



# Grace News Today

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## “Faith Alone in Christ Alone”

DEARLY BELOVED ONE, Accept heartfelt greetings from your missionary team members here at Grace Evangelistic Ministries! We cannot thank God enough for you and your sacrifices and efforts in response to the Great Commission. Together we are obeying the voice of our Lord, **“Go therefore, and make disciples of all the nations...”** (Matthew 28:19).

Together we are reaching the hopeless, far and near, around the world with a message of hope. Hundreds of thousands of literatures have been printed and freely distributed, reaching many people of many different faiths. Untold numbers are responding to the gospel of grace, by faith alone in Christ alone (Ephesians 2:8-9). Many pastors are also being challenged to leave tradition behind and return to the Bible. What a privilege to be a part of history in the making! What an exciting opportunity for us all! Nothing can compare to the joyous experience of seeing a soul saved from eternal damnation (Luke 15:10). NOTHING!

Beloved, we have said it before, we will say it again: **Grace Evangelistic Ministries is totally God’s handiwork.** He established it for the praise of His glory! Many often ask, “How did you assemble your Board members?” “How did you get into those dangerous countries?” “Since you don’t engage in any fund-raising activity, how do you raise your support?” Every time we are asked any of these mouth-watering questions, our answer has always been the same: **GOD!** God is the One who assembled our team. He is the One who leads us in and out of dangerous countries. He alone provides for our needs, *“The silver and the gold are Mine”* (Haggai 2:8). What’s more, God opens doors for our ministry; above all, He stirs people to support any work that He approves, including ours (Ezra 1:1-5).

How true! A work done for the glory of God always has God’s full backing! God has been so faithful in meeting our needs! Undoubtedly He is using you as a vessel through which He channels His financial resources to us, *“And God is able to make all grace abound to you, that always having all sufficiency in everything, you may have an abundance for every good deed”* (2 Corinthians 9:8). Thank you for being sensitive to what God is doing

through our ministry! Thank you for being a part of God’s assembled team! It is our fervent prayer that His grace will continue to abound to you. We close our greeting to you by sharing one letter from those who have been impacted by this ministry:

*“Calvary greetings to you in Jesus name. With much joy in my heart, I have to thank you for the books Comfort in Suffering, Overview of God’s Grace, and God’s Plan after Salvation, which you sent to me. They were a source of encouragement, motivation in my spiritual life. Your books are Spirit-filled and a life changer. The truth in them penetrated into my heart. I can’t thank you enough. I humbly apply for more copies of these wonderful books of yours. I will be happy if my application receives your kind approval.*

*Yours in the body of Christ,  
Evangelist Augustine M. Africa.”*

Beloved, please keep on standing with us as we endeavor to reach out to those who are desperate for His truth!

Wishing you endless blessings in Christ!

Moses C. Onwubiko & your GEM Team

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## WORDS OF ENCOURAGEMENT

**“He will never allow the righteous to be moved”** (Psalm 55:22).

What a time to be alive! It is a time of economic meltdown, a time when natural disasters are at an all time high, a time when everything seems to be falling apart. People are struggling everywhere to make ends meet. So, my beloved, if the economy has hit your finances, or you have lost your dream job, or illness has taken a toll on you or some other disaster has come to you, then these words of encouragement are tailored for you.

We are in the field of harvest. For years, many have planted the seeds of disregard for God’s laws, (Galatians 6:7; cf. Ezekiel 7:5). Divine justice demands satisfaction. Thomas Jefferson, one of the founding fathers of the United States of America, correctly stated, **“I tremble for my country when I reflect that God is just, and His justice cannot sleep forever.”**

When people turn their backs on God, God responds in kind with disasters, one after another. This is the fact of history. Consider the people of Israel: they abandoned God for many years, and in response, *“God troubled them with every kind of disaster”* (2 Chronicles 15:3-6). By the way, God makes claims to be responsible for all disasters: *“I am the LORD... The One...creating calamity; I am the LORD who does all these”* (Isaiah 45:7; cf. Amos 3:6; Ecclesiastes 7:13-14; Psalm 104:4).

