



### A WORD FROM CHARLIE

am careful about making promises because I hate to break my word. If I can be that scrupulous about not following through on a promise, how do you think God, who cannot lie, makes good on His promises?

This is the time of year when we celebrate the promise God made long ago that He would send a Savior. Indeed, He did! His name is Jesus, which means "Savior," "for He will save His people from their sins" (Matthew 1:21). By God's grace, I am saved from the penalty of eternal death through faith in Jesus Christ as my Savior.

The Bible's Old Testament has hundreds of prophesies about the coming of a Messiah (Christ), a Savior. But the vast majority of those are not about His first coming (Christmas), but his second coming, which could be at any time. One mathematician calculated that the chance for one man to fulfill only 48 of all those prophesies, would be a 1 in 10 to the 157th power—a virtual impossibility.



We celebrate Christmas as Jesus' first coming because we know the approximate date of His birth, but no one knows when He is coming again. If you don't know Jesus as your Savior, if you don't know that you have eternal life, think about God's promise of Jesus' return whenever you hear a Christmas song, see a Christmas decoration, or give a Christmas gift. The only way to celebrate His second coming is to trust that Jesus paid the penalty for your sin by His death and resurrection, not by trusting in your own good efforts and conduct. "For by grace you have been saved through faith, and that not of yourselves; it is the gift of God, not of works lest anyone should boast" (Ephesians 2:8-9).

Karen and I could not be happier than if you would look forward with us to Jesus Christ's second coming. It is a promise you can count on. Have a blessed Christmas!

Until all hear,

Charlie Bing

KEEP IN TOUCH!
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Hey, Karen and I have a special Christmas message for you!



### Grace Means Go!

December 5 - Wild Game Feed - Grace Bible Church, Portage, WI

December 19 - Victor Street Bible Chapel, Dallas

December 26 – Living Stones Fellowship Church, Richardson, TX

January 2 - Burleson Bible Church, TX

January 16 - Bayside Community Church, Tampa

February 1 - Missions presentation, Arborlawn United Methodist Church, Fort Worth, TX

February 18-20 – Free Grace Alliance Regional Conference, Emmanuel Baptist Church, Starksville, MS

March 5-19 - Word of Life Bible Institute, Philippines





HUNTING FOR LIFE with Charlie Bing

Please pray for a good response to Charlie's presentation at the Wild Game Feed, an evangelistic outreach of Grace Bible Church in Portage, WI, on December 5.

# JPCLOSE GRACE GETS AROUND!

**UKRAINE** – Teaching for International Baptist Bible College in September, Charlie saw many in his class profess assurance of salvation after his teaching on eternal security as part of the Evangelism Course. Thank you for praying!

**SIMPLY BY GRACE PODCAST** – A new series has come to our Simply by Grace podcast called, "Simply by Grace—The Book". After reading a chapter from Simply by *Grace*, Charlie interviews someone of significance who will bring more insight to the topic of that chapter. Be sure to subscribe to the Simply by Grace podcast so you will be notified of each episode. It began November 25, but you can listen to those podcasts which have already aired. Find the podcast at SimplyByGrace.org.



**TELL YOUR STORY!** – We are planning a special podcast series that will let people tell their story about how they were saved by grace or how grace has made a difference in their lives. If you want to tell your story, contact us at info@GraceLife.org and see if your story fits our design. You have a chance to reach the world—someone is waiting to hear your story!

**PHILIPPINES** – International ministry continues with Charlie teaching in the Philippines at Word of Life Bible Institute in March. He will teach Hebrews and Interpreting Salvation and Discipleship Passages and do some other speaking. One graduate of WOLBI is sponsored by GraceLife for further studies at Grace School of Theology.

**BURUNDI** – Through special designated gifts, we were able to provide for roofs on two churches to protect the mud brick buildings from the rainy season. Meanwhile, our GraceLife Institute Burundi graduates continue their studies with Grace School of Theology through our scholarship program.

**MYANMAR** – We have helped with food and medical needs for our ministry partners who have suffered disruptions from covid and the military overthrow of the government. In spite of these obstacles, they continue sharing the message of grace.

#### A DOUBLE GRIP OF GRACE

We offer two resources to ground people in grace: 1) Simply by Grace: An Introduction to God's Life-changing Gift, explains to believers or unbelievers what grace means and how it affects us; a topical approach that is designed to be read easily. 2) Living in the Family of Grace: A Workbook for Disciples grounds believers and gets them growing in grace. Both books have been used for individual, small group, and large group study. Here's a comparison of their contents:

#### Simply by Grace chapters

- 1. The Gift of Grace
- 2. The God of All Grace
- 3. Surprised by Grace
- 4. Saves by Grace
- 5. A Maze of Grace
- 6. Secured by Grace
- 7. Assured by Grace
- 8. Grace and Good Works
- 9. A New Accountability
- 10. A New Life
- 11. A New Commitment
- 12. A New Freedom
- 13. Sharing the Gift

Living in the Family of Grace chapters

Part 1 Getting into God's Family (Gospel of John)

- 1. A Book about Salvation
- 2. A Story about Salvation

Part 2 Growing Deeper in God's Grace (Romans)

- 3. God's Grace and Our Sin
- 4. God's Grace and Our Salvation
- 5. God's Grace and Our Sanctification, Part A
- 6. God's Grace and Our Sanctification, Part B
- 7. God's Grace and Our Security
- 8. God's Grace and Our Selection
- 9. God's Grace and Our Service

Part 3 Becoming a Disciple of Christ (The Gospels)

- 10. Becoming a Devoted Disciple
- 11. Becoming an Obedient Disciple
- 12. Becoming a Selfless Disciple
- 13. Becoming a Suffering Disciple
- 14. Becoming a Submissive Disciple
- 15. Becoming a Generous Disciple
- 16. Becoming a Serving Disciple





# MinistryinFocus









September: Grace Biblical Seminary's Grace Conference, GA; International Baptist Bible College, Ukraine, October: (not shown) Victor Street Bible Chapel; with Kevin Butcher and Ed Underwood at Free Grace Alliance International Conference, TX; Bayside Community Church, Tampa



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Elect ladies: A gift idea for Christmas (source: Babylon Bee)

# Encouraging Words

### Message from a pastor in India

I every line in simply by grace is heart touching. . .

I have a habit of underline the important point when I read a book. . .

I had to underline almost all the book simply by grace. There are so many important sentences. Every religion says Do; but Christianity says done.

