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bringing grace to life

A WORD FROM CHARLIE

About ten years ago Gracelife began with a vision to share the gospel of grace with the unsaved and the grace of the gospel with the saved. So, as I am so frequently asked, **“How is Gracelife doing?”**

In a word—better than we deserve! How’s that for grace? What I mean is that God has opened many doors of ministry so I can share the grace message all over the United States and around the world.

Sometimes people mean by that question “How is Gracelife doing *financially?*” I always appreciate that concern. In the 2 ½ years that we have had a full-time budget, we have grown to about 80% of meeting our need. But the truth is, some of our projects require funding that is not budgeted. Still, **I am always amazed at God’s goodness and the generosity of our ministry partners for these special needs.**

Now I am trusting God for the funding for our missions to India and to Ghana in 2008. Both require a lot of money that is above our operating budget. But we are committed to training the 600 pastors and evangelists in India and also the Christian leaders expecting us in Ghana.

I will not let them down!

At this time of year we celebrate the One who spared no expense to show us God’s love. What a model for us of giving and going beyond our comfort zones! Can we do any less than what Jesus has shown us? Can we keep the benefits of His sacrifice only to ourselves? **Christmas should remind us that *grace means go!***

Sharing the good news of the Savior is what I am all about. It is what Gracelife is all about. I am grateful for your partnership that makes this ministry possible.

Until all hear,

Charlie

Charlie Bing



Up Close: Training hundreds in India

Hundreds of pastors and evangelists in Kakinada and Hyderabad, India, are eagerly waiting for the training we will bring them in January. Charlie and Dale Taliaferro will teach them the grace message from the *Gospel of John* and *Romans*. This strategic ministry will multiply exponentially as those trained spread out to teach others. Your prayers and financial help will make this happen. Please consider making a commitment to pray and to give. Thank you!



Pastor Paparao Yelchuri who will host our pastors’ conference in Kakinada.

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Ministry in Focus Ministry in Focus



(left) Pastor Lamont Conyers & wife Tanya are faithfully teaching the grace message in Baltimore, MD, where Charlie spoke in September.



(above) Charlie felt right at home at Union Missionary Baptist Church (Chesapeake, OH, in September) with friends J. R. Harris, Pastor Bob Barbour, Dee & Beth Heinz.



(right) In October, Emmanuel Baptist Church (Starkville, MS) hosted a GraceLife Bible conference and a Free Grace Alliance regional meeting. Pastor Butch Simmons, J. B. Hixson, Senior Pastor Kenny Hodges, Charlie.



(left) Charlie presided and spoke at the Free Grace Alliance annual meeting in Arlington, TX, in October.



(left) At the November annual meeting of the Evangelical Theological Society in San Diego Charlie presented the grace message and met with good friends like Drs. John Hart, Steve Lewis, Gary Derickson, and J. B. Hixson.

Grace Means Go! Charlie's itinerary:

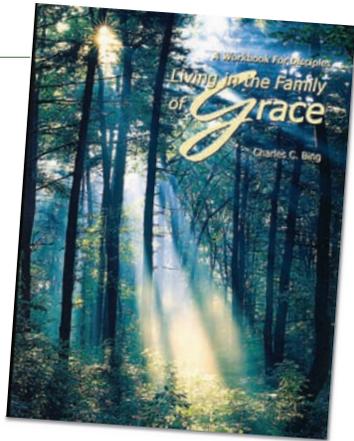
- Jan. 3-17 – India: Kakinada & Hyderabad Pastors' Conferences
- Jan. 22 – GraceLife Board Meeting, Burseson, TX
- Jan. 27 – Victor Street Bible Chapel, Dallas
- Jan. 31 – Cypress Valley Bible Church college group, Marshall, TX
- Feb. 22-23 – Free Grace Alliance Regional Meeting, Charlotte, NC
- Feb. 24 – Stough Baptist Church, Charlotte, NC
- Mar 6-8 – FGA Executive Council Meeting, Dallas



(above) While in southern CA, Charlie spoke at Church of Hope (Pastor Freddy Cortez) and really enjoyed the friendly folks.

Resources

Special Discount on *Living in the Family of Grace*! Get any quantity of this popular book for only \$10 each (includes shipping). Call or order online with promotional code **"Winter07."** Listen to some who have used it:



I thought you'd like some feedback on how the small group is going . . . I am enjoying the study and getting a lot out of it. Almost everyone is coming every week which tells me they think it is a worthwhile thing to do. I think everyone is actually doing the study during the week . . . Anyway, I love the approach you have taken with the study and it's not just for "new" believers; good job. I think it is well-written and well-thought out, and even though I have finished 5 weeks of it, I'm sold! — Ray Y., TX

We just finished [*Living in the Family of Grace*]. We enjoyed it, learned a lot, and have seen many changes in our lives as we studied it . . . I just wanted to write and let you know that it is a great study and how much God has blessed our lives as we learned . . . We are a group of 5 ladies (3 new-born Christians) who are growing stronger in their faith from your study . . . We are looking forward to learning more on our discipleship journey. — Christi M., PA

Keep in Touch!

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Encouraging Words



Hi Charlie. I hope you are doing well. I wanted to tell you that I am being baptized tomorrow . . . I really owe my spiritual growth to you. I trusted the Lord when I was young but then through the years I was not going anywhere. When I had your New Testament class and heard your clear message of grace and knowing without any doubt that all the works-based things you hear are not true, that is when I started growing again in Christ . . . In addition to your sermons and class where you spoke about baptism, I also have read your GraceNotes — these are very clear and useful. I'm ready to make my public commitment to Christ and begin my life as a disciple. God bless you my friend and thanks again.

— Steve Hendrix, Plano, TX

Falling from Grace



Better not cry, I'm telling you why . . . *"For there is born to you this day in the city of David a Savior, who is Christ the Lord."* — Luke 2:11



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