*(See Disaster: God’s Warning Bell by Moses C. Onwubiko.)*

My beloved, knowing that God is directly or indirectly responsible for every disaster or suffering, knowing that He uses it as a wake-up call (2 Chronicles 15:3-6), or as a means for spiritual development (Hebrews 5:8-9; cf. Job 23:10; James 1:2-4), we pause to honestly ask ourselves, how is our spiritual life? If our spiritual life is not what it ought to be, there is hope. We need to jump-start our spiritual life that the time of refreshing might be granted us according to the riches of His grace (Psalm 119: 67, 71; Isaiah 55:7). **But** if our spiritual life is on course, and still we have been hit hard with any kind of suffering, herein is a word of encouragement: **GOD IS IN CONTROL!**

We can count on His promise:

*Son of man, if a country sins against Me by committing unfaithfulness, and I [God] stretch out My hand against it, destroy its supply of bread, [economical downtrend]...even though these three men, Noah, Daniel, and Job [or any believer of spiritual integrity], were in its midst [in that nation], by their own righteousness they could only deliver themselves, declares the Lord GOD (Ezekiel 14:13-14).*

That is good news! God will safeguard His own even in times of national disasters. He will deliver the righteous through their suffering. The Bible tells us: *“Cast your burden upon the LORD... He will never allow the righteous to be shaken”* (Psalm 55:22; cf. Proverbs 10:30; Exodus 9:26).

So my beloved, no matter what we are going through, let us know that our *“Redeemer lives”* (Job 19:25), that He knows what He is doing in our lives. Let us be still as He works out His plan for and through us. He is faithful! We may not understand what He is doing.

It may not be making sense to us; however, we should never forget that God never makes a mistake. He will perfect His plan for our lives. So, let’s make Job’s words of assurance of God’s faithfulness our own, *“God knows the way I take [God knows every aspect of my suffering]; when He has tried me, I shall come forth as gold”* (Job 23:10).

He will see us through, no matter what. That is His character: **The Holy One of Israel!**

## DOCTRINE OF GRACE

**King David, A Symphony of God’s Grace**

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*(Continued from volume 57)*

**“Study to present yourself approved to God as a workman who does not need to be ashamed, handling accurately the word of truth”** (2 Timothy 2:15).

We resume our study of David’s life journey. It is fascinating to study the experiences of David’s life journey, the ugly, the bad and the good ones. Already we had examined his two spiritual failures, which highlights the fact of Scripture, **“Indeed, there is not a righteous man on earth who continually does good and who never sins”** (Ecclesiastes 7:20; cf. Psalm 130:3).

We will scrutinize the dark side of David’s spiritual journey, but first let’s examine his beautiful soul. Recall, we ended the last portion of our work with Saul entering a cave to relieve himself, unaware that David was using that very cave to hide from Saul.

Saul had no idea that he was alone in the cave with his number one enemy. Furthermore, David had about 600 of his men with him inside the cave, yet God hid David and his men from Saul. This is striking! Think of it: Saul was in the lion’s den so to say, and didn’t even know it. He was vulnerable for David and his men to do whatever they wished. You read it correctly. Saul’s 3,000 elite soldiers left him alone; thinking that no threat could be in such an obscure cave. But they were wrong. David and his warriors were there. They saw him, but Saul did not see them. In this context, read and meditate on the lyrics of Scripture afresh:

*“Unless the LORD builds the house, those who build it labor in vain. Unless the Lord watches over the city, the watchman stays awake in vain”* (Psalm 127:1 RSV).

In other words, true security is of the Lord. PERIOD! It does not negate our responsibility to be vigilant and prudent. It does not negate our duty to do what we are supposed to do, such as, make short and long-term plans, guard our city, labor, and the like. We are to do our part and then leave the outcome to the One who controls history. *“The mind of a man plans his way, but the LORD directs his steps”* (Proverbs 16:9; cf. v. 33; Psalm 37:24). Imagine: Saul thought he was safe because his guards kept watch of the cave. Similarly, his men thought they had covered every nook and corner. We guard ourselves; God chuckles. *“Unless the Lord watches over” a man, “the watchman stays awake in vain.”* On the surface, this looks like a golden opportunity for David to get even with Saul. Having said this, let’s tap into David’s mindset and see why

the omniscient One gave him the title, *“a man after [God’s] own heart”* (1 Samuel 13:14). But before then, let’s examine our own spiritual lives.

