

A WORD FROM CHARLIE

hardly ever stop to read historical markers

on the roadside; there's just too many! I realize those markers represent significant events, but I tend to focus on where I'm going and getting there quickly.

But I want to mark two recent milestones in GraceLife's ministry. First, this summer we graduated our first group from GraceLife Institute, Burundi. Fifty pastors and church leaders from Burundi, Rwanda, and Democratic Republic of Congo who have not had the opportunity for formal theological training, graduated with a good foundation in the gospel of grace and other training.

Second, we just published my book, *Simply by Grace*, in Burmese. Grace-oriented resources are rare in southeast Asia's poorest country. Our first ministry trip to Myanmar (Burma) was in January. Now we will bring GraceLife Institute there this coming January. The Burmese edition joins our Spanish edition as another translation of this introduction to the grace message. To God be the glory!



But like I said, I tend to focus on where we are going, and there are some exciting opportunities ahead. This fall includes conferences and teaching, and next year we take

the grace message to Myanmar, India, Philippines, Finland, Ghana, and Burundi (which includes Rwandans and Congolese). Meanwhile, we push ahead with translations of *Simply by Grace* in Telagu (India), Finnish, and Swedish.

It encourages me to know you are a part of all this. Thank you for following GraceLife's ministry, praying for us, and supporting us. I know you would agree with me that it's all by God's grace!

Until all hear,

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Charlie Bing

Grace Means Go!

 Sept. 12-14 — Men's Retreat, Conservative Christian Fellowship, Molalla, OR
Sept. 27 — Father/Son Breakfast, West University Baptist & Crosspoint Church, Houston
Sept. 28 — Bible Classes, West University Baptist & Crosspoint Church, Houston
Oct. 13-15 — Workshop, Free Grace Alliance Annual Conference, Dallas
Nov. 9 — Missions Conference, Cleburne Bible Church, TX

Dec. 1-5 — Teaching, New Tribes Bible Institute, Jackson, MI

Jan. 3-17 — GraceLife Institute training, Myanmar and India

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Up Close: Blessings Flowed in Africa!

Ghana — GraceLife Institute Training, July 3-17.

Team: Roger Fankhauser, Richard Grubbs, Ken Parlin, Tim Hill. Host partner: Fred Amoah Darko, Ambassadors for Christ International. Highlights:

 ψ 91 Pastors, leaders, and evangelists trained in two locations.

- ✤ 10 total graduated from GraceLife Institute.
- Church preaching and ministry on Sundays



Burundi — GraceLife Institute Training, August 9-20.

Team: Charlie Bing, Richard Grubbs, Marvin Effa, Todd Mathis, Sara Stevenson, Jenny Wall, Tracy Hallak, Amy Effa Host partner: Anicet Ndikuriyo, Grace Bible Church, Burundi. Highlights:

- ψ 162 pastors and leaders from Burundi, Rwanda, and Congo trained in two conferences.
- ✤ 50 total graduated from GraceLife Institute.
- W Church preaching on Sundays and ministry with women and youth during the week



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Mark Twain on heaven and dogs:

- "Dying man couldn't make up his mind which place to go to-both have their advantages, heaven for climate, hell for company!"
- · "Heaven goes by favor. If it went by merit, you would stay out and your dog would go in."
 - At least Twain understood the difference between grace and works!



Encouraging Words from **Burundi**

"We praise the Lord for our brothers from America who gave us this good news. They have taught us good lessons. Once we learned their teachings, there was a great joy we feel knowing that when I die I will go to be with the Lord. So we must always have these teachings. Before getting these lessons we were in confusion, always fearing if we are going to heaven because we did not know if we had enough

works. But with these teachings we know for sure we are going to heaven. Our wish is to see these teachings spread throughout all the country because many people have confusion about how to have eternal life."

- Chantal (Recent GraceLife Institute Graduate and wife of pastor Dionisie N. Ndayizeye in Burundi)



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