

GraceLife

MINISTRIES



bringing grace to life

A WORD FROM CHARLIE

Our recent trip to the Bahamas for a training conference provided a good metaphor for this ministry. Karen and I had a few days to enjoy the island. We loved the beach, water, and the waves. One thing predictable about waves is that when you get hit by one, another is sure to follow!

Ministry has been like that. Waves of activity are interspersed with the briefest periods of rest. The brief rest we enjoyed at the beach was followed by four days of intense ministry. Now that I'm home again, I'm facing a big end-of-year wave of ministry responsibilities—but it's all good!

Our recent election also reminds us that political fortunes come in waves. So also does history. There are dark times—as in the first century when Rome oppressively ruled the civilized world, and brighter times as when Jesus Christ was born as Savior of the world. And better—He's coming again!

I wonder if you feel like we are in a dark time in today's world. We see evil, lawlessness, immorality, amorality, murderous dictators, hate, greed, poverty—shall I go on? Or maybe you feel like you are in a dark time in your own life. Health, finances, relationships, spirituality, and so many other issues can come in waves of trouble.

Let this Christmas season remind you that God is in control of all seasons. Evil will cease and good prevail, as H. W. Longfellow wrote in the familiar Christmas carol, *I Heard the Bells on Christmas Day*. Read all the lyrics on Wikipedia someday. He was despairing about the Civil War in 1863 and heard the sound of cannons thundering—but then on Christmas morning rang the sound of bells, so he wrote the final stanza: "Then pealed the bells more loud and deep: 'God is not dead, nor doth He sleep; The Wrong shall fail, The Right prevail, With peace on earth, good-will to men.'" Yes, because of Jesus Christ, a good future is ours.

And with those words, Karen and I wish you a Christmas season filled with the hope of a better life and a better world to come because of Jesus Christ the Lord. We surely do appreciate you.

Until all hear,

Charlie Bing
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*Help us spread God's love and grace.
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greatly appreciated.*



Grace Means Go!

- November 16 – Hunting for Life evangelistic event, Burleson Bible Church, TX
- November 17 – St. Francis Protestant Fellowship, Fort Worth
- November 24 – Burleson Bible Church, TX
- January 6-8 – GraceLife Ministries board meeting, TX
- January 11-23 – Pastors' and church conferences, Peru
- March 1-14 – Word of Life Bible Institute, Philippines
- March 15 – Free Grace Alliance regional conference, Philippines
- March 22 – Free Grace Alliance regional conference, Burleson, TX



KEEP IN TOUCH
ON FACEBOOK!



UPCLOSE

Some
Christmas
wishes 

GraceLife has ministry partners around the world with special needs that we cannot meet from our general budget. If you would like to contribute to one of these projects with our trusted ministry partners, every dollar donated will go directly to them with no fees taken out. GraceLife will even pay the bank transfer fees. Gifts are tax-deductible. Designate on your gift "Preferred for [name of person or ministry]." Make it a merry Christmas for these laborers in the gospel!



BURUNDI

Pastor Anicet Ndikuriyo (with 60 Grace Bible Churches) needs \$5000 to purchase a plot to plant a church in a local village to make disciples of grace among the returnees from the Tanzania Refugee Camp displaced by Burundi's political violence.

MYANMAR

Evangelist Joseph Khan Sian needs \$7000 to hold GraceLife training for pastors for 100 days, including accommodations, meals, travel expenses, and translated literature.



BURUNDI

BEE (Bible by Extension Education) Myanmar director, Edward Han Bo Tun, needs about \$10,000 to help clothe and feed about 80 pastors and church members living in the jungle displaced by the military dictatorship which has burned their houses and is persecuting them.

PAKISTAN

Bible translator and podcast editor, Raheel Shakeel needs \$3000 for a new laptop to help in his work and \$20,000 to pay proofreaders to finish the translation of the New Testament into Urdu for Pakistan.



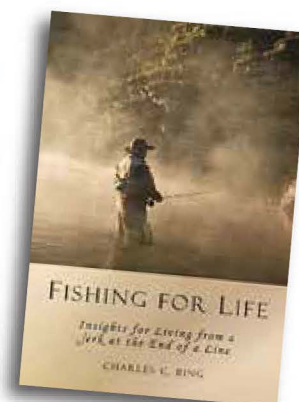
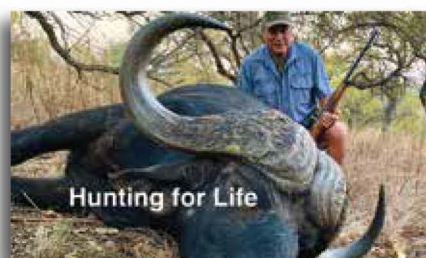
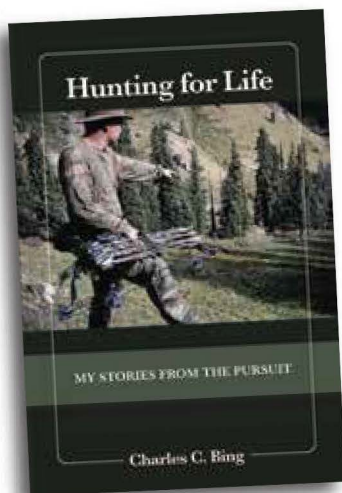
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>>>> A NEW BOOK! HUNTING FOR LIFE <<<<

In his newest book, Charlie takes you through stories from his lifetime of hunting. You will start in the eastern United States, make your way to Texas, then explore the western mountains and deserts. The pursuit will also transport you to Canada, Africa, and New Zealand. Along the way you will find ethical reasons for hunting and tasteful descriptions and pictures of the pursuit. Into these stories, Charlie weaves the gospel message. Whether you hunt or not, you will enjoy these stories and insights from the woods and fields and will want to share it with others. Get this book and other resources by scanning the QRC: Charlie also does evangelistic presentations based on the stories in his books *Hunting for Life* and *Fishing for Life*.



Ministry in Focus



In August at Bayside Community Church, Tampa, visited by Caleb Rockhammer



In August, United Christian Church with Pastor Wilson & Karen Masih, Garland, TX



In October, Free Grace Alliance International Conference, The Woodlands, TX



In November, Hunting for Life evangelistic event, Burlson Bible Church, TX



In November, St. Francis Protestant Church, Fort Worth



In October, Word of Life Theological Training Conference, Nassau, Bahamas, with Dave Kelly



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Encouraging Words



A perfect gift for the hard of hearing.

From a recent email:

Hi there, I am very thankful to God for your ministry. Both my wife and I were saved 3 years ago and attend a Reformed Baptist church. Very quickly after the Lord saved me by his grace I quickly fell into a works based way of relating to him. Long story short, I found the Simply by Grace podcast. I am so grateful. Thank you, Aidan