**PRACTICAL CHRISTIANITY**

Words are cheap; actions are costly. In Christianity today, many believers are quick to grasp scriptural truths, some even boast of their super-duper knowledge of God’s Word. But sadly, when it comes to application of these biblical truths, many of us fall short. Let me put it this way: If every believer in Christ is shining as *“the light of the world”*, if every believer is allowing the reservoir

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of God’s Word in his soul to glow, by way of application, light would radiate on every corner of the planet earth (Matthew 5:14-16). That is the message our Lord sought to convey to His disciples and to us today, for that matter. We are *“the light of the world”*. Let’s drive this point home. How do we apply the abundance of God’s Word we have in our souls? Consider the following two passages for examples:

**Romans 12:19-21:** *“Beloved, never avenge yourselves, but leave room for the wrath of God; for it is written, ‘Vengeance is mine, I will repay, says the Lord.’ No, ‘if your enemies are hungry, feed them; if they are thirsty, give them something to drink; for by doing this you will heap burning coals on their heads.’ Do not be overcome by evil, but overcome evil with good.”*

**Matthew 5:44:** *“But I say to you, love your enemies and pray for those who persecute you.”*

Question: Do we **love** and **truly** pray for all people, including those who hate us? Another question: If there is an opportunity to get even with our enemy, would we seize the moment and square up with the person? Or would we heed God -- the One and the only Expert in handling unfair cases -- and His mandate: **“Never take your own revenge, beloved but leave room for the wrath of God, for it is written, ‘VENGEANCE IS MINE, I WILL REPAY’ says the Lord”** (Romans 12:19). The answers to these

simple questions are a benchmark to where we stand spiritually. But, to the extent that we fail the test, we need to quickly adjust our spiritual lives -- before God's justice does that for us, *“for the Lord disciplines those whom he loves, and chastises every child whom he accepts”* (Hebrews 12:6). We are now ready to see how David applied God's Word in his soul to the glory of God.

### DAVID DOES NOT GET EVEN WITH SAUL

As we said, talk is cheap; action is costly. The elect angels cheer *“well done”* any time we allow God's Word in our souls to permeate our thoughts and actions. Previously, we painfully dissected David's two spiritual failures: his untruthfulness to Ahimelech, the priest and his deception before king Achish. Our conclusion: No one is immune to spiritual failure, even the most diligent. Years later David's son, Solomon, reminded us, *“Indeed, there is not a righteous man on earth who continually does good and who never sins”* (Ecclesiastes 7:20; cf. Psalm 130:3). Of course, it is not an excuse for spiritual failure. Keep in mind, every spiritual failure carries a price tag. David was a man who constantly strived to please his God so much that it broke his heart whenever he fell short of his goal. Though he occasionally failed, as we all do, he knew the secret of spiritual success: Bounce back and do not allow failure to conquer us. In other words, recovery after failure is the trademark of a winner. We know that a winner never gives up and a quitter never wins anything. Having said this, it is imperative that we carefully examine David's temptation.

### DAVID'S TEMPTATION

*“The men of David said to him, ‘Behold, this is the day of which the LORD said to you, Behold; I am about to give your enemy into your hand, and you shall do to him as it seems good to you.’”* (1 Samuel 24:4a).

Sounds like a word of prophesy, doesn't it? Read it again: ***“Behold, this is the day of which the LORD said to you, ‘Behold; I am about to give your enemy [Saul] into your hand, and***

***you shall do to him as it seems good to you.”***  
The question is this, when did God make the above promise to David? Way back in our study we touched on the issue of discernment. We hear it all the time, *“not all that glitters is gold”*. How true. Just because a piece of metal sparkles does not necessarily mean it is a piece of gold. Often we hear quotations that sound good, such as, *“God help those who help themselves.”* It sounds good; but it is not biblical. God helps the helpless!

*“He gives strength to the weary...to him who lacks might He increases power”; “If the Lord had not been my help, my soul would soon have dwelt in the land of silence”* (Isaiah 40:30; Psalm 94:17).

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David had to read between the lines and discernment was essential. He knew Scripture very well and he was not going to be fooled.

