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A WORD FROM CHARLIE

Want to know why I'm feeling thankful? Just look at the photo on the right. This is all our family together for Thanksgiving this year. But even better than that, I am thankful that all of them know Jesus Christ as their Savior (and we assume the two baby girls will soon!). I love them all dearly; God has blessed us richly.

But wait—there's more! Karen and I have parents and siblings who have passed on to the other side and we look forward to seeing them again. How can you beat that for blessings?!

How else could we have this joy in the assurance of a heavenly reunion except that we have the promise of Jesus Christ that whoever believes in Him as Savior will live forever in His presence. We find joy in this present life, but even more, in the long view.

With that message, GraceLife is bearing fruit in my lifetime and will continue to produce fruit long after I'm gone. Every book, recording, video, and podcast will outlive me. Even better, the gospel that has been planted in many thousands of hearts will reproduce itself in others. This is worth our best effort and resources.

When we take the long view, it gives meaning and urgency to this life. Our time, resources, and life itself are means to an eternal purpose. Jesus Christ lived only about 33 years on this earth, but He did it for the sake of eternity; He gave His temporal life so that we could have eternal life.

My prayer for you and your loved ones is that you will all be together in eternity rejoicing forever in the grace of God extended to us through His Son because of the great love with which He has loved us. Karen and I wish you a blessed Christmas and New Year through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Until all hear,

Charlie Bing



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Grace Means Go!

- Dec. 31 – Bayside Community Church, Tampa
- Jan. 8-10 – GraceLife board retreat, TX
- Feb. 3-18 – Word of Life Bible Institute and church ministry, Philippines
- Feb. 25 - Living Stones Fellowship Church, Farmers Branch, TX
- March 2-3 – Trinity Bible Church, Biloxi, MS
- March 4-6 -- Chafer Theological Seminary Bible Conference, Houston
- April 7 – Grace Bible Church, McPherson, KS
- May 5 – Oakhills Community Church, Argyle, TX
- May 17 – Grace School of Theology Alumni Banquet, Houston
- May 19 - Bayside Community Church, Tampa
- July 13-19 – GraceLife Institute and church ministry, Ghana
- July 27- Aug. 2 – GraceLife Institute and church ministry, Burundi



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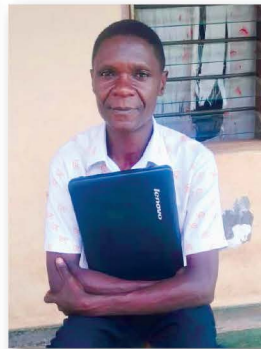
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REACHING
THE WORLD
FROM HOME

Although we have many in-country ministry trips for training, we don't always have to fly around the world to reach the world. Here's some projects that we accomplished from our home base:

- Printings in process for *Simply by Grace* in Ghana and India; other translations in process.
- Translations of *Grace, Salvation, and Discipleship* in process in several languages.
- GraceNotes translated and available in eight languages.
- Teaching pastors in India online
- *Simply by Grace* podcasts of Bible messages, theological discussions, and people's Grace Stories.
- Scholarships to Grace School of Theology for students in Burundi and the Philippines
- Laptops for translation ministry to Uganda and Myanmar
- Church roofs and a car for ministry in Burundi.



10 REASONS TO DOWNLOAD THE GRACELIFE APP:

1. You get a pretty green icon on your phone.
2. It's a one stop grace place.
3. It is free . . . until you buy something in our Bookstore or GL Gear shop.
4. It makes giving to support GraceLife too easy. (Try it if you don't believe us!)
5. It gets you quickly to the *Simply by Grace* podcast when a service call puts you on hold.
6. You can get GraceNotes in German, or if you prefer, English.
7. We promise not to send push notifications after 2:00 AM.
8. You can contact us quickly with your kind and flattering messages.
9. Bible intros and outlines at your fingertips make you look annoyingly scholarly.
10. You can use your camera for something other than another selfie.



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Ministry in Focus



In September at the Free Grace Alliance Regional Conference at Burleson Bible Church, TX with Paul Weaver, John Salvesen, Pastor Gary Armstrong, Grant Hawley; in Oct. at the FGA International Conference in Reisterstown, MD with ministry friends from Finland



In October at Greater Grace World Outreach "Grace Hour" podcast recording with Pastor Thomas Schaller, Baltimore



In October at Victor Street Bible Chapel with elder Luis Rodriguez on his 80th birthday.

Monthly online teaching of pastors in India.



This fall preaching at Burleson Bible Church, with Pastor Gary Armstrong

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Fallen Angel

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Encouraging Words

From a women's ministry leader

'Our Women's Ministry went through [Living in the Family of Grace] . . . It was very well received, and several women remarked how it helped clarify their belief. In particular, one lady who attends our church studies, is in the Church of Christ. 'They were born, raised, and will die church of Christ because that's what they do as a family.' (Her husband's words.) Each week, even prior to your study we would emphasize the free grace message. However, it wasn't until we went through your book that she came one day with tears flowing and said, "I finally get it. I can do absolutely nothing but place my faith in Christ alone." She then called her two sons who are in college to apologize to them for teaching them incorrectly about the grace of God.' Carolyn S.

