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## A WORD FROM CHARLIE

**S**omeone recently asked me a good question,

“How can a whole ministry be built around grace?” The answer is simple: *Because the most important thing is to keep the most important thing the most important thing!*

Grace is at the core of how we become Christians and how we live out our new lives. Grace is so important because it . . .

-  saves us. Eph. 2:8
-  frees us from sin and the law. Rom. 6:14
-  builds us up and gives us an inheritance. Acts 20:32
-  establishes our hearts. Heb. 13:9
-  meets our needs. Heb. 4:16

That’s a pretty tall order for such a short word! As soon as I exhaust the significance of grace for Christians and non-Christians, I’ll move on to the next subject. Right now we are in an epidemic of doubt and confusion about the grace of God and how it applies to salvation and Christian living. When the unsaved understand the gift of God; when the clear gospel is preached everywhere; when doubts, fears, and insecurities are eradicated, we can stop teaching about God’s grace.

So I’ll keep sharing it while the Lord allows. Inside this newsletter you will see how teaching grace made a difference to six African countries this summer and how our resources will help you share the message of God’s grace with others.

Thank you for your interest and support of this ministry. There’s still a lot to do!

Until all hear,

Charlie Bing



### *Grace Means Go! Charlie's Itinerary:*

- Sept. 13 – First Baptist Church, Chama, NM, message
- Sept. 22-Dec. 15 (Tuesday nights) – Grace School of Theology, Houston, teaching Acts & Pauline Epistles
- Oct. 5-7 – Free Grace Alliance Annual Conference, Arlington, TX, message & workshop
- Nov. 8 – Bear Creek Bible Church, Keller, TX, messages
- Nov. 17-20 – Evangelical Theological Society, New Orleans, presentation
- Nov. 20-22 – Maranatha Bible Church, New Orleans, conference
- Jan. 15-29 – Pastors’ Conferences, India

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# Up Close: Echoes from Africa

Six African nations were impacted with the grace message this summer! These are some testimonies from our two mission trips (Ghana & Burundi) which brought pastors from six countries. Richard Grubbs and Charlie also spoke to students at the University of Burundi.

"I was really moved by the teaching and the strong proof about grace . . . It is a very great experience and blessing for me." — Pastor Stephan (Mali)



Ghana team with pastors from Mali



The Burundi pastors.

*"I have been transformed through your teaching."*

— Pastor Richard Dokurugu (Ghana)

I was very blessed by these teachings of grace and have discovered that my salvation doesn't depend on my efforts. . . . I want to bring these teachings to the church that I lead in my country, also in my family. . . I invite GraceLife Ministries to my country.

— Pastor Mapya Kanigi (Democratic Republic of Congo)

*I thank God so much for the gift of the teachings you have given us this week. It was my pleasure to know more about the grace of God and how it is even bigger than I thought and to be very sure of my salvation. I hope that these teachers will also help those who are ministering in Rwanda and Congo.*

— Pastor Muhoza Lewi (Rwanda)



Pastors from Congo, Rwanda, Kenya

*I knew that there is grace, but now I have that experience. . . I don't have enough words to express how good I feel in my heart. May God bless you so much and those who helped you at home in the U.S.A.*

— Stephen M. Mwangi (Kenya)

I have been blessed from the Word of Grace that we got from the team from America. They helped my heart understand what I was reading and not understanding. I'm so eager to again read Romans and Galatians. We need to hear more teachings from you. — Pastor Gatako Titus (Burundi)

# Ministry in Focus



June 19-21 Charlie spoke on discipleship at a family camp for **Faith Evangelical Bible Church**, Winkler, Manitoba, Pastor Mike Comtois. (left)

On June 28 at **Northeast Bible Church**, Garden Ridge, TX (Pastor Fred Lybrand), Charlie preached "The Path of Disciple Making."



July 30-31 was the **Grace Leadership Conference**, Lake Zurich, IL. Charlie presented "Essentials of the Grace Perspective." Here Karen is with Suzzan Volk who went through *Living in the Family of Grace* with her church, **Twin Lakes Baptist**, Fort Lauderdale. (right)

August 2 Charlie spoke at **New Braunfels Bible Church**, TX for Pastor Phil Congdon who was in the Philippines.

August 9 at **Calvary Assembly**, Milpitas, CA, with Associate Pastor "Romie" Green. What a great group! (right)



## Encouraging Words

*Hey Charlie, The enclosed photo was taken at our church recently. [Floyd] in the tub responded to an invitation to attend our church . . . He also agreed to participate in a Bible study in my home. . . Our Bible study materials? Living in the Family of Grace! [He] finally understood the good news of the gospel in the lesson on Romans 4. . . He was baptized at our church. Thanks for providing a great Bible study tool.*

— Steve Congdon., Roseburg, OR



From left: Steve, Pastor Mike Ruyle, Floyd Ellison

Falling from Grace

THE BACK PEW - Jeff Larson

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Check out the new resources at [GraceLife.org](http://GraceLife.org). Soon you can listen to our first **Grace Moments** (Short commentaries on issues relating to the gospel and grace) or to Charlie's earlier sermons.

Hear Charlie speak at the **Free Grace Alliance Conference** **October 5-7!** Register at [www.FreeGraceAlliance.com](http://www.FreeGraceAlliance.com).



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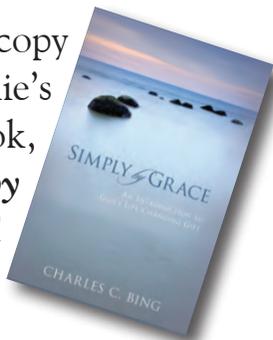
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## **Read Echoes from Africa**