We should not be fooled either. He was familiar with the writing of Moses, *“Vengeance is Mine and retribution”* (Deuteronomy 32:35; cf. Romans 12:19). He knew that God cannot mandate us to leave vengeance to Him and at the same time instruct us to take vengeance when we can. That is not God's character. He does not give conflicting mandates. This is where accurately handling the Word of truth is critical!

### DAVID GRACES SAUL OUT

Because of what David knew, for example, Deuteronomy 32:35, *“vengeance is Mine”* and more, he abandoned outright the temptation to kill Saul. He knew that an injury to God's anointed is an injury aimed at God Himself, *“Do not touch my anointed ones; do my prophets no harm”* (Psalm 105:15). It is a timeless biblical principle. David knew it. Remember, knowing is one thing, doing is another thing altogether. Application of Scripture is all about knowing what it says and responding accordingly. On the other hand, David was not afraid to fire back at his men with sound reasoning. Listen to what he said: ***“He said to his men, ‘Far be it from me because of the LORD that I should do this thing to my lord, the LORD'S anointed, to stretch out my hand against him, since he is the LORD'S anointed.’ David persuaded his men with these***

*words and did not allow them to rise up against Saul” (1 Samuel 24:6-7a).* My beloved, read David’s words again but this time viewing them through a new lens. Reflect: Not once, not twice, but three times he referenced the name “LORD” in a single verse (24:6). That speaks volumes about David.

Talk about being preoccupied with the Lord. No doubt, he was totally preoccupied with the Lord. When a believer is truly preoccupied with the Lord, Who and What the Lord is dominates a believer’s thought system. Conversely, a believer always has a second thought before engaging in any activity that will shame the name of his Lord. Joseph and Daniel were other heroes of the Bible who exemplified this phenomenal principle.

We know Joseph’s story (Genesis 39:1-10). God promoted him and with the promotion came temptation. Potiphar’s wife boldly approached him with sexual sin. Joseph’s reaction: *“How then could I do this great evil **against God?**”* Notice, he did not say the great evil was against Potiphar nor Potiphar’s wife, but against God. (Genesis 39:7-9).

Daniel had a similar mindset: *“Daniel made up his mind that he would not defile himself”* (Daniel 1:8). Daniel’s friends held strong with him, *“...be it known to you, O king, that we will not serve your gods or worship the golden image which you have made”* (3:18). Those were Old Testament spiritual giants!

In the New Testament, the apostle Paul fired point blank, ***“for it will be better for me to die than have any man make my boast [in Christ] an empty one”*** (1 Corinthians 9:15; cf. v. 12). We are far from being spiritual giants like these men.

Nevertheless, you and I have the obligation to pause and honestly ask ourselves this question: As Christians are we imitating our Savior, Jesus Christ (Ephesians 5:1)? The answer to this question is a matter between us and the Lord.

Not only did David himself not kill Saul, he also persuaded his men to not do so. My friend, that is the epitome of grace. That is the picture of his soul, vividly painted by the Holy Spirit for us to behold. What a picture. David could have easily rationalized, *“Well, if I keep silent and one of my men kills him, I would not be responsible for his death.”* He abandoned such thoughts in a hurry! Consider that

David had been miserable because of Saul; he had been running from city to city, wilderness to wilderness, cave to cave, often without sleep. He knew that Saul had been *“lying in wait for his life”* (1 Samuel 24:11). David knew that Saul had attempted to kill him several times, yet when David had his enemy within striking distance he refused the temptation to kill Saul. That is sobering. No doubt two things hindered David from taking Saul’s life: **God’s Word** in his soul, and **his love for God**.

### ***DAVID PLAYS A CHILDISH PRANK***

*“Then David arose and cut off the edge of Saul’s robe secretly. It came about afterward that David’s conscience bothered him because he had cut off the edge of Saul’s robe”* (4b-5). David did a childish thing. He wanted to show Saul how close he came to death. Of course, he realized it too; that’s why his *“conscience bothered him.”* By and large, his conscience bothered him not because he ruined a robe, but because he ruined a robe of the Lord’s anointed one. We do not need to prove anything to anybody. Occasionally, people have said untrue things about me. What did I do? Spend my energy and prove to the world that such and such accusation is false? No. I simply leave it in His hands, the only and the best place to leave unfair accusations or mistreatments. How sweet it is to leave every matter with Him.

