

WORDNET PRODUCTIONS

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FATHER GREG BOYLE, SJ, CARES 'EM STRAIGHT!!



Fr Greg, SJ, with Fr Mike, SVD

Father Greg Boyle was surrounded by gangs, violence and murders and decided to do something about it. Father buried his first youth 25 years ago and 174 more since. Fr Greg has been working with gang members for over 24 years! In the interim, he founded **HOMEBOY** and **HOMEGIRL** Industries helping young people learn how to run a business, including their own restaurant. "It gives them hope," says Father

Greg. "The most important thing is giving them a community where they are respected and can thrive."

There are 1,100 gangs in LA county with 86,000 members. While nationally recidivism is 70%, and only 30% start a new life, with Fr Greg's ministry, it is just the opposite. Seventy percent move ahead!

Among other creative activities, the two industries have contracted with supermarkets around the area to sell products made by these

"Yes, but did YOU bring Jesus to the gangs?"

I was asked. "I am not sure, but the gangs surely brought Jesus to me!" I replied.

young men and women. Chips and salsa can be found in your local supermarket with the **HOMEBOY** logo proudly displayed.

This is a story of one man who has changed the lives of so many previously hopeless young people.

Father Mike's interview with this Father Greg can be seen on our website 24/7. Look for **CARED STRAIGHT** on www.wordnet.tv/videos.htm now.

152,000 hits on iGodToday app! **UP**

The viewings for our *iGodToday* app have now reached over 152,000, from the time we started production in February 2010 with 8 hits.

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Hits: Feb 2010 to Feb 2012	
2010	61,343
2011	76,477
2012 (January and February)	13,107
TOTAL HITS	152,937

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TWO STORIES OF PRISON

Here are two guests from coming shows. Both deal with prisons today; both provide us with food for thought!



Franky Carrillo

FRANKY CARRILLO

Franky became a father at the age of 16. Franky also was falsely accused and imprisoned for a crime he did not commit. Yet he spent twenty years in prison before he was finally exonerated and released.

This remarkable and friendly man holds no bitterness, although his case is a classic example of justice gone wrong. The rush to judgment in his case is but one of many, unfortunately. Franky works hard now to make sure it never happens again! *Amazing Peace*, indeed!

SISTER HELEN PREJEAN, CSJ

Sister Helen went to prison on a pastoral visit. One of the inmates asked her to be his pen pal as he had no one to write to.

Sister was there at his execution. This experience led her to write the nationally acclaimed book **DEAD MAN WALKING**, which was later made into an award winning film.

This no-nonsense dedicated religious is no fool. She fully appreciates the evil that was done to the victim AND to the victim's family. On the other hand, Sister Helen urges us to listen to the words of Pope John Paul II who tells us we must respect the *dignity* of all life. Just as there is no dignity in a child being torn out of the womb, so also there is no dignity in a shackled prisoner, being led toward his or her execution. "We human beings," says Helen, "are better than that!"



Sr. Helen Prejean, CSJ

(Once aired, both of these shows will be available on our website, 2/4/7: www.wordnet.tv)

"Rescue those tottering towards execution" Proverbs 24:11

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The amount of money it takes to keep these Catholic Productions on the air is substantial and we need your help. You can partner with us by:

- **Joining the Mighty 800 with a \$25 monthly gift;**
- **Remembering us in your will;**
- **Taking out a mutually beneficial annuity.**

"And this gospel of the kingdom shall be preached in all the world for a witness unto all nations." Mt 24:14

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PARDON MY LENTEN SMILE

You've wanted it, asked for it, waited for it! Here it is!

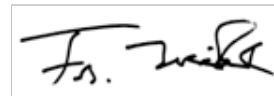
A while back I wrote a book entitled *Pardon My Lenten Smile*, which sold rather well. People say they still read it each Lent but also have asked, "Why don't you write a 'sequel'?"

See what the years have added to the flavor of my writing and to my insights on the Lenten Scriptures! I've written it with great love for Jesus and for all who would read it. I hope it blesses you and helps you love Jesus more. That would give

me a big Lenten smile!

TWO WAYS TO ORDER Pardon My Lenten Smile (\$15 incl s/h):

- Paypal at: www.wordnet.tv/gift-shop.htm
 - Call 888-496-7363 with *debit or credit card*
- God bless you, and may Jesus' love for you always make you SMILE!



Fr. Mike Manning, SVD

TBN TV GUIDE

March 4, 2012	April 8, 2012
Thank God Always Fr Mike Manning, SVD	Priest Turned Prophet Fr Mike Manning, SVD
March 11, 2012	April 15, 2012
Challenge of Change Fr Mike Manning, SVD	Belonging Fr Mike Manning, SVD
March 18, 2012	April 22, 2012
Joy-Filled Life Fr. Mike Manning, SVD	Our Finest With Jack Knight
March 25, 2012	April 29, 2012
Love Remains With Oanh Le Ngo	Amazing Peace With Franky Carrillo
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Tangled in Addiction With Mary Cook	Live Life! Fr Mike Manning, SVD



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