



Grace News Today

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BELOVED OF GOD, Greetings from your missionary partners here at Grace Evangelistic Ministries! We make the apostle Paul’s words our own: *[We] thank [our] God in all [our] remembrance of you, **always offering prayer with joy in [our] every prayer for you all, in view of your participation in the gospel from the first day until now. For [we are] confident of this very thing, that He who began a good work in you will perfect it until the day of Christ Jesus***” (Philippians 1:3-6). **“Rejoice in the Lord always; again, [we] will say rejoice!”** (Philippians 4:4).

What a challenge the Philippian Christians are to us even today! There’s no question in my mind that if there was such a thing as a perfect church in the apostolic era, the Philippian church would certainly have qualified for that distinction. When the apostle Paul contemplated his missionary work, he addressed them as his *“joy and crown”* (Philippians 4:1). They loved the apostle Paul dearly. They made sure that the same truth that had enriched their own lives was available to others. Of these, the apostle testified,

*Now, brethren, we wish to make known to you the grace of God which has been given in the churches of Macedonia, **that in a great ordeal of affliction their abundance of joy and their deep poverty overflowed in the wealth of their liberality.** For I testify that according to their ability, and beyond their ability, they gave of their own accord, begging us with much urging for the favor of participation in the support of the saints, and this, not as we had expected, but they first gave themselves to the Lord and to us by the will of God (2 Corin. 8:1-5).*

They understood the need to reach out to others. Beloved, on the same note I unapologetically express to you my profound gratitude. You have stood with us to ensure that the gospel of grace, that has brought salvation to you, reaches others. Testimonies are pouring in from around the world. God alone is using us and materials from this ministry, *Riding the Death Train* (our gospel pamphlet) and other publications, to bring many into His Kingdom. We are pleased to share some of these testimonies with those in our e-mail café. You can receive these reports, and also our road reports. Simply request that we include

you on our e-mail café by e-mailing us at news@GEMworldwide.org

We greatly rejoice in what the Lord is accomplishing through you and G.E.M. as we take the good news to those in bondage, one person, one family, and one nation at a time. Many are embracing sound Bible teaching. We close our letter to you, by sharing this e-mail from the President of a Biblical Institute in Congo:

“True. I have been trying to meditate and find words good enough to express my appreciation for the ministry. But I failed. However, I want to say A BIG THANK YOU FOR YOUR MINISTRY AMONG us here in Bukavu (Congo). In fact, you would not realize how much we have been blessed and brought back to the real foundation of Christianity. The church needs such teaching in order to face the actual situation. This is what I would call revival—going back to the Bible. Apart from teaching and your material at the Bukavu Bible Institute, we are arranging to hold a seminar down the country...to pass on what we have received from God through your ministry.... Grace to you all.” Rev. Malanda

Please stand with us in prayer!
Every blessing to you!

Moses C. Onwubiko & GEM Team

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WORDS OF ENCOURAGEMENT

Count Your Blessings! Nehemiah 4:6-8

So we built the wall and the whole wall was joined together to half its height, for the people had a mind to work. Now when Sanballat, Tobiah, the Arabs, the Ammonites and the Ashdodites heard that the repair of the walls of Jerusalem went on, and that the breaches began to be closed, they were very angry. All of them conspired together to come and fight against Jerusalem and to cause a disturbance in it.

Listen to Nehemiah’s amazing report: **“So we built the wall and the whole wall was joined together to half its height, for the people had a mind to work.”** Fantastic report, is it not? On the surface, everything was going smoothly, no hitches, no headaches; *“the people had a mind to work.”* All of a sudden, Sanballat, Tobiah and their team showed up to counteract the great work Nehemiah and his people were doing. Sound familiar?

Are you where Nehemiah and his people were in the arena of no shortcomings; all good reports, then unexpectedly your whole world flipped upside down? You lost your dream job. Or your loved one died. Or you are diagnosed with a life threatening disease. Or perhaps you are hit with another kind of life turbulence. If so, this word of encouragement is tailored for you. It is important to remember: Satan does not want you to progress; not then, not now, and not ever! He hates it when everything is going well for you. He hates it when you are in good health. He hates it when you are on top of the world in your marriage. He hates it when you are financially sound. He hates every blessing that comes your way. That’s his nature—an enemy of progress! That’s Nehemiah’s story: Satan hated the news that they were making tangible progress in their building project. What did he do? He sent his minions to interrupt their work and diffuse their joy in unity and progress.

My beloved, what has Satan sent your way in order to deprive you of the *“joy of the Lord”* (Nehemiah 8:10)? What has he sent to cause you to be discouraged? He sent Sanballat, Tobiah and their team to bring discouragement to Nehemiah and his workers. Discouragement is our number one enemy on the spiritual battlefield. Whatever the case, let’s learn from

Nehemiah:

*When I saw **their fear**, I rose and spoke to the nobles, the officials and the rest of the people: **‘Do not be afraid of them; remember the Lord who is great and awesome’** (Nehemiah 4:14).*

The key in his word of encouragement is **“remember.”** REMEMBER the Lord who is great and awesome. Frankly, when we take our eyes or memory off of the Lord we are guaranteed to lose our spiritual balance. Nehemiah calmed his colleagues’ fear by challenging them to recall. He too recounted:

I told them how the hand of my God had been favorable to me and also about the king’s words which he had spoken to me. Then they said, ‘Let us arise and build.’ So they put their hands to the good work (Nehemiah 2:18).