### ***DAVID APPEALS TO SAUL’S CONSCIENCE***

*“And Saul arose, left the cave, and went on his way”* (v. 7). Obviously, Saul was unaware of the entire saga that had unfolded in the cave. He was unaware that David had secretly cut his (Saul’s) robe. He left the cave as if nothing had happened.

*“Now afterward David rose and went out of the cave and called after Saul saying, ‘My lord the king!’ And when Saul looked behind him, David bowed with his head to the ground and prostrated himself”* (v. 8).

Wait a minute; are we missing something? See who prostrated himself. David! There is something about him that we cannot completely understand. We are talking about a man whose life had been made a nightmare by Saul, and yet he never showed any animosity toward the one who had been the pain in

his neck. He had no ill-feeling, no hatred toward Saul, his lord, not one iota. He saw his enemy and gave him full royal honor *“My lord the king... David bowed with his head to the ground and prostrated himself!”* This is amazing.

Let’s bring this home. If you were David, what would you have called Saul? Or better, do you have an obnoxious boss? What do you call him in his absence? We are hitting at the core of Christianity. My beloved, hear me, Christianity is more than trusting in Christ alone for eternal life; it’s more than carrying our Bibles to church every Sunday. It encompasses all these and more. Christianity is all about allowing the life of Christ to permeate our thoughts and actions. That is how the name Christian was first used in Scripture (Acts 11:26). Remember, it is a nickname coined by the pagans as a mockery to those who mimicked the actions of Christ. In that usage, are you an authentic Christian? Am I? My question is not about whether we are truly saved, rather, it is a question of Christian living.

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See what David did. As an act of respect, he called Saul *“My lord, the king.”* That is not all; he bowed before him, to demonstrate a humble heart. He went on to assure Saul that he had never had any intention of harming him (1 Samuel 24:8). As proof, David showed him an edge of his robe that he had cut while he was relieving himself in a cave (vv. 10-11). David rested his case, *“May the LORD judge between you and me, and may the LORD avenge me on you”* (v. 12).

You read it correctly. David left his case in God’s hand, citing a biblical principle, *“As the proverb of the ancients says, ‘Out of the wicked comes forth wickedness’”* (v.13), or in simplified versions: *“Do not be deceived, God is not mocked; for whatever a man sows, this he will [certainly] reap”* (Galatians 6:7); *“As I have seen, those who plow iniquity and sow trouble reap the same”* (Job 4:8 RSV); *“He who sows iniquity will reap vanity”* (Proverbs 22:8). *“The Lord therefore be judge and decide between you and me; and may He see and plead my cause and deliver me from your hand”* (1 Samuel 24:15). David signed off with these sobering words of pledge: *“But my hand shall not be against you”* (v.13)

### **DAVID’S HUMBLE HEART GLOWS MORE BRIGHTLY**

*“After whom has the king of Israel come out? Whom are you pursuing? A dead dog, a single flea?”* (v. 14). My beloved, pause and consider who is calling himself a dead dog and a single flea. It is David, whom the entire nation of Israel regarded as a military giant. *“Saul has slain his thousands, and David his ten thousands”* (18:7). We are talking about a man who so far had never lost a battle. Despite all these accolades, he still considered himself as a flea and a dead dog. Get the picture of humility? Words of humility covered his speech and the lyrics of his songs, *“Who am I, O Lord GOD, and what is my house, that Thou hast brought me this far”* (2 Samuel 7:18); *“What is man, that Thou dost take thought of him? And the son of man that Thou dost care for him?”* (Psalm 8:4). We are far from this man. But we should not be. The apostle Paul

was within range. Having inventoried his lifetime achievements, Paul signed off with these words of humility, *“But by the grace of God I am what I am”* (1 Corinthians 15:10).

