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# GraceLife

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bringing grace to life

## A WORD FROM CHARLIE

**We** should never let the urgent overtake the important.

But sometimes you can address both at the same time.

GraceLife has been able to focus on both the urgent and important. When pastors are ill-equipped, hold a false gospel, and are living in doubt about their salvation, I feel an urgency to reach them and teach them. That drives the spread of our GraceLife Institute in other countries. Also, when people everywhere are unclear about the gospel and are not enjoying their liberty in Jesus Christ, there is an urgency to teach them in churches and conferences. It is important to us and them.

But I have learned that it is also urgent and important to provide resources people can use to grow in the grace and knowledge of the Lord Jesus Christ. I have received a lot of feedback from people about how they were helped by things I have written including books, articles, and GraceNotes. So as hard as it is, I try to build writing times into my schedule.

I am excited that a five-year writing project is at the publishers as you read this. My latest book is called *Grace, Salvation, and Discipleship: How to Understand Some Difficult Bible Passages*. You can read more about it on page 2 of this newsletter. I think it is a much-needed book—you might say urgent and important. I know it is needed, because it answers the questions I frequently get about Bible passages related to salvation and discipleship.

Much of what GraceLife accomplishes is seen in the reports, testimonies, and photographs in our communications like this one. But some of our most important work is unseen—the development of tools that equip people to enjoy and share the grace message.

Thank you for your prayers and support that allow me to work on both urgent ministry and important literature for the sake of the body of Christ and those yet to be reached.

Until all hear,

*Charlie Bing*  
Charlie Bing



Signing books in Finland

### *Grace Means Go!*

October 4 — Bayside Community Church, Tampa

October 7-8 — Missions Conference, Calvary Community Church  
& Florida Bible College, Tampa

October 10-11 — Bible Conference, Packsaddle Fellowship, Kingsland, TX

October 12-14 — Free Grace Alliance Annual Conference, Arlington, TX

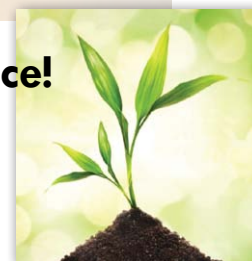
**See you at the Free Grace Alliance Annual Conference!**

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# Up Close: GraceLife Institute Training.

In July, Charlie led a team of instructors (Richard Grubbs of Biblical Ministries, Inc.; Ken Parlin of St. Francis Protestant Fellowship, Fort Worth; Tim Hill of Baytown Community Church, TX) to **Ghana** (West Africa) to teach pastors and evangelists in two cities. A total of 83 people were trained and 23 graduated. Here are two testimonies from participants:



*I have learned that I have been saved by faith in Christ and not by my works and salvation is free. God bless you all who made it possible for these teachers to come on. I have been blessed. ~ Joseph*

*I recommend that all the teachers should be given the opportunity to come to Ghana every year. The program helped us to learn more to teach our church members and also helped our spiritual growth. I pray for God's blessings for everybody who supports the program. ~ Solomon*

## With your help, we will continue training around the world in 2016!

**Myanmar** — January 9-16 GraceLife Institute

**Philippines** — January 30-February 13 Word of Life Bible Institute

**India** — March 5-12 Kerala, Solid Rock Theological Seminary;  
March 13-18 Hyderabad, GraceLife Institute



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# Pre-publication Sale!

## GRACE, SALVATION & DISCIPLESHIP

### How to Understand Some Difficult Bible Passages

by Charles C. Bing

A correct understanding of salvation and discipleship is crucial to understanding the Bible and growing in the Christian life. Many Bible passages are difficult to understand, especially when it comes to the issues of eternal salvation and following Jesus Christ as a disciple. In this new book you will find how to approach over 130 difficult Bible passages. Starting with a clear understanding of God's grace and using a unique paradigm of "A Truth, B Truth," you will discover from the context whether the passage is about salvation or the Christian life. It is an invaluable resource for Bible students, teachers, pastors, and group leaders.

**\$13 ea.** — This is a special temporary price that expires October 15 (regular price \$19, 10 or more \$18).

"I have added it to my short list of recommended books on biblical difficulties." Norman L. Geisler, Ph.D.



# Ministry in Focus



**GraceLife Institute Ministry in Ghana.** From clockwise: 1) Accra class, 2) Abetifi class, 3) Graduation in Abetifi, 4) Sunday church ministry with Fred Amoah Darko, pastor Joshua, Richard Grubbs, 5) Ken Parlin teaching

## Falling from Grace



### GRACE

No more a license to sin than electricity is a license to electrocute yourself.

Health and safety tips from [escapefromreality.org](http://escapefromreality.org)

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## Encouraging Words from Burundi



(This small African country is in turmoil since the president illegally seized a third term. Violence and executions made it too unsafe for our regular August training there. Here is a report from our host, Pastor Anicet Ndikuriyo, who leads 60 Grace Bible Churches)

*We are struggling to encourage church members. We are in touch with Pastors who fled to Tanzania, Rwanda, and [Congo]. Everyone manages to preach the Gospel in his own way taking into account the environment where he is. We are learning to preach the Gospel of Grace out of season. Some local churches were building, but with the crisis we cannot afford to buy iron sheets for roofing. Please remember this as you pray. It is so unfortunate that we did not organize [GraceLife Institute] training. [The pastors] are asking when you will come back. I noticed how they like your training. Let's hope that next summer comes quickly for another session. Thank you for keeping us in your prayers. Some brothers and sisters lost their jobs due to the crisis. We now have more financial challenges.*

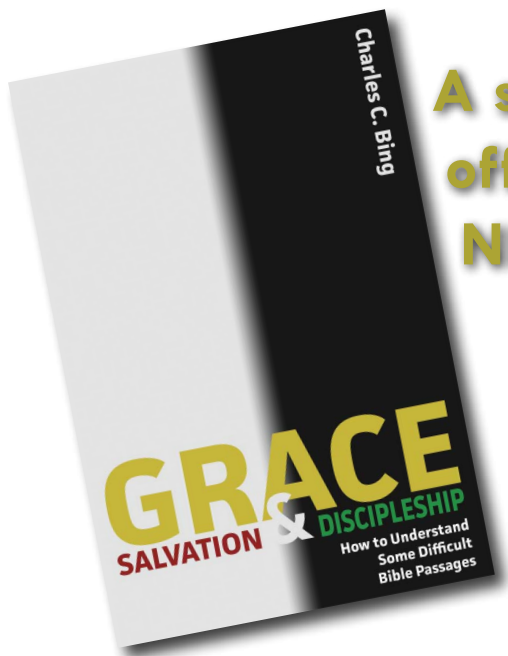


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in 2 Peter 2:20-22"