He counted his blessings. He recounted God’s faithfulness and God’s favor toward him. Recounting *“how the hand of [our] God had been favorable to [us]”* ought to be the rocket fuel that blasts us, against all odds, into the stratosphere of hope knowing that the same God, who has been faithful to us in the past, will see us through our present predicament! That’s what Nehemiah based his confidence on—God’s past dealings.

No matter what you are going through take a deep breath and begin to numerate God’s many blessings in your life.

My beloved, no matter what you are going through take a deep breath and begin to numerate God’s many blessings in your life. **Count your blessings!** I am sure when you are finished you will be amazed to see what the Lord has done! The same God, who blessed you in the past, is still on His Throne. He will see you through - just like he saw Nehemiah through!

So the wall was completed on the twenty-fifth of the month Elul, in fifty-two days. When all our enemies heard of it, and all the nations surrounding us saw it, they lost their confidence; for they recognized that this work had been accomplished with the help of our God (Nehemiah 6:15-16).

So, *“Be strong and courageous, do not fear or be dismayed because of the king of Assyria nor because of*

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all the horde that is with him; for the one with us is greater than the one with him. 'With him is only an arm of flesh, but with us is the LORD our God to help us and to fight our battles.' And the people relied on the words of Hezekiah king of Judah" (2 Chronicles 32:7-8, cf. 1 Samuel 17:47b).

May you rely on my words for encouragement today in the same way believers long ago relied on the words of Hezekiah and Nehemiah. God will "fight our battles."

DOCTRINE OF GRACE

KING DAVID, A SYMPHONY OF GOD'S GRACE

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"Your word is a lamp to my feet And a light to my path" (Psalm 119:105).

We ran into a bump in our last issue (Vol. 55). There we had a glimpse of David's first spiritual failure, his untruthfulness to the priest (1 Samuel 21:2). There, the principle of God's unsearchable grace toward David and all of us for that matter, hit us right between the eyes! My beloved, Scripture does not condone lies. Contrarily, ***"Therefore each of you must put off falsehood and speak truthfully to his neighbor"*** (Ephesians 4:25 NIV). The grammatical construction of Ephesians 4:25 in the Greek is intriguing. It is in the imperative mood, present tense. This is significant. This underscores the fact that truthfulness is a virtue no one is born with. Because of this, you and I are commanded (imperative mood) to keep on doing something (present tense) that is not natural to us, ***"SPEAK TRUTH EACH ONE of you"*** (Ephesians 4:25 NASB).

The truth of the matter is that we have a corrupt nature; we are *"of the flesh, sold into bondage to sin"* (Romans 7:14). *"Nothing good dwells in...[us]"* (v. 18). Our *"new nature,"* by means of regeneration is in a tug of war constantly with our *"old nature,"* *"they are waging war against the law of...[our minds]"* (v.23). It's self-deception, or wishful thinking at best, to presume that regeneration is tantamount to eradication of the Sin Nature (the source of temptation). We deceive ourselves when we think that a born again believer is no longer subject to sin (1 John 1:8-10). The sooner we grasp the truth, that regeneration is a declaration of spiritual war, the better armed we will be. Consequently, the sooner we realize that it's a platform for intense battle between our two natures (old and new), the better we will be equipped spiritually to *"extinguish all the flaming missiles of the evil one"* (Ephesians 6:16). Our Lord reveals the origin of man's nature as we see in the following verse,

You are of your father the devil, and you want to do the desires of your father. He was a murderer from the beginning, and does not stand in the truth because there is no truth in him. Whenever he speaks a lie, he speaks from his own nature, for he is a liar and the father of lies (John 8:44).

There we have it on record! The Sin Nature is always in opposition to our new nature (Galatians 5:16). It wages war against us constantly. Its goal is to cause us to lose our spiritual balance. David was a mature or a maturing believer at the time he lied to Ahimelech, the priest, (1 Samuel 21:1). Interestingly, it's the same David, who years back, stood boldly, fearlessly and courageously before Goliath and challenged him. But face-to-face with the priest, he was caught in a web of fear. There, he swallowed truth and spewed out lies. Why did he lie to God's servant? **Fear**. Fear caused him to fumble away spiritual integrity.

The lesson here is obvious: spiritual failure is both a reminder and a warning of what we are against. Though we have *"put on the new man"* according to Scripture (Colossians 3:10), we still wear the coat of the *"old man"* (Romans 7:15-18). The devil still wants to get us in trouble with the Supreme Court of heaven. But hold it! Before anyone can go about blaming the Sin Nature for his failures, remember: temptations come from our Sin Nature; spiritual failures come from personal volition (James 1:13-14). **We fail because of the choices we make**. This brings us to an examination of David's second failure.

