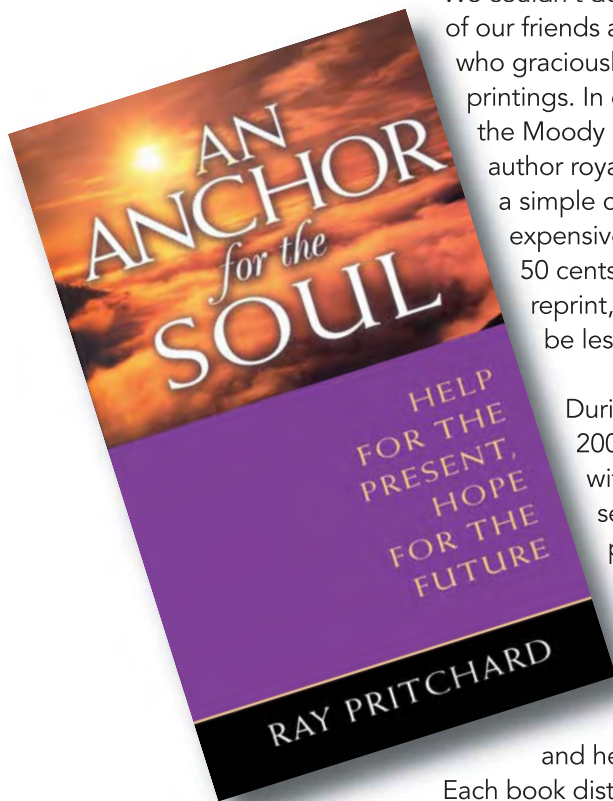
Over the years we have received thousands of letters from prisoners around the US who have read Anchor and many of those have accepted Christ. Only eternity will tell the complete story!

Here are some comments we've received recently about Anchor.

"This book should be read by everyone. After reading An Anchor for my Soul I felt compelled to write a letter. I bought several copies of the book and passed them on. Two years ago I was writing a prisoner and had the book sent to him. It changed his life! My husband has asked me to get him 5 copies to give to his friends in A.A. and a relative who is beginning to ask questions about God."

— A Woman in NJ

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"We received the shipment of "An Anchor for the Soul". You will never know how very much I appreciate this tremendous gift to this ministry. I have training for 95 volunteers coming up soon at which time I plan to give one of these books to each of them. I am requesting that they read it and then plan to use the book in their sharing with the inmates – and even give these inmates a copy of the book. I am sure looking forward to using the book in the ministry."

– A Prison Chaplain

"Anchor for the Soul spelled out to me in plain simple English the truth about God, man, sin, and salvation. I continue to review it from time to time, to help me solidify what I believe and why, so that I am always equipped to share the Gospel unbelievers. Anchor for the Soul IS THE BEST little Gospel book in the world and I am determined to never run out of people to give it to!"

– A woman who uses Anchor in personal evangelism

"I read Anchor while I was in prison. I've been released and completed my probation time of 3 years. It is good to know that I am saved by the Lord Jesus – paid in full."

– a young man from Massachusetts.

"I received your book from Crossroad Bible Institute. I would just like to say your book really inspires me. Thank you for sharing the Holy Spirit around the world. It reached me at San Quentin State Prison."

– John, an inmate at San Quentin

We know God will provide the funds needed to pay for this printing, but if you want to partner with us in this evangelistic outreach we would love to have you join us! You can do so by marking "Anchor Project" on the enclosed card and mailing your donation to KBM in the enclosed envelope.

BEHIND THE SCENES

Two volunteers behind the scenes make the distribution of An Anchor for the Soul possible. Doreen Mahlstedt filters requests and sends approved requests on to Ernie Schulz who oversees the warehousing of Anchor and prepares the books for shipment to ministries and individuals all over the US.

Ernie and his wife of 52 years live in Chicago and are the parents of three grown children and proud grandparents of 8. He retired from Siemens International where he worked as an electronics technician building motors for nuclear medicine scanners. Ernie and Jean are members of Calvary Memorial Church in Oak Park where he helps prepare the Wednesday night dinners. Both he and Jean have faithfully served their church family by doing "behind the scene" tasks cheerfully and without fanfare.

When asked why he chose to be involved in the Anchor project, Ernie replied, "I wanted to be involved in evangelism and this is one way I can do that." We appreciate Ernie's faithful service to KBM and know there will be many people in heaven because of his heart for evangelism.

