

# PARTNERS IN GRACE

## JULY 2009

## GES Donates Books to Dallas Theological Seminary

**June 18**

It is our plan at this point to donate one copy of one-volume NT commentary to the libraries of every accredited Bible college and seminary in the U.S. and Canada. While that would be costly (there are around 200 such schools), the potential impact in the lives of students is enormous. The fact that this project is underwritten by supporters makes this possible.

We are also thinking of donating to all these libraries a copy or two of books by Zane Hodges that we publish or re-publish if and when we obtain the copyrights from Kerugma.

That idea led us to realize that we could start that process now.

Recently Frank Carmical donated some of Dr. Art Farstad's books to GES. He had a few boxes of Art's great book, *In the Great Tradition*, on the New King James Version of the Bible.

We checked and found out that the DTS library doesn't have this book by Art. Since he was a graduate of and former professor at DTS, we decided to donate two in his memory to the DTS library.



## Prayer Requests

The results on Kyle's surgery on June 9th are still mainly unknown. While his pain has now lessened, he still has lots of pain and his leg still doesn't work right. The doctor said that it would take up to 3 to 6 months before we know how much the surgery helps. Please pray that as a result of the surgery Kyle is able to glorify God more in his ministry at GES and in his family.

Please also pray that: the one-volume NT commentary is completely typeset by the end of July, that we find different office space in our building that would meet our needs by the end of July, that donations and sales are strong during the normally slow summer months, that the Omaha regional July 24-25 is very beneficial to the believers and churches there, and that the contract between GES and Kerugma regarding Zane's copyrights would be finalized in July.



**VSBG Congregation**

## Victor Street Bible Chapel

**June 14**

**Finish the Race with Joy**

**(Acts 19:21–20:38)**

Paul told the Ephesian elders, as he was on his way to Jerusalem and imprisonment, that he didn't cling to his life but that his goal was to finish his race with joy (Acts 20:24). We looked at Paul's ministry in Troas and then again at Miletus (to the Ephesian elders). Our aim as well should be to finish the race God has given us with joy. We considered Acts 19:21–20:38 and saw that even as he faced imprisonment and possible death Paul was concerned about strengthening the Gentile churches.



**July 24-25**

Omaha Regional Conference at Believer's Bible Church-

**June 26**

Community Bible Church, Omaha

# Meeting with Al and Yami Valdes

June 14

Al has written our commentaries on Luke and Acts. He and his wife were flying through Dallas and Sharon and I were able to spend several hours with them on Sunday afternoon. It was a great visit. Al has done more thinking on Luke-Acts than anyone I know. His commentaries are truly outstanding. We are considering publishing the longer version of his commentaries as stand-alone books after the one-volume comes out. We had to cut away three-fourths of what he wrote in order to get the commentaries down to size.



**Bob & Sharon with Al & Yami and Luis & Felis**

# Mini-Flooding of GES Offices

June 10th

We came to work on Thursday to find puddles of water in the hallway and puddles throughout our office. Fortunately none of our computers were damaged and no books were destroyed.

Our floor has had flooding several times before, but this is the first time the water invaded our office. The office smells of mildew. We've decided to move within the building ASAP. We are discussing this matter with the owner and hope to move in July.

# Notes and Letters

Thank you for your ministry...I am a friend of GES.  
—MC, email

AWESOME new website look!!!!  
—DB, email

Congratulations, Bob on your inclusion into Libronix [along with Zane's commentaries on 1-3 John and James]. I just downloaded them my into my program.  
—BF, email

*Editor's note: About a year ago we submitted my three books and Zane's commentaries to Libronix. Initially we thought they would be released last August or September. Well, it wasn't until June of this year, but now they have been sent to people. We still don't know how many were purchased, but hopefully lots of people will use these resources.*

God bless you all and thank you for defending the true, Biblical Gospel of grace, the promise of eternal life by faith alone in Jesus Christ alone!  
— EC, letter

As far as I can remember I always had strong 5 point Calvinist tendencies. Those tendencies were finalized when my pastor gave me a MacArthur study bible. I was always more or less confused about my salvation but when I studied MacArthur's commentaries I was totally confused. By God's grace I saw that he had a nemesis, Zane Hodges. I gave him a fair hearing and GES converted me to Free Grace Theology!  
—SF, letter

Hey just wanted to take a moment and say thanks for the stuff... As we keep you in our thoughts and prayers, please keep us in yours, that our ministries might touch lives and spread the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ.  
—Department of Corrections Chaplain

## May Financial Report

May Budget	\$27,740	YTD* Budget	\$332,880
May Revenue	\$21,980 <-\$5,760>	YTD* Revenue	\$267,239 <-\$65,641>

\* Our fiscal year ends on June 30th.

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