David's Fakery of Insanity

God never condoned David's failures. God is the sovereign Judge. He always has been and always will be. We do not have all the facts, God does! He knows every fact surrounding every failure, past, present and future. We do not; that's why He's God, and we are not. Because of this, God alone reserved the right to pass judgment on David. We are to refrain from the temptation of fault-finding (James 5:9). We ought to resist outright the temptation of castigating him, "How dare David do such a thing." We are not to pass judgment on him, or anyone else for that matter (Romans 14:4-13).

No one is immune to failure (Ecclesiastes 7:20; cf. Psalm 130:3). It's the quintessence of self-righteousness to sit on our own failures and pass judgment on others. That's evil. What's more, we cannot be judgmental and critical of others and at the same time remain in fellowship with God.

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Impossible! The truth is simple, we cannot wear a badge of love and of criticism at the same time. Instead, we ought to spend more time examining and correcting ourselves rather than others. On the other side, when it comes to helping the fallen saints we must do so with love, gentleness and great care (Galatians 6:1).

With this in mind we enter David’s drama, where he fooled “Achish king of Gath” by acting like a madman.

David arose and fled that day from Saul, and went to Achish king of Gath. But the servants of Achish said to him, ‘Is this not David the king of the land? Did they not sing of this one as they danced, saying, and ‘Saul has slain his thousands, And David his ten thousands?’ David took these words to heart and greatly feared Achish king of Gath. So he disguised his sanity before them, and acted insanely in their hands, and scribbled on the doors of the gate, and let his saliva run down into his beard. Then Achish said to his servants, ‘Behold, you see the man behaving as a madman. Why do you bring him to me? ‘Do I lack madmen, that you have brought this one to act the madman in my presence? Shall this one come into my house?’ (1 Samuel 21:10-15).

While Scripture left out David’s reason for lying to the priest, as we studied earlier, here it pleased the Holy Spirit to supply us with the reason why he acted insanely: **fear**. He “greatly feared Achish king of Gath.” He may have reasoned, “If I don’t act this way, the king could arrest me, and perhaps alerted King Saul of my whereabouts.” Fear is our worst enemy in the spiritual life. Fear has robbed a great number of us of our blessing.

We have touched on this subject in some of our publications. But like the apostle Peter, “...I shall always be ready to remind you of these things, even though you already know them, and have been established in the truth which is present with you. And I consider it right [paramount], as long as I am in this early dwelling [alive], **to stir you up by way of reminder**” (2 Peter 1:12-13).

The principle of inculcation is that hearing something twice or more greatly highlights and underscores the concept of reception, retention and recall. So let’s break here and briefly revisit the subject of fear.

Fear Revisited

Sadly, *fear* is a lack of trust in God. It is failure in a dilemma to recall and apply pertinent doctrinal aspects of God’s essence: *love, omnipresence, omniscience, veracity, sovereignty and omnipotence*. **Love**, for instance, as a component of God’s essence (1 John 4:8), speaks of His care. As a loving Father, He loves you more than words can express, and “*nothing can separate us from His love*” (Romans 8:37-39).

Omnipresence underscores the fact that He is there on the spot with you. You are not facing your problem alone; He is right there with you! This is why He said, “*Do not fear, for I am with you*” (Isaiah 41:10; cf. Matthew 28:20).

Omniscience reminds you that your present circumstance was known to the all-wise God billions of years ago in eternity past. He made provision to take care of your problem long, long before you were born. This He reminded Jeremiah, “**Before I formed you in the womb I knew you, and before you were born I consecrated you; I appointed you a prophet to the nations**” (Jeremiah 1:5). In other words, “Jeremiah, if you knew that I am, the God of the universe; if you knew that I knew all your flaws and frailties; if you knew that no one can undo My plan, if you knew that My plan is bound to be executed in TOTO, then you would have no cause to fret or complain about your shortfalls.”

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Moving on, **veracity** echoes His truthfulness. God cannot lie concerning His plan for your life (Numbers 23:19). Abraham knew that God cannot go back on His Word, he “*was fully assured that what He [God] had promised, He was able to perform*” (Romans 4:21).

Sovereignty reminds you that He is King of kings, Lord of lords; and that no plan of man can ever supersede His.

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Omnipotence seals the fact that God is all-powerful. He has what it takes to ensure that His plan for your life cannot be thwarted (Job 42:2). That means he will remove any obstacle that threatens His plan. Understanding this Biblical truth ought to build a protective wall in your soul, to seal it off from a barrage of fear that wages war against it. You have no reason to be afraid if you know that God is at both ends of your life's journey!

In practicality, mastering God's essence dispels fear on every front. *"People who know their God... carry out great exploits [without fear]"* (Daniel 11:32 NKJV)! Daniel was great in that he knew his God. Because he knew his God, he was courageous and so handled every pressure, crisis or difficulty without fear. When subjected to idolatry, *"Daniel made up his mind that he would not defile himself with the kings choice food"* (Daniel 1:8).