Doreen and her husband Scott were part of Calvary Memorial Church in Oak Park before they moved to rural Indiana. They own a computer and



graphics company and attend a small church in Stroh where Doreen serves in women's leadership and also in her local Bible Study Fellowship group. They have 2 grown children and 4 grandchildren.

Doreen enjoys kayaking and all things equestrian and has a

stained glass business called Glasswish.com that specializes in equestrian stained glass windows and panels.

When asked why she is involved with the Anchor Book Depot, Doreen wrote "Scott and I lived in Oak Park during the week for years. We attended Pastor Ray's Wednesday night Bible Study and met some wonderful people. One of those wonderful people, Davis Duggins, contacted us and asked us if we would consider becoming involved in a "new" group called the Anchor Team. That was a no brainer! With our schedule it was one way I could serve! I feel so blessed to be on the Anchor Team. Even on those hum-drum days when it seems like nothing's happening I can close my eyes and imagine thousands and thousands of little Anchor books flying around the world....spreading the good news of Jesus Christ. Our God is so awesome!"

We're so thankful for Ernie and Doreen and wanted you to meet them!



AFRICA

Keep Believing Ministries is going to Africa! We place a high priority on working alongside other established ministries to provide encouragement and help empower the next generation of national leaders through Biblical teaching and mentoring. We have a unique opportunity to do just that in the African countries of Uganda and Kenya.

Years ago we met Peter Odanga who serves with Word of Life in Mombasa, Kenya and Thomas Obunde, the Field Director for Word of Life Uganda. These gifted men serve God in their home countries, and we look forward to working with them to help in any way possible.

While in Uganda (April 9-14) we will be leading a Pastors Conference, Ladies Conference, Couples Conference, prison ministry, and

an evangelistic youth rally. In Kenya (April 17-22) we're leading a Ladies Conference, Youth Leader's Conference, Pastors and Leaders Conference, and participating in prison ministry.

There will be several people joining Ray and Marlene on this trip to provide prayer and logistical support, to help with the teaching, and to encourage the brothers and sisters we meet in Kenya and Uganda.

The Kenya-Uganda project will cost between \$15,000 and \$20,000. We are asking each person joining us to raise at least 2/3 of their support. We know God will provide what is necessary for this project and if you would like to partner with us you can send in a donation designated for the Kenya-Uganda project. As we equip and encourage national leaders God will multiply the results.

WHAT PEOPLE ARE SAYING

"I met with a young woman on Friday who is going through a lot of financial and health challenges. She's been coming to our church for several weeks. At the end of our time I shared the gospel with her and gave her Anchor. I saw her today and she told me that she stayed up late reading it. She loved it. I asked her if she had made a decision for Christ and she said, 'Yes, I did.'"

– A pastor in Illinois

"Dear Brother, I have never had the opportunity to meet you personally, but I have followed your ministry and preaching for several years on your website and now on FB. I am a pastor and God has used you many times to encourage me in my life and ministry. I just wanted to thank you for serving the Lord and sharing your life with many others. You are a blessing."

– A Pastor in Georgia

"I am deaf and have been reading your website for almost a year now. Ray's sermons in text have been very helpful to me....often the Lord answered my prayers through your ministry. You usually see messages in audio not text."

– A Young Lady in Kansas

"Hi Ray, I have sent you a friend request (on Facebook) from the UK Church of England mainly because we are including your sermons in the church magazine, and it would be nice for them to put a face to the name!! I thought I'd let you know about this as the Church magazine also goes outside the Church to primary schools and other places, thank you again for your permission to use your sermons."

– A Woman in England

"I thank GOD that he put you in my life because your sermons always speak to my heart. I want to say Thank You!!!"

– A young man in Illinois

TRAVEL SCHEDULE

February 21-26

Bible Conference

Word of Life Conference Center,
Hudson, Florida

March 1-3

Christian Camping Conference

Cannon Beach
Conference Center
Cannon Beach, Oregon

March 7-9

Bible Conference

Sierra Bible Church
Reno, Nevada

March 19-20

Singles Retreat for Lake Point Church of Rockwall

Pine Cove Conference Center,
Tyler, Texas

March 27

KBM Board Meeting

Chicago, IL

April 8-23

Mission Trip

Uganda and Kenya

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