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## A WORD FROM CHARLIE

What a whirlwind summer it was! Starting with a long visit to New Zealand, then sending a team to Ghana, then traveling with GraceLife Institute instructors to Burundi, all in addition to speaking in US churches and teaching an online class. It was a summer of sowing, watering, and reaping. I preached and taught the gospel everywhere I went and saw dozens come to faith and assurance of salvation. I didn't have a lot of time to enjoy summer at home (Karen was with me for some of these travels and it was terribly hot in Texas anyway), but the sacrifice is worth it.

Was my summer lost, or was my life found? When you live God's purpose for you, you are living His life and yours becomes fulfilled. Jesus said, "for whoever loses his life for My sake will find it." If I was only living for myself, would I have visited far-off places like Africa, Southeast Asia, Papua New Guinea, Philippines, or the magical country of New Zealand? I don't see how that could happen unless I was a travel agent or a pilot. Even then I would not get to know the wonderful Christian people I meet in these places.

Don't get me wrong—traveling these days can be *horrendous*—lost luggage and flight delays are routine now. But being there and seeing God work is *stupendous*. My summer absences were not my loss, but my gain. People were saved and changed and God was glorified. Don't ever hesitate to give up something for God. Your investment of time, money, or life itself will be returned to you in abundant and eternal blessings.



Until all hear,

*Charlie Bing*  
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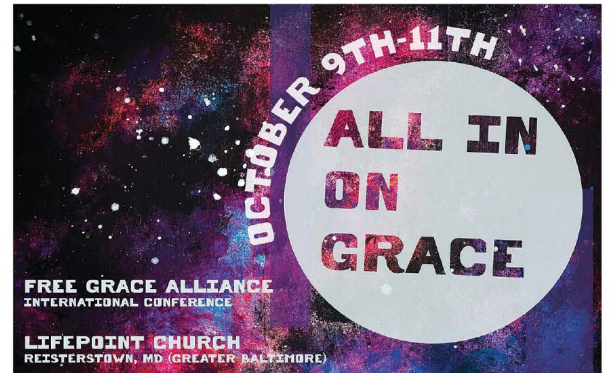


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Thank you for praying and supporting GraceLife and our Institute instructors in the work of the ministry.

## Grace Means Go!

- Sept. 9 – Free Grace Alliance regional conference, Burleson Bible Church, TX
- Sept. 17 – Victor Street Bible Chapel, Dallas
- Oct. 9-11 – Free Grace Alliance International Conference, Reisterstown, MD
- Nov. 7-19 – GraceLife Friends Study Tour, Israel
- Dec. 3 – Living Stones Fellowship Church, Farmers Branch, TX
- Dec. 31 – Bayside Community Church, Tampa



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Congratulations  
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Graduates!

GraceLife Institute is a four-year program designed to ground pastors and leaders in the gospel of grace, essential doctrines, and ministry skills. We teach those who have little access to ministry training or cannot afford it. After completing three courses a year for four years, participants graduate with a certificate of completion. In July we graduated a group in Ghana, and in August, a group in Burundi. Congratulations to them!

In Ghana with instructors Roger Fankhauser, Tim Hill, Ron Hoffman, Gary Armstrong, Fred Amoah Darko



Gary got this feedback:

*“Just to appreciate you and your team for blessing us in AFCI leadership training with your powerful teaching when you came to Ghana. I really enjoyed your teachings and I pray that God will continue to use you and your team to His glory”* William Deku

*“I recorded [your] teaching and I played over and over matching with the handout. Ooh, what a blessing it is. Thank you very much.”* Pastor Peter Mohammed



In Burundi with instructors John Salvesen, Anicet Ndikuriyo, Charlie, Marvin Effa



Charlie got this note from Best, elder son of Anicet Ndikuriyo, Grace Bible Church, Burundi, about GraceLife Institute training in August: **“I have a testimony, the second day of the seminar, one of the Pastors from Karusi sat together and we reviewed what you taught that day, and I heard that the story of the thief on the cross with Jesus taught him a good lesson and made him understand that works could not save us but only believing in Jesus Christ. In few words, most of the pastors came from Pentecostals and they taught them that good works will bring them to heaven, how they need to do more and more good works, so I think that in that situation it's difficult for them to understand the Gospel. He told me that he's happy for the lessons from the seminar. So that's my testimony.”**

**An expanding ministry. Anicet Ndikuriyo started Grace Bible Church in Burundi because he could not find a church that taught a clear gospel of grace. There are now 60 branches covering that country. GraceLife supports Grace Initiative for Burundi, a 501(c)3 organization (gifts are tax deductible) with an American board of directors. You can get more info and support GIB directly at [Grace4Burundi.com](http://Grace4Burundi.com).**



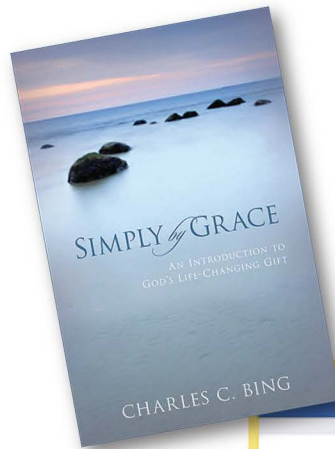
# Ministry in Focus



June – New Zealand, Winter Bible School with Perry Trotter, Torrey Hilton, Graham Blaikie, Geoff Smith, and a nice brown trout!



With the lovely Ladies from Bayside Community Church, Tampa



## Encouraging Words

**Charlie Bing's GRACE NOTES-Fan Page**  
 Tim McGuire · 4h · 🌐

I have found that Dr. Bing's Simply by Grace book is the most effective resource for evangelism and basic discipleship that I have ever used.

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**Tim McGuire** Author  
 A clean cut young man started coming to our church. From everything about him, I assumed he was a believer, but he seemed to me to lack some spiritual knowledge, so started talking to him about grace, salvation, and discipleship. I have him that book to read and talked to him occasionally about it. But last night we were out grilling and asked him when he had trusted Christ for salvation and eternal life. He told me it was just in the last week.

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