He wasn't afraid of the king, nor the consequences of his decision not to be defiled. That's not all; King Dairus passed an edict that everyone who made petitions to any other god, except his idol, would be thrown into the lion's den. Daniel defied that too and prayed to God alone (Daniel 6:6-11). He knew that God was sovereign and omnipotent and that His mandates were supreme, not the king's. What's more, Daniel knew that God had a plan for his life which no man, not even the king, can thwart. He had the assurance within that God will safeguard His own at all cost. He knew that the omnipresent God was right there with him. Consequently, he knew that nothing not even hungry lions could terminate his life, until God's appointed time!

The same was true of Daniel's three friends. They defied the king's law that everyone in his province must bow to his statue. They defied his edict, even though they knew the penalty: being thrown into a furnace with a temperature over 1,000 degrees. In their fearlessness, they said to the king, ***"our God whom we serve is able to deliver us from the furnace of blazing fire [courage under fire]; and He will deliver us out of your hand, O king. 'But even if He does not, let it be known to you, O king, that we are not going to serve your gods or worship the golden image that you have set up'"***(Daniel 3:18).

We are far from these men of the old! Therein is the cure for fear—KNOWING WHO YOUR GOD IS, AND WHAT HE IS CAPABLE OF!

A lifestyle of fear is a sign-post of spiritual immaturity. Spiritual babes fear constantly. They fear when things fall apart in their life. They fear when they are diagnosed with a terminal disease. They fear when the giants of this life confront them. They panic when stock markets spiral downward. They fear, even when a mosquito charges at them. But, for mature believers *"There is no fear in love; but perfect love casts out fear, because fear involves punishment, and the one who fears is not perfect in love"* (1 John 4:18).

The apostle John used love as a synonym for maturity, *"There is no fear in love."* In other words, there's no fear in maturity, for *"perfect love [maturity] casts out fear."* He went on to say that *"fear involves punishment."*

What does he mean? *Fear involves punishment* because the believer, in essence, is saying "God is almighty; but not mighty enough for my problem." My beloved, that's reducing God's power to something base (of no value). Even worse, it's a blasphemous thought and those who blaspheme God in their minds often pay a heavy price. Think of it; over two million Jews died in the wilderness because of *fear* of the giants (Numbers 13:1-16,14:4).

When they saw the giants, *fear* gripped them and flushed all recollection of God's past faithfulness out of their memory. They forgot His saving power, which ranged from breaking the yoke of Egypt against them with 10 superb miracles, to drying up the Red Sea, where He delivered them and drowned the Egyptian army. They *"did not remember [His] wondrous deeds which [God] had performed among them"* (Nehemiah 9:17). *Fear* erased all the mighty works of God from their memory and left them trembling in front of the giants! They panicked and forgot that God was with them (Exodus 13:21-22).

We all fail regardless of the level of our spiritual growth. Occasionally, unexpected turbulence of this life rocks our soul and stirs up our adrenals, triggering fear. That's a normal physiological reaction. BUT we, as believers, ought not to allow the fear thereby generated to trouble our souls. We ought to stabilize our souls quickly by referencing God's Word, ***"Do not fear, for I am with you; Do not anxiously look about you, for I am your God. I will strengthen you, surely I will help you, Surely I will uphold you with My righteous right hand"*** (Isaiah 41:10). So, my beloved, remember, *"God has not given us a spirit of fear"* (2 Timothy 1:7). Conversely we have no reason, whatsoever to entertain fear. This ends our brief detour into the review of fear. Now, we return to David's drama.

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We do not know David’s state of mind when he was at the king’s palace. We do not know why fear gripped him and caused him to act deceptively. Digging into David’s soul to uncover the reason is beyond the scope of our work. You say, “Isn’t he *“cunning”* (1 Samuel 23:22), why didn’t God choose someone else better than David?” Good question; but there’s no one else better that God could have used to demonstrate the word **“GRACE”**. God’s treatment of David paints a picture of grace that you and I can see vividly. We capture a glimpse of how He treats all of us in grace! You get the point? God’s grace is unfathomable. It’s BIGGER than all our failures! People who think that they are better than someone else are often the most arrogant of people. Please note: God does things through and for us, not because of who we are, but because of who and what He is. Let this truth sink deep. David, indeed, was a *symphony of God’s grace* in every sense!

David was also a man of great humility. We gleaned his humble heart, not only from our study here in the book of Samuel, but more also from feasting our soul on his psalms. True, David occasionally failed in his spiritual life. But each time, he bounced back. That’s humility. Failure makes or breaks us; it stiffens arrogant necks but brings the humble back to God.

The arrogant man rationalizes his failures and explains them away or shifts blame to someone else; while a man of humility takes failures to heart and is reminded of his inadequacies and seeks correction. For example, in the time of the Bible, there were a handful of leaders who tortured God’s servants for being truthful. Ahab was one of them. When a priest told him the truth, instead of turning to God in humility, he imprisoned the priest (2 Chronicles 18:12-26). King Uzziah was indicted for sin. Pride ate him up; instead of turning to God in humility, he was enraged and *“leprosy broke out of his forehead”* (26:17-19). Leprosy was a warning sign to him that God cannot and does not tolerate pride.