### **SAUL’S RESPONSE TO DAVID’S GESTURE**

*“Then Saul lifted up his voice and wept. And he said to David, ‘You are more righteous than I; for you have dealt righteously with me, while I have dealt wickedly with you’* (1 Samuel 24:16-17). He asked, *“If a man finds his enemy, will he let him go away safely?”* (v.19). The answer is obvious, no. Saul said, *“You are more righteous than I.”* But was Saul righteous? Nonetheless, David’s grace gestures hit him hard, like a bullet right between his eyes, which elicited tears of remorse for his callous behavior. It finally dawned on Saul that David will be king, *“Behold I know that you shall surely be king and the kingdom of Israel shall be established in your hand”* (v. 20). He finally realized that not only was David “more righteous than” him, as he puts it, but more than that, that David had developed superior capacity for leadership. He came to terms that David was the man of the hour.

What a time for celebration. Saul finally got it. It means Saul can now return to his palace and wait for

regime change, and David can go about his daily life, right? Not so fast. Saul has reached the point of no return. He is racing toward the cliff at the speed of lightening. We can't wait to look at his next course of action and where that led him. 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 the next Vol. 59.)**

## MISSIONARY REPORTS

### BURUNDI

*Pastor Philippe reports:*

We just want to thank God for all that He did for us and you for helping us to reach these people who live about 75 miles from here. We met pastors from the Charismatic Episcopal Church, even their Archbishop attended too. I started by teaching about Salvation by grace through faith in Christ and developing the theme all three days. We bought notebooks and pens so that they can take notes.

We took copies of *Riding The Death Train* tracts, which we just reprinted in Kirundi, and gave them out. All asked for more and more and more and more! God is daily changing lives through this small book. Each one of them who got a copy said: "God bless this man who wrote this book. It is a big instrument to help people get saved, and it is a spiritual weapon."

After the conference we heard testimonies from different bishops, pastors, elders and even the Archbishop.

The secretary of the Archbishop said, "Beloved, I was praying for a long time that God may have mercy on us to get somebody who can teach and train our pastors. So today God answered my prayers. Not only have you trained our pastors, but for me, my life

is new, I now understand salvation." The Archbishop said, "When I was entering this hall, I heard and saw a short man speaking. I said to myself. 'Is this really the man they told me about? May he teach me what?' But let me tell you all, this is not a short man but a big man of God. He said. Pastor Philippe, please come again even very soon. I promise I will gather all the pastors under my diocese -- there are about 450 - - so you come and teach us. Personally I discovered the truth -- I was confused. We thank God for sending you to our place. Please, come again soon, and if possible bring your missionaries to teach us more. Tell them we love and invite them."

### PAKISTAN

*Pastor Khalid Naz reports:*

In August, we had a very big crusade in the flood affected areas of Pakistan. More than 10,000 people attended that crusade and 4,000 were saved as new believers.

Later that month we had another crusade where 7,000 people attended and 2,000 people were saved as new believers. (We distributed only 1,000 copies *Riding The Death Train* in order to save them for the Pakistani Independence Day.)

On the 14th of August we celebrated Pakistani Independence Day with an outreach of 3,500 copies of RTDT distributed. After that, many came to Jesus, and they went to different pastors and churches and they asked for Bibles and wanted to know more about Jesus. One lady contacted our cable TV channel and said, "I want to become a Christian (Praise Lord). RTDT is a very powerful tool to shake nations. If we have 40,000 copies, we will use for outreach. We gave 500 RTDT copies to another mission team for outreach because they like this tract so much.

### KENYA REPORT

*Pastor Jonesmus Mutie reports:*

I cordially submit my appreciation to you for standing with us during the "Back to the Bible Pastors' Conference" held in Naivasha, Kenya. It was a great success. Pastor Maurice Mwale presented and explained the message of grace, and by the grace of God four pastors and seven brethren repented that they had not been preaching the message of grace. Kindly pray with us for the pastors since they have decided to adopt this truth, even after this decision

has caused them to be rejected in their previous fellowships. By God's grace we are taking care of the new believers. May the God of all grace bless you and keep you. Shalom!

One of the pastors has been able to begin a new Bible-based church and is in the process of erecting a church structure. Please pray for them as you can see how costly it can be for them to adhere to the truth.

### **U.K. REPORT**

*Rev. Tayo Arikawe Reports:*

In September, G.E.M. held a conference in historic Bristol, England. Bristol is home to Wesley, Whitefield and Müller who changed church history and brought the gospel to thousands. How we pray that God will spark revival in Bristol once again.

