





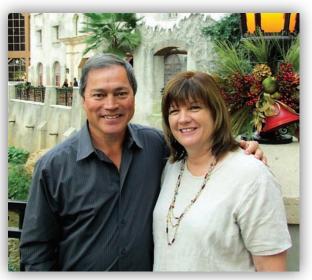
A WORD FROM CHARLIE

he good news of Christ's birth is that "The Word

became flesh and dwelt among us" Jesus is God's Word to us (or message, *logos*; John 1:14). Through Jesus Christ God revealed His love, grace, and salvation.

From this beginning, God did a pretty good job of getting His message out with the scarcest amount of men, money, and formal ministry. Yet too often today, it seems like men are building a name for themselves, grabbing all the money they can, and building their ministries into monuments of egotism.

Of course, I realize that in getting the message out God uses men, money, and ministries or I would be a hypocrite. I'm simply saying that the message of the gospel of grace is more important than any of that. What that means is I am not out to make my name known, build GraceLife into an empire, or collect money for money's sake. One day I will be gone, but the message will go on.



The most important thing about preaching the gospel is the gospel, not the preacher! God buries His messengers, but carries on His message. In the end, it's all about the message, not the men, money, or ministry. When those things are gone, the message will continue.

So as long as I am able, when God opens a door for His gospel, I will move toward it until God closes it. I will not decide to move based primarily on money or lack of it. I will continue to tell you about these open doors so that we can together go through them.

God opened new doors for His grace message in 2012 and it looks like there is even more in store for 2013. I am thankful for a good year past and a hopeful year to come. Read about these opportunities inside this newsletter.

It's all about the message. Thank you for praying and giving to get that message out. Karen and I appreciate you and wish you a wonderful Christmas and a happy New Year!

Until all hear,

Charlie Bina

Grace Means Go!

Dec. 9 - Calvary Community Church preaching, Tampa, FL

Dec. 14 - Calvary of Tampa Radio interview, FL

Dec. 29-Jan. 7 - Word of Life Bible Institute teaching, Philippines

Jan. 15 – GraceLife Board meeting, Burleson, TX

Mar. 1-11 - GraceLife Institute training, Hyderabad, India

Apr. 5-9 – New Tribes Bible Institute teaching, Jackson, MI

Apr. 28 - Grace Bible Church preaching, Charlotte, NC

May 5 – Stough Memorial Church preaching, Pineville, NC

June 22 - Free Grace Alliance regional conference, Charlotte, NC

Join a special group committed to sharing the clear gospel of grace — Charlie's GraceLife Friends group!

Up Close: Open Doors in Philippines and India

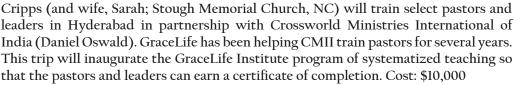
Conference and Teaching in the Philippines, December 30-January 11

Word of Life, Philippines, has invited Charlie and GraceLife board member, pastor Phil Congdon (New Braunfels Bible Church, TX) to teach their annual staff conference (which includes leaders from WOL Thailand) and to teach two courses at the WOL Bible Institute. Charlie was there in February 2012 and found very eager students and staff committed to winning their nation *and the world* to Christ. Cost: \$4900



GraceLife Institute in India, March 1-11

Charlie, Dr. Roger Fankhauser (and Tom Van Wart; Burleson Bible Church, TX), and pastor Rodney





Consider an End-of-Year Gift!

We could use your help. The 2013 trips to the Philippines and to India will cost about \$15,000. This amount includes airfares and accommodations, but most of that cost pays for the pastors' expenses in India (room, food, equipment rentals, translators, literature) because they cannot afford to pay for these things.

We and they appreciate your help. All contributions to GraceLife are tax deductible. GraceLife does not operate on a debt basis. As a 501(c)3 organization our finances are scrutinized by our Board of Directors, an independent CPA, and the U.S. government, but most importantly, by God Himself, whom we always seek to please and to whom we must give an account!

Thank you for making a difference in the world!

Free Grace Alliance. By all reports, the conference in Dallas in October was the best one ever! FGA awarded the Trophy of Grace to Dr. Roy B. Zuck and evangelist Bob Tebow gave his testimony at the banquet. Some of our international attendees (Pastor Anicet Ndikuriyo from Burundi, and Pastor Tero Fredriksson and Kalervo Koskinen from Finland) got a big taste of Texas with Charlie and Pastor Roger Fankhauser (before Big Tex went home in a blaze of glory!).



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Ministry in Focus



Sept. 10 - Washington Bible College, Lanham, MD

Sept. 22-23 - Cornerstone Bible Church, Lubbock, TX, Pastor Steve Spurlin (middle)

Oct. 8-10 - Free Grace Alliance Conference, Irving, TX

Oct. 20-21 - Cleburne Bible Church, TX

Nov. 2-4 - Communion Chapel, San Antonio, TX, Pastor Mike Pratt (upper right)

Nov. 10-11 - Lacey Chapel, WA, pastor Scott Mofatt (right, with a 1966 Buick Sklark)

Nov. 18 - Redmond Community Church, Redmond, OR, Pastor Curtis Hutson

Nov. 25 - Victor Street Bible Chapel, Dallas

Thanks to Christopher Carver

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CAN YOU CHECK SANTA'S NICE LIST ... I'M PRETTY SURE I'M ON THAT ONE

Encouraging Words from Cameroon (Africa)



The parcels for the wonderful books arrived just on the day I was teaching the students at the Bible college. I am indeed happy. They are all excellent materials and I will go through all of them in so short a time, require the students at the Seminary to read each in turn, and finally place the copies at the Library so that people will always sign and read. I am so happy for the parcel and this day is a joyful day in my life.

The grace of God has been largely distorted here so that at times one wonders whether we are our own saviours or Christ comes in to save. Even when it is Christ, He is just like a guide and most of the work is done by us anyway. Christ is being relegated to the background and self is being put at the forefront of the spiritual life. It's all a kind of jumbled up theology.

> ~ Pastor Teh Francis, Cameroon, Africa ~

Again, thank you.

Keep in Touch!

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