David was the opposite. When confronted with sins of adultery and murder; he grieved within, *“I have sinned against the LORD”* (2 Samuel 12:13). He was a phenomenal individual with a mellowed heart. His heart was always God-ward, no matter what happened. What a man! Moving forward, we catch up with David at Keilah.

David at Keilah

“Indeed, none of those who wait for

Thee will be ashamed; those who deal treacherously without cause will be ashamed” (Psalm 25:3).

There are two sides to this passage, *“those who wait for”* God, and *“those who deal treacherously without cause.”* David was the former; he waited, and Saul the later dealt treacherously. Saul continued to pursue David relentlessly without reason. On the other hand, David continued to tirelessly run for his life. He knew that God had a plan for his life; and that God would bring His plan to fruition. One thing about David: He was not in a hurry. He knew that Saul was a treacherous man; but integrity kept David from praying that God would end Saul’s life and turn his kingdom over to him. He simply waited on the Lord. Are you like

He (David) knew that God had a plan for his life; and that God would bring His plan to fruition.

David, waiting patiently on the Lord? If so, make David’s words your own, **“Indeed, none of those who wait for Thee will be ashamed.”** God is a God of perfect timing. He has NEVER been late. He’s ALWAYS on time and on target! You see, one cannot offer what he does not have. You cannot, in good conscience, give anyone advice about patience if you, yourself, are impatient. David could “wait on the Lord” (Psalm 37:34). He had a mastery of patience. Even while he waited on the Lord’s perfect timing he was still on the look-out for the interest of others.

Then they told David, saying, ‘Behold, the Philistines are fighting against Keilah and are plundering the threshing floors.’ So David inquired of the LORD, saying, ‘Shall I go and attack these Philistines?’ And the LORD said to David, ‘Go and attack the Philistines and deliver Keilah’ (1 Samuel 23:1-2).

David was always in tune with heaven (23:2, 7-12). Think of it, David has had victory after victory, against the Philistines and yet when he had opportunity to fight them again he did not rely on his past victories. He simply *inquired of the LORD*, *“Shall I go and attack these Philistines?”* He went and the Lord gave him victory. No wonder, he later sang, *“He trains my hands for battle”* (Psalm 18:34); and *“girded me with strength for battle”* (v. 39); *“The king is not saved by a mighty army; A warrior is not delivered by great strength. A horse is false hope for victory; Nor does it deliver anyone by its great strength”* (33:15-17).

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This expression highlighted David’s mental attitude of humility! David continued to run for his life, as “Saul sought him every day” (1 Samuel 23:14). While in the wilderness, his best friend, Jonathan, “Saul’s son, arose and went to David at Horesh, and encouraged him in God” (v. 16). You read it correctly. He encouraged him in the Lord. What a son! What a believer! What a friend! We will pause and examine one of the great ministries of the saints, the ministry of encouragement. This we will do, when we pick up in the next issue, God willing! Until then, may God richly bless you my beloved!

Now to Him who is able to do far more abundantly beyond all that we ask or think, according to the power that works within us, to Him be the glory in the church and in Christ Jesus to all generations forever and ever. Amen.

More to come, in Vol. 57 of *Grace News Today!*

MISSIONARY REPORTS

May 2 - June 9, 2011

Rev. Moses has just returned from a seven country mission trip that lasted from May 2, 2011 until June 9, 2011. Pastor Azam organized the first half of the trip and Dr. Rao organized the last and was able to travel with Rev. Moses in Asia. We are grateful to God for the overwhelming response. You can be confident that He has answered your prayers in a marvelous way. In every venue once they discovered the truth that Moses brought they began to not only lengthen the scheduled sessions, but also to add teaching sessions. They had never heard teaching like this and they wanted more, more, more!

Wherever possible we taped the conference and will distribute videos free of charge to participants. We are also working on translations of *Riding The Death Train* in their indigenous languages. Comments from the pastors visited (in italics at the beginning of each country) give testimony that God continues to send G.E.M. to pockets of positive volition around the globe. You will notice a common thread in each of their comments. (Each was a first visit with the exception of Australia). We continue to be amazed as God continues to lead us to these very special men. The Lord has brought Moses and these like minded men of God together from opposite sides of the world...handpicked for this special time together. We give God all the praise and all the glory for the work He is doing. A wonderful reminder of our Lord's reassuring promise... “I will build

my church; and the gates of hell shall not prevail against it.” (Matthew 16:18)

Australia: May 2011

Pastor Azam, Host

People in the seminar seemed as if they were listening to the gospel message for the first time in their life. There was pin drop silence in the church. We were very thankful for free Moses’ books and thank God for His grace to share the good news among the hopeless believers who are not sure about their salvation. Now they are rejoicing in the knowledge that the Lord Jesus Christ paid the full price for their salvation.

Moses explained two things that are the secret power of our spiritual life. Two things give us power everyday to move forward with joy and in a victorious way. That is the resurrection of Christ and the prophesies of the Bible which were fulfilled in Christ - that's why the Bible is the true Word of God. People thanked Moses for coming to the seminar because they were so blessed.

