



## A WORD FROM CHARLIE

### In the end, faith trumps feelings and fear.

That's what I conclude after a summer of ministry in two African nations.

My feelings and fears had me wondering whether I and thirteen team members could each raise enough support for our personal expenses (over \$4000 each). My private fear was whether GraceLife could raise another estimated \$45,000 for conference expenses. My feelings and fears hesitated to take teams overseas when there was a serious terrorist threat issued and U.S. embassies were closed—even in one of our visited countries! When the international airport terminal in Nairobi, Kenya, burned down three days before our travel through there, feelings and fears gave way to doubts about travel options and accommodations.

Would flight schedules bring team members from Dallas, Lubbock (TX), Charlotte (NC), and the Philippines together on time? Would our baggage arrive with us (It sometimes doesn't)?

Would team members get along? Would they have significant ministry? Would they stay healthy? Would we be safe on risky in-country road trips? Would teaching schedules for men, women, and children coordinate with translators for each?

Even though I sometimes felt my faith was small, our God is big. I am grateful for team members who seemed to have more faith than me as we overcame obstacles and feelings to accomplish our missions.

The result of our faith? You can see them in the special insert in this newsletter. In short, pastors and delegates from five African nations received GraceLife Institute training, women and youth were trained, and hundreds heard clear presentations of the gospel of grace with many responding. God did much with our little faith and your many prayers and support.

What else can I say, but "Now to Him who is able to do exceedingly abundantly above all that we ask or think, according to the power that works in us" (Eph. 3:20). Amen!

Until all hear,

*Charlie Bing*  
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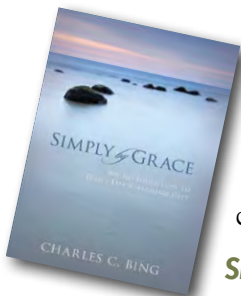
### Grace Means Go!

- September 14 – First Baptist Forest Grove, OR
- October 14-16 – Free Grace Alliance Annual Conference, Dallas
- November 1-3 – Baytown Community Church, TX
- November 19-21 – Evangelical Theological Society, Baltimore
- November 18-22 – Greater Grace World Outreach Radio, Baltimore
- November 24 – Fellowship Bible Church, Winchester, VA



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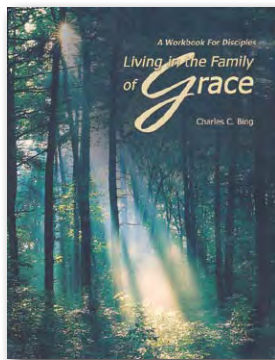
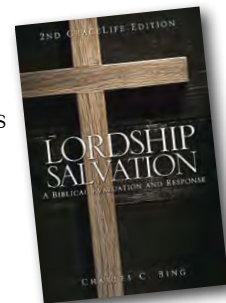
# Up Close: Resources to Help Your Ministry



**Simply by Grace.** God's grace is not only the key to becoming a Christian, but also the key to assurance of salvation and living in freedom to serve God and others. This book is an easy-to-read introduction to the significance of grace. By looking at the major questions and issues that surround the concept of grace, Dr. Bing helps readers understand and appreciate this God-given gift and how simple it really is. There are discussion questions at the end of each chapter making it useful for groups and classes. You will see why people buy these books by the box and give them away!

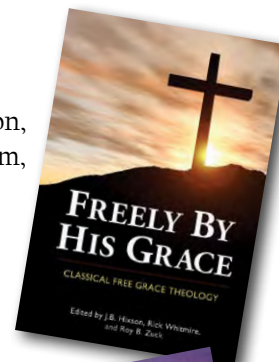
**Simplement por Gracia.** The Spanish translation of *Simply by Grace* is due out soon!

**Lordship Salvation.** This 2nd GraceLife Edition of Dr. Bing's Ph.D. dissertation has been updated and designed for easy use by a broad audience. You will find a clear in-depth discussion of the four main issues in the Lordship controversy: The significance of faith, repentance, Christ's lordship, and discipleship. A Scripture index helps you find expositions for over 60 key Bible passages that are often used in this controversial debate.



**Living in the Family of Grace.** This discipleship workbook is designed to establish people in the basic principles of salvation by grace and how to live the Christian life by grace. The workbook format answers the need for discipleship materials grounded in the grace of God. Those who use this workbook will gain a clear understanding of what it means to be saved eternally, learn how to live a new life in God's family, and be challenged by the commitments involved in becoming devoted followers of Jesus Christ.

**Freely By His Grace.** A Free Grace theology by fourteen different authors, including Dr. Bing who wrote the chapter on Lordship Salvation. Other chapters include: The Gospel, Discipleship, Faith, Repentance, Regeneration, Eternal Security, Assurance, Sin, Sanctification, Rewards, Dispensationalism, Missions & Evangelism.



**Dear John.** This booklet will help you evangelize and make disciples of grace. Dr. Bing shows how the Gospel of John presents the gospel with the simple condition of believing for eternal life. It will help those confused about how to become a Christian and those struggling with assurance.

**How to Share the Gospel Clearly.** This booklet by Dr. Bing will help you refine the art of communicating the gospel more clearly. When it comes to sharing the gospel, it is an art worth refining and we must work to tell it as clearly as possible.