Pastor Tayo and Kensington Baptist Church hosted the G.E.M. conference. Rev Moses, and Pastor Bruce Bumgardner of Pine Valley Bible Church gave messages. Kensington Pastors Andy Paterson and Dr. Steve Wilmshurst also gave messages with the keynote address given by Dr. Tom Holland, professor at nearby Wales Evangelical Seminary of Theology. The conference focused on taking the gospel to all cultures. It brought together Christians of different church backgrounds who share the same passion to take the gospel to their city, to their country and to the world.

Pastors and church leaders came from all parts of the U.K. and often represented different cultures such as the Chinese Church or the Arabic Church. It was a wonderful time of learning and fellowship. We also met another ministry leader working inside China. We had wonderful discussions about how to reach the Chinese inside and outside their native land, and we hope to get *Riding the Death Train* translated into Chinese.

Here are a few testimonies from those who attended the conference:

"Thanks to G.E.M. for this conference. Sometimes we think we really understand grace but this conference has opened my eyes to a greater depth of grace teaching. We need this conference on a regular basis."

"Hi Tayo, I just want to let you know how encouraged and blessed I was through the

conference. I do hope we can work together for the furtherance of the gospel here in Bristol."

"I just want to say how wonderful the G.E.M. conference was over the weekend. In fact, I do not know any other ministry here in Bristol that has ever gathered the caliber of pastors that attended your conference. Surely this is a divine calling from God."

We are looking forward to the upcoming program in March 2012.

## UPCOMING TRIPS

### **2012 Mission Trips and Outreach**

*Rev. Moses Onwubiko*

#### **January**

Qatar, Bahrain, UAE

#### **April**

Sri Lanka, India, UK

#### **May**

Calvary Baptist Church, Irwin, PA  
Mexico, Nicaragua

#### **June**

G.E.M. Marriage Conference, Nashville, TN

#### **July**

Argentina, Brazil, Dominican Republic

#### **September**

Fiji, New Zealand, Indonesia

#### **December**

Nigeria

### **2012 Follow-ups**

*Other G.E.M. Team Members*

#### **February**

Bangladesh  
Tanzania

#### **April**

Kenya

#### **June**

Amsterdam, Oslo, Spain  
Grenada  
Kenya

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*Devote yourselves to prayer,  
keeping alert in it with an  
attitude of thanksgiving; praying  
at the same time  
for us as well, that God  
will open up to us a door  
for the Word, so that we may  
speak forth the mystery of Christ.  
(Colossians 4:2-3)*

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## WORDS OF WISDOM

*“Let us look forward to the time  
when we can take the flag of our country  
and nail it below the Cross,  
and there let it wave  
as it waved in the olden times,  
and let us gather around it  
and inscribe for our motto  
'Liberty and Union,  
one and inseparable, now and forever,'  
and exclaim,  
Christ first, our country next .”*

**Andrew Johnson, (1808-1875)  
President of the United States**



*“Jesus Christ is not a philosopher,  
for His proofs are miracles  
[for this] His disciples adored Him.”*

**Napoleon Bonaparte, (1769-1821, 1804-1815)  
Emperor of France**

**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 Rev. Moses C. Onwubiko,

Thank God for you for this wonderful work you are doing by God's grace. There is joy in me to see how you are a blessing to people in Uganda, Pakistan, and India, just to name a few. May He keep you on the onward move in Jesus' name.

I am very happy to have you as my spiritual father over there, and I hope one day you will make me to be part of this great work. I wish to request Christian literatures, sir, to give out to new converts who have just believed in Jesus some nine months ago. I request some which will be a help to me also. Waiting to read more books from you and to hear more, I remain your son in Him.

Cameroon, AFRICA

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Dear Grace Evangelistic Ministries:

I was recently released from nearly three years of incarceration at CCA - Nashville. While I was there I received several of your free books, which I read closely and shared with others. Your ministry has had a major positive impact on me learning how to truly walk in Christ daily.

I am answering God's call on my life to go into prison ministry full-time. I am enclosing a copy of my personal testimony for your review. While I was incarcerated I was unable to support your ministry financially. Even now I do not yet have a job. However, I am attaching a check in the amount of \$12.00 as a gift to your ministry as a token of my appreciation for all you are doing to provide resources to those who are incarcerated.