On the second day Keith, from Melbourne, demonstrated his model of the tabernacle and explained how all things in the tabernacle represent Christ and His sacrifice. It was fantastic and people liked it very much. Then Moses taught about “Salvation” through faith alone, which many seemed to be hearing for the first time. After the meetings people met Moses and thanked him for the message and for the free books.

Thanks, and God bless you.

New Zealand: May 2011

Pastor Moses Singh, Host

We all were so blessed by the ministry of God’s Word. You have inspired my walk of faith. Your books and teaching are a great blessing. Our people enjoyed all those stories and principles from the Word that you brought. Pastor Moses, you now have a home in New Zealand, you are always welcome.

Fiji: May 2011

Pastor Hemraj, Host

It is evident that the message being ministered by Rev. Moses is for this hour. To us - it gave clarity and new revelation. We were blessed. Our connection was made by God in His sovereignty. It is all about His purpose and plan. We look forward to his next visit.

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Rev. Moses spoke on Sunday at a church and Pastor Hemraj interpreted the lesson into Hindi. The two day pastor’s conference had many more attending than were anticipated. Korea, Nigeria, Canada, and New Zealand were also represented in the audience. One Nigerian man came 4 hours across the island because he saw an ad with Moses picture and recognized his Nigerian name.

As Christianity declines in a culture, evil rises. As the church we are to give light, if there is no light that is the fault of the church. He went on with a two-day study on Justification and then reconciled some difficult passages. Many pastors expressed their thanks and said they were greatly encouraged. Debby taught the children's program for two days assisted by Esther, a missionary from Korea! We were excited to see several Hindu children who had come as guests.

Sunday afternoon we taught at a low income housing project where Esther holds weekly service for the kids. God was so gracious; it rained before and after the conference but the Lord granted us perfect weather for the duration of our visit. We are grateful for all those behind the scenes who did so much to make the program a success and of course to God who brings the hearers! We are also grateful for the Pastor’s wife, Lata, who spoiled Moses with many home cooked meals and his favorite rice!

Indonesia: May 2011
Pastor Hizkia, Host

Pastors have never heard that kind of teaching before. It was very simple and easy to understand the Gospel about salvation and justification. They are so excited to know how to share the gospel with an unbeliever with confidence and the focus on the Gospel of Jesus Christ. Everyone is expecting that Pastor Moses of G.E.M. would come again next year. If possible every year because Indonesia is such a big country. On behalf of the seminar committee we would like to express our gratitude to Grace Evangelistic Ministries for all your support in prayer and finances.

Dr. Rao and Pastor Hizkia drove Moses 5 hours from the airport to the venue. Upon arriving at the destination the host told Moses that they were in the most dangerous area where there is much persecution!

Most of the Pastors attending the conference traveled from afar. They were very hungry for the truth and have been searching for it.

The sad part is that these pastors – working against all odds in a very hostile environment - have been taken advantage of by those who came as brothers in Christ. So many teachers have come that they don't know what or who to believe. But now they are so excited by what they have heard and they know that God has answered their prayer and that their search is over!

Day two was an all day session from 8:30 am - 5:30 pm with just a break for lunch. They even begged him to teach till midnight because of their desperate desire for truth. Moses was even invited to a wedding on Saturday!

On Sunday, they took him to another place to minister in Churches beginning at 6:30 a.m. Some from the first venue even followed Moses to the second venue, bringing their families, traveling 3 hours each way! They are hearing truth and are so hungry for it. One previous visiting teacher had told them that the more you know about God the more confused you will be. But now they see how simple truth is and they are rejoicing.

Singapore: May 2011
Pastor Christopher, Host

Praise God for Rev. Moses, the G.E.M. Board of Directors and the overall team. The two days ministry in Singapore was a great blessing. Indeed the teaching of Rev. Moses was very inspiring and challenging for everyone. We want him to come back again to teach what God has revealed in His Word.

The first day of the conference Rev. Moses taught about the Trinity and the 10 Attributes of God. Four pastors even came from nearby Malaysia! All the attendees, including the pastors who have been serving the Lord for decades, learned new things from the scriptures. We Praise Him.

The second day teaching was from 10:00 am – 3:00 pm. Those who attended were so happy and excited, and at the same time grieving for those who could not come. They had grown tired of seminar after seminar that yielded no results and since they did not know Moses they feared this might be more of the same. But now they have truth and they recognize it. One pastor kept saying “we were like a big ship that had lost its compass but this teaching has cleared our eyes.” They are looking to the future. A pastor who is a member of an association of 2,000 pastors wants to mobilize them to invite Moses back.

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Those who came over the border from Malaysia to Singapore planned to travel the 4 hours to the Malaysia venue to hear more teaching. They were grasping truth and were so happy.

Malaysia: May 30 and 31, 2011
Pastor Manikkam, Host

Thank you for coming and ministering in Malaysia. Specially the teaching of Rev. Moses. We were blessed and would like to have him again. I am making arrangements to translate the gospel booklet “Riding The Death Train” into the Malay language.

Everyone was wide awake and attentive - even at that late hour (8:00 pm to midnight) no one slept - not even youngsters or old people. The senior pastor even said that Moses’ teaching was a new revelation to him. Moses said that the pastor came to him with tears in his eyes - hugging him many times and thanking him for this truth.

