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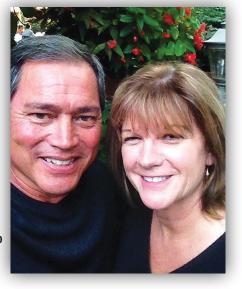
came to His own, and His own did not receive Him.

But as many as received Him, to them He gave the right to become children of God, to those who believe in His name. John 1:11-12

This bad news/good news statement, tells us that Jesus Christ came to earth to save His people, the Jews, and they rejected Him. Yet any individual who believes in Him as Savior can become a child of God. Even from His birth, there was a campaign inspired by Israel's king Herod to murder Jesus, along with all baby Jewish boys (Matt. 2:1-18). But Jesus survived and lived long enough to do what He had to do—for me, and for you.

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There's an old story, probably not true, but it makes a good point: Two friends were walking along the seashore and noticed that a storm had washed up onto the beach thousands of struggling starfish. Occasionally, one friend would reach down, pick up a starfish, and fling it back into the water to save it. "Why are you doing that?" asked the other, "There are too many for you to save—it won't make a difference." His friend answered, "It will to this one," and with that he bent down and threw another starfish into the sea.



You and I can't help everyone, maybe not even thousands, but if we help bring one person into the light of God's love and truth, isn't it worth our meager efforts? *I tell you, it makes a difference to that one.*

What Jesus did with His life, in His death for our sins and His resurrection, may not have been received by His own people then or today. Most in the world may not understand the free gift of salvation He provides and so they reject it. What He did makes no difference to them.

But it made a difference to me.

So I will be forever grateful and try to make a difference to at least one other person in this world. In this Christmas season, may you appreciate the difference Jesus has made to your life, and may God use you to make a difference to someone else.

Karen and I wish you a very blessed Christmas.

Until all hear,

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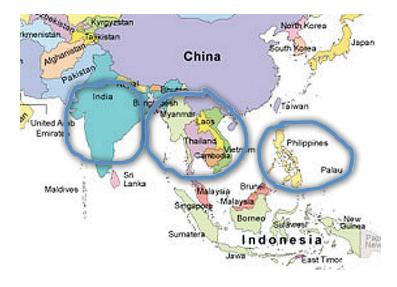
Jan. 3-9 — GraceLife Institute Training, Southeast Asia Jan. 10-17 — GraceLife Institute Training, Hyderabad, India Feb. 1-14 — Word of Life Bible Institute, Philippines Mar. 7 — Free Grace Alliance Regional Conference, Eugene, OR Mar. 14 — Free Grace Alliance Regional Conference, Houston

The GraceLife Vision

Our vision is to share the gospel of grace with the unsaved and the grace of the gospel with the saved. Non-Christians need to know God's grace available in the gospel of Jesus Christ so that they can have eternal life. Christians need to know God's grace that is available through the gospel of Jesus Christ so that they can enjoy their eternal life and be motivated to live for God and share His grace with others. We will not rest until this is complete and every person on earth is rejoicing in the freedom of the grace of God through Jesus Christ.

Up Close: Grace for Asia

Note: GraceLife Institute is a four-year, twelve-course certificate program designed for those who need basic grounding in the gospel, the grace message, and basic Bible and theology. GraceLife joins with local ministries to train the pastors and church leaders in their countries using highly qualified teachers who travel at their own expense.



Southeast Asia — GraceLife Institute training, January 3-9.

It is exciting to start GLI training for pastors in a country that has been closed to religious training from the outside. Charlie, John Hardin (Gracelife Church, Pineville, NC), and Steve Hill (Grace Community Fellowship, Eugene, OR) will teach three courses to 40 pastors from all over this country and speak in churches. Also, a new translation of Simply by Grace in their language will be distributed. The cost to GraceLife will be about \$5,500 for conference and pastors' expenses.

India — GraceLife Institute training, January 10-17.

Charlie, John, and Steve will continue on to Hyderabad, In-

dia to teach a third year of courses in partnership with Daniel Oswald of Crossworld Ministries International of India and to minister in churches. This will be the third year of GLI training for these 50 pastors. There will be travel, training, and accommodation expenses for the pastors costing GraceLife about \$6000.

Philippines — Word of Life Bible Institute and Pastors' Conference, February 1-14.

These students are future pastors, evangelists, missionaries, and church workers not only in the Philippines, but other Asian countries. Charlie and Richard Grubbs (Biblical Ministries, Inc.) will teach at WOLBI and on the weekend speak to pastors in a special conference. Travel and other expenses will cost about \$3000.

Urg^{entl}. Wever too late to make a difference!

As exciting as our ministry opportunities are, they only happen when funding is available. As of this writing, there is no money in the GraceLife Institute training fund for 2015. If God leads you to help train these pastors and church leaders, just scan the box on the right, or use the enclosed envelope. Contributions to GraceLife are tax deductible for 2014 if received no later than December 31. Thank you for making a difference!



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Sept. 12-14, With the guys from Conservative Christian Fellowship Church, (Molalla, OR) at their men's retreat

Other ministries not shown:

Sept. 28 – West University Baptist, Houston, Father & Son Breakfast Oct. 26 - St. Francis Protestant Fellowship, Fort Worth, preaching Nov. 9 - Cleburne Bible Church, TX - Missions Conference Nov. 16 – Victor Street Bible Chapel, Dallas, preaching Nov. 30 - Burleson Bible Church, TX, preaching



Oct. 13-15, The Free Grace Alliance Trophy of Grace was awarded to **Dick Seymour** (Frontier Bible College, LaGrange, WY) at the FGA annual

conference in Irving, TX (with FGA president Roger Fankhauser).



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Encouraging Words

Steve writes from Oregon:

Charlie! I wanted to let you know that the Lord is reaching people here through your book [Simply by Grace]. A small

men's group I'm in recently read it to great benefit, as it helped them gain clarity about the gospel. Yesterday l gave it to a young med student from St. Lucia who is confused about her faith, and she started it right away! Many blessings to you!



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