**What Are You Worth?** This gospel tract answers the question by illustrating the gospel message which proves that everyone is worth 100% to God and that He has sent His Son, Jesus Christ, to pay for their sins and give them eternal life. Not only that, but eternal life costs nothing—0%! All one has to do is believe in Jesus Christ and what He has done for every person.



**GraceLife.org.** Don't forget the valuable free resources available on our web site:

**Old and New Testament Introductions and Analytical Outlines.** In these 580 pages, Dr. Bing gives the basic background for each Bible book as a foundation for further study, teaching, or preaching. The Outlines convey the content of the book with great detail and full thoughts so that one sees clearly how the biblical text both flows and divides.

**GraceNotes.** Our most popularly visited pages are short downloadable Bible studies on important topics related to the gospel and grace. They are free and you have permission to copy and hand them out!

**And many other articles!**



# Ministry in Focus

At the June 22 Free Grace Alliance Regional Conference, Stough Memorial Church, Pineville, NC. Speakers Charlie, Host Pastor Rodney Cripps, Pastor Donnie Preslar, and Dr. Norman Geisler.



See you at the

## FGA Annual Conference – October 14-16 Grace for Saints and Sinners – 1 Corinthians

in Irving, Texas

Plenary speakers Charlie Bing, Ron Allen, Jody Dillow, Fred Chay, Sukhwant Bhatia, Roger Fankhauser, Ken Wilson, Larry Moyer

**AND 15 challenging workshops!**

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## Encouraging Words

from **Burundi**



*I am enjoying highly the nice teaching of the Word of God. I am being helped by many things about God's Word. Now I know that the gospel is good news which tells us about how we can go to heaven. I see in 1 Corinthians 15:1-8 that Christ died for my sins. He was buried, and arose. Christ is a risen Savior today. The promise of Christ to us is eternal life to all who believe.*

~ Samuel Manirakiza, future pastor ~

Typical surveys given to Ghanaian evangelists before training them in July "How beautiful are the feet of those who preach the gospel of peace, who bring glad tidings of good things" (Rom. 10:15).

## Falling from Grace

**Gospel Survey**

Please circle either "Yes" or "No" on each line.

- What must a person do to receive eternal life (be saved, become a Christian)?
  - Confess Jesus Christ publically with his or her mouth  Yes  No
  - Be baptized  Yes  No
  - Help others in need  Yes  No
  - Turn from all  Yes  No
- Can a true Christian ever lose his or her salvation?  Yes  No
- Can a true Christian know for sure that they will go to heaven?  Yes  No

## Keep in Touch!

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Read what happens when  
faith beats fear!



Will only those who endure to the end  
be saved? See the  
new *GraceNotes*  
on Matthew 24:13



# 2013

## A GraceLife Summer

### July in Ghana

Five teachers continued GraceLife Institute training of pastors and church leaders in two cities. Two teachers also began a new training program for evangelists in the Presbyterian church.



GraceLife Institute Team: Roger Fankhauser, Charlie Bing, Fred Amoah Darko, Ken Parlin, Carl Greene



Evangelists trained in Abetifi



2013 GLI graduates

*"I got to understand that salvation comes from only believing in Christ Jesus and the free gift of the grace of God, and by that one is justified. I also know that it is by good works that a believer or a disciple earns a reward, so I will try to do my best."*

– Evangelist G. K.



People trusted Christ in church meetings



Carl teaching



GLI in Accra – a full class!

*"For one thing, I am now fully cocksure that I am a saved person because I believe that Jesus Christ has given me eternal life as He said He would for anyone who would believe."*

– Ghanaian church leader



A happy graduate

*"I know the gospel and I preach the gospel. But one thing I haven't realized is its freeness. I have now known that our works won't save us, rather belief that in Christ Jesus who died once for all. Hallelujah!"*

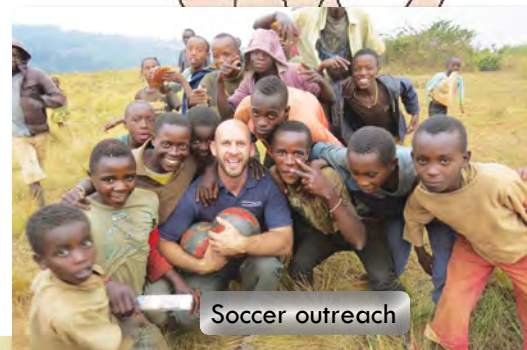
– Hillary A. Okai



# 2013 A GraceLife Summer August in Burundi



Charlie Bing, Anicet Ndikuriyo, Rachel Fogle, Alan Moon, Stephanie Ndikuriyo, Rick Bartmas, Amy Effa, Sara Stevenson, Phil & Caitlin Ridlen, Marvin Effa, Tracy Hallak, Richard Grubbs



Soccer outreach



Conference for Congolese and Rwandans



Youth Class



Women's Training

Also:

- Evangelism
- Church planting
- Relief work

*"I thank God for enabling me to travel three days journey from Kenya to Burundi to attend the GraceLife Institute. I am now able to distinctly differentiate between a believer and a disciple, something I never knew in my 15 pastoral years. This was a really quality time."* – Pastor George Kaye



First Pastors' Conference