The second session Rev. Moses began on one topic but the Holy Spirit switched him to the topic of grace. At that moment their eyes lit up! This was what their hearts were hungry to hear. One woman came up afterward and said she was just saved that night and asked many questions as to what she should do now to continue to grow in her Christian life. Others thanked him profoundly and said this is what has been missing. There were almost 200 people present including 2 bishops, and many pastors.

A youth leader came from China and another from Sri Lanka. The youth minister from China expressed his thanks for simplifying salvation. The Pastor from Sri Lanka was all praise for the Lord saying “this is the purpose God sent me all the way to Malaysia.” There was great happiness in the hearts of many who attended.

Cambodia: June 2011
Pastors Barnabas and Meas, Hosts
(Dr. Rao Reports)

We had an excellent conference of nearly 100 pastors and their spouses from the capital and all the provinces, in this land where Buddhism is the main religion. Rev. Moses taught until 4:00 pm as many pastors had to travel back to their respective villages and town, some were 200 miles away! Once again Rev. Moses has poured his heart into teaching them. I trust that many gained good knowledge from scripture, knowledge of grace - including myself! They all left the seminar with reluctance.

At the close of the seminar all the pastors gathered around us, and praised God for us and the teaching and prayed for us. Everyone came and shook hands with us and thanked us. On Sunday Rev. Moses taught the youth, highlighting the life of Daniel and challenging them to emulate him in their Christian lives.

Dr. BVSN Rao Comments
International Director, G.E.M. Asia

This fortnight has been a blessed one in my spiritual and ministerial life. Spending days with the Bible encyclopedia personified in Rev. Moses was truly enjoyable and a process of edification. I learned a lot.

Problems, troubles, diseases, disorders, temptations come and go. HIS Grace is sufficient. This is what I learned in these two weeks. Am more strengthened now. I leave all my problems to HIM who fulfills all my needs through Christ Jesus from the Glorious Riches of HIS Heaven. I praise Him.

UPCOMING TRIPS

Rev. Moses Onwubiko

September: United Kingdom

Follow up by G.E.M. Team Members

August: Kenya

October: Tanzania, Kenya

December: Kenya

If you are reading this newsletter and you are without hope, without Christ, without eternal life, you can believe in Him for salvation now. The Bible tells us simply:

“Believe in the Lord Jesus, and you will be saved” (Acts 16:31).

Will you trust Him now?

LETTERS TO G.E.M.

Dear Sir,

I am grateful for the books you sent to me. May the Almighty God lift you from grace to grace in Jesus name, Amen. In fact going through the texts, they have added value and purpose to my life. May the Lord Almighty reward you more abundantly, In Jesus Our Savior’s name, Amen.

I also enclosed in the envelope new orders as noted on the publication order form. Sir, don’t relinquish in your efforts to bring people around the world to the full knowledge of God, and the gospel of Christ. Thanks and may God continue to bless and guard you.

Seminary, Nigeria

Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

I found your address in a book called *Comfort in Suffering*. I enjoyed the book very much. I have in my heart a desire to write to you and ask about your ministry. I know that people in prison here need sound teaching and would probably enjoy your books. I know I was uplifted by your book that I read.

A little about me...I was not raised up in church...saved at 19, now 54. Am struggling with a desire for vengeance. Want to start a ministry when released. Feel that many Christians are dead in their faith. Sometimes feel I need to leave this country and spread the gospel in countries where the people will respond to God’s Word (in comparison to the U.S.A.).

Jail, Georgia, USA

Dear Brothers in Christ:

I was very grateful and moved in spirit when I read one of your booklets, *Riding the Death Train*. Very teachable and full of spiritual understanding. Please, your labour is not in vain - 1 Cor 15:58. Sir, we wish to receive this tract and other basic books that will help us in our spiritual lives here in our tract distribution center. We share gospel literature in our local villages about 253 km from here. Special greetings to the president, brother Moses C. Onwubiko.

Cameroon

Hi Moses:

I’m 26 years old and I’m from West Africa (Togo). Right now I am in Jail in Tucson, Arizona where I live. I have read your book *Paul: A Trophy of God’s Grace*. Now I’m writing you to request some of your other books. *Comfort in Suffering*, *God’s Plan After Salvation* and *The Biblical Doctrine of Salvation*.

Thank you in advance for sending me those books that will help me in my spiritual growth in the Word of God.

Tucson, AZ



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THANKSGIVING:

- For many open doors around the world.
- For protection and welcoming hospitality for the team as they travel.
- For desire for truth in Europe, Asia, Africa.
- For the knowledge that Jesus Christ controls history.
- For the hunger for *Riding The Death Train* (gospel tract) in Asia.

PETITIONS TO OUR FATHER:

G.E.M.