Thank you for helping me in my daily Christian walk. May God continue to rightly bless your ministry.

USA

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Dear G.E.M.,

Thank you for sending the new book on James. I am studying it now.

What wonderful revelations are brought to the surface of truth. Praying for your ministry.

USA

Sir,

I am an inmate, and I am currently serving my sentence here in Nashville, TN. On numerous occasions I have come in contact with publications from your ministry. I have thoroughly enjoyed and studied from these publications and request that your ministry would forward me all those available in that I may share God's grace and provisions to others.

I am a married man/inmate and visit with my wife on a weekly basis. I would enjoy sharing your publications with her and others that we may continue our spiritual growth together. Thank you for those publications that you forward to me.

Prison,  
Nashville, USA

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Dear G.E.M.,

My pastor recently placed five of Moses' books on James on our free literature table. I, fortunately, was given one of the books by another member. I have just been basking in the first two chapters trying to glean everything I can before proceeding. I would like to have information on how I might receive more of these books with the intent to give them to some of my friends who did not see them before they were gone.

My son has read most, if not all, of Rev. Moses' books. He also shares your newsletter with me, which is very edifying, and our church members pray for G.E.M. on a regular basis. The e-mails regarding Moses' worldwide campaigns are distributed to our church's prayer warriors. We are so thankful for the way in which G.E.M. is finding so many pockets of positive volition to the teachings of God's Word, and it is a delight to pray for all who are associated with your service for our Lord.

Texas, USA

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Dear Pastor,

I wrote to give appreciation for your book: *Joseph, A Pillar of Grace*. It was great indeed. May the Almighty God bless and equip you the more.

Could you please send me more copies for distribution? I have friends who need to read, see, and understand the rich message. By the grace of God, this wonderful book, beautifully prepared and packaged needs to be shared. Thanks for your cooperation as I look forward to receiving a favorable response from you.

Nigeria, AFRICA

## PLEASE JOIN US IN PRAYER

### 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 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](http://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**

Prepare periodic newsletters, which include Bible exposition, and missionary reports.

- a. Convert the missionary teachings of Rev. Moses C. Onwubiko into books.
- b. 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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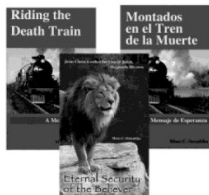
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## PUBLICATIONS AVAILABLE

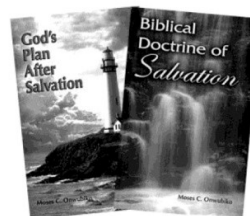
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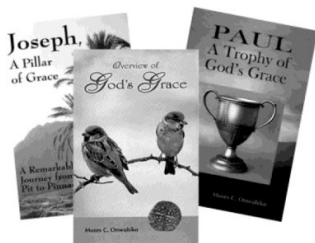
### POCKET SIZED PUBLICATIONS!

*Riding The Death Train* is a clear presentation of the Gospel message. (Also available in Spanish. Fifteen other translations available online only.)

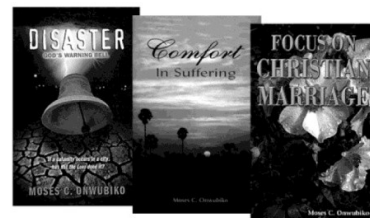
*Eternal Security of the Believer* provides a concise study on this important topic.



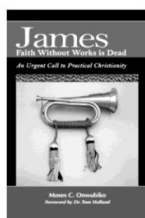
*God's Plan After Salvation* offers instructions for maturing in the faith. *Biblical Doctrine of Salvation* is an in-depth theological study of this doctrine.



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*.



Divorce, Suffering and Disaster are 3 of the greatest issues of our time. Biblical viewpoint and divine solutions for them are examined in our books: *Comfort in Suffering*, *Focus on Christian Marriage*, and *Disaster: God's Warning Bell*.



The Epistle of *James* has for centuries been the subject of theological debate. It will equip you to press on toward the goal, to finish the race and win the prize for which God has called you.



*The Spiritual Gift of Tongues*, with its companion book *Signs & Wonders*, provide a clear refutation to the myths of tongues and miracles as signs of spirituality.