

GraceLife

MINISTRIES



A WORD FROM CHARLIE

Three years ago I stepped out of the pastorate to direct GraceLife full time. Karen and I have never doubted for one moment that this was the right thing to do.

One great confirmation is the many ministry opportunities that have opened up in the USA and around the world. Another confirmation is the fruit we have seen—many changed lives. A third confirmation is the continually growing number of partners who support us financially and in prayer

I am especially grateful for your interest in GraceLife. Together we are making an eternal difference in the world as we share the gospel of grace with the unsaved and the grace of the gospel with the saved through our conferences and literature. I have also been able to help lead the Free Grace Alliance in their purpose of encouraging, connecting, and equipping Christians to spread the grace message around the world.

Please continue to pray for us, especially as we take a team to Ghana in July (see info inside). Thank you for standing with us as we follow where God leads!

Until all hear,

A handwritten signature in cursive that reads "Charlie".

Charlie Bing



Grace Means Go! Charlie's Itinerary:

- June 1 – Lakeland Bible Church, Federal Way, WA
- June 2-3 – Free Grace Alliance NW regional, Salem, OR
- June 8 – Cleburne Bible Church, TX
- July 4-18 – Ghana Team Mission, West Africa
- July 24-25 – Grace Leadership Conference, Lake Zurich, IL
- August 3 – New Braunfels Bible Church, TX

Up Close: An African Adventure

Our team of 13 is just about ready to head to Ghana in West Africa. Ghana is about the size of Oregon, has about 23 million people, and about 60 languages. Most speak some English.

Though about 63% of the people consider themselves Christian, there are great spiritual needs among them. First, the gospel is not clearly proclaimed. The freeness of God's grace is compromised by requiring works or religious performance and behavior. As a result, not many have assurance of their salvation. We will share the gospel in churches, communities, and schools.



Also, most Christian pastors and leaders have not had formal ministry training. We will be teaching three courses in a modular program we helped establish for them. I will also be taking groups through my *Living in the Family of Grace* workbook.

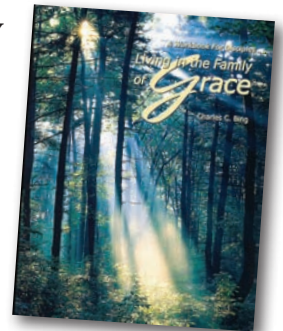
One pastor we taught last year writes, "I was waiting to see the result of teaching salvation by grace to the congregation so that I can send you an a objective report. Well, I can say for sure that it has been very effective. . . I have also realized that some of the congregation lack assurance of salvation. I am a doing a lot of teaching on it. . . [*Living in the Family of Grace*] has been very helpful in teaching about salvation. I pray that you will get all the financial assistance you need so that you can come back to Ghana."

— Pastor Ammishaddai Boateng

Pray for us to have another effective ministry July 4-18 as we minister in two cities to leaders, churches, communities, and schools. Pray for the financial needs of the team members and the Ghanaian pastors who want to attend our conferences. GraceLife must subsidize them and pay for their course books. Finally, pray for team members Nathan Ellis, Barbara Van Wart, Amy Effa, Julie & Kyle Hutchison, host Fred Amoah Darko, Sara & Marvin Effa, Roger Fankhauser, Carly & Micah Wells, Warren Hudson, and Belinda Van Wart.

Tools you can use

Living in the Family of Grace is designed for new as well as older Christians who need to be grounded in the gospel of grace and the grace of the gospel. You can order copies online or in the provided envelope.



The contents of this workbook will show you why it is being used in churches, small groups, and Bible schools around the world:

- Part I – Getting into God's Family (two studies in salvation from John)
- Part II – Growing Deeper in God's Grace (7 lessons on the message of the book of Romans)
- Part III – Becoming a Disciple of Jesus Christ (7 characteristics of a disciple)

Ministry in Focus



Fred Amoah Darko, Ambassadors for Christ International (Ghana)

In March With Pastor Rodney Cripps and Free Grace Alliance director J. B. Hixson in Charlotte, NC, at Stough Memorial Baptist Church



Charlie & Karen hosted ministry partners in March. From left: Dar Highlen, Daniel Oswald of Crossworld Ministries (India),



With Pastor Mike Simiele for a conference at Cresco Community Chapel, Iowa.

Encouraging Words

Raheel S. of Clear Gospel Ministries in Pakistan introduced the Urdu translation of Charlie's *Living in the Family of Grace*. He writes about the meeting:

We had a wonderful opening program yesterday. I was given the opportunity to tell the people about our work as a ministry and the reason for our existence as a ministry. Also I was given the opportunity to tell about the books and . . . how we are planning to distribute the books all over Pakistan . . . I am sure the Lord will bless us and will create more opportunities for us to share His message of Grace.



Keep in Touch!

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