- Open doors and travel logistics for 2011 and 2012.
- Protection of staff and International Representatives.
- Divine provision and support for missionaries desiring full time work in the field.
- Additional qualified laborers for the mission field and mission work.
- Energy, wisdom, and discernment for G.E.M.'s God assembled team.
- Office staff, volunteers, supporters and their families.
- G.E.M. publications: writing, editing, publishing, distribution.
- G.E.M. website: development and content.
- Partners and supporters:
 - For the sick or terminally ill and their care givers.
 - Comfort for those who have lost loved ones.
 - Protection and growth for their businesses.
 - That God would continue to sustain and bless them.
- Land in Abuja, Nigeria, for G.E.M. Africa Headquarters.

United States

- President Obama for wisdom and guidance.
- Protection of U.S. military.
- The U.S. for a great revival, peace and freedom from terrorism.
- Bible teaching pastors and their ministries.
- Awakening of churches and their return to the Bible.
- Prison and youth ministries: for open doors and changed hearts.

World

- World leaders. (Daniel 2:21, 1 Timothy 2:1-2)
- Protection of Israel, God's chosen people and peace in Jerusalem. (Genesis 12:3)
- Peace in D.R. Congo, Kenya, Liberia, Nigeria, Pakistan, Sudan, Zimbabwe & the Middle East.
- Indigenous pastors: that God will equip them in every way.
- Salvation of unbelievers.
- The spiritual growth of new believers.
- Protection and deliverance for Christians persecuted for their faith.
- International translations of GEM publications: accuracy and supply.
- Provision for thousands of *Riding The Death Train* tracts to fill requests in Asia and Africa.

G.E.M OVERVIEW SUMMARY

(Entire Overview is available at www.GEMworldwide.org)

Grace Evangelistic Ministries is incorporated in the State of Tennessee as a nonprofit organization. We are a Christian, non-denominational, missionary oriented ministry, dedicated to evangelism and sound Bible teaching. Our main focus is evangelism; all other activities support our main goal. Our mission, in obedience to the command of Our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, is to: *“Go therefore and make disciples of all the nations”* (Matt. 28:19). We embrace the following:

OBJECTIVE #1 - EVANGELISM

Evangelize unbelievers, adults and children, with the simple, grace Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ.

OBJECTIVE #2 – NEW CONVERT FOLLOW-UP

Follow-up with those who choose to believe in Christ.

OBJECTIVE #3 – PREPARATION OF INDIGENOUS PASTORS

Because those who have responded to the Gospel will become unfruitful if they are not exposed to sound Bible teaching, *we will:*

- a) Hold pastors conferences in conjunction with every crusade.
- b) Introduce pastors and prospective pastors to doctrinally sound resources.
- c) Provide opportunities for churches to send missionaries.

OBJECTIVE #4 – SATELLITE CENTERS

We will establish foreign satellite centers for duplication of recorded Bible lessons and reproduction and distribution of doctrinal literature as funds become available.

OBJECTIVE #5 – PUBLICATIONS

- a) Prepare periodic newsletters, which include Bible exposition, and missionary reports.
- b) Convert the missionary teachings of Rev. Moses C. Onwubiko into books.
- c) Reprint overseas when possible to save costs.

OBJECTIVE #6 – ASSIST THE NEEDY

Caring for the needy or the poor is a timeless, Biblical principle and it is incorporated directly or indirectly in God's mandates. In light of this, our mission will embrace providing spiritual food for all and sustenance for the needy as the Lord provides and directs.

OBJECTIVE #7 – ESTABLISH A THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY ABROAD

Plan to establish a doctrinal theological seminary abroad as the Lord guides and provides.

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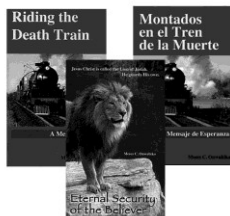
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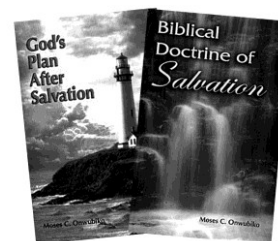
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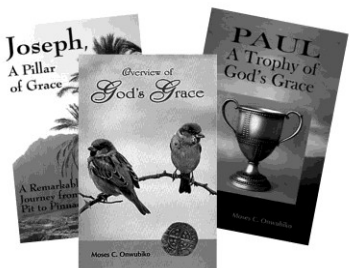
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Riding The Death Train is a clear presentation of the Gospel message. (Also available in Spanish and “online only” 15 other translations.

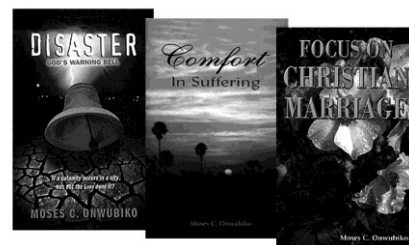
Eternal Security of the Believer provides a concise study on this important topic.



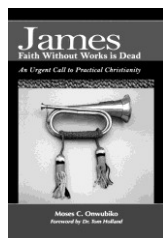
God's Plan After Salvation offers instructions for maturing in the faith. *Biblical Doctrine of Salvation* is an in-depth theological study of this doctrine.



God's grace is often talked about but seldom understood. Our series on Grace begins with *Overview of God's Grace* and then looks at the lives of two heroes of faith in *Joseph, A Pillar of Grace*, and *Paul, A Trophy of God's Grace*.



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