

Partners in Grace

November 2009



- Nov 1** Shreveport Bible Church, Shreveport LA
- Nov 8** Frisco Bible Church, Frisco, TX
- Nov 15** Victor Street Bible Chapel, Dallas, TX
- Nov 21-22** First Baptist Church, LaGrange, GA



The Lord's Supper at VSBC

**Victor Street Bible Chapel
Dallas, TX
October 4, 2009**

Ta da. This was my final sermon on Acts, covering Acts 28:17-31. My title was "Bold and Unhindered." That was Paul's preaching, even while he was under house arrest in Rome. This has been a long and very fulfilling series. I think I'll move to an OT book next. But which one?



The kids of Victor Street



Prayer Requests

On the praise front, Kyle's back is doing great. It appears the surgery was a complete success. And I haven't had a recurrence of kidney stones in over a year. Please pray for the staff and their families (Kyle, Holly, Mark, and Bob), for our support (revenue is still well below budget through October), for the completion, printing, and impact of the commentary, for the publication of Zane's books starting in 2010, and for us to catch up in the journal publication schedule.

Kingdom Agenda: The Urban Alternative's Annual Conference



Kingdom Agenda Conference Attendees

**Hyatt Hotel, DFW Airport, TX
September 30 & October 1**

I presented three workshops this year: the Gospel of John, 1-3 John, and the Gospel and Eternal Rewards. All three were well attended, with about 25 to 30 enthusiastic people.

I mentioned Zane's name quite a few times in my sessions since he has long been a popular teacher at the conference and since he would typically have done the workshops on the Gospel of John and 1-3 John.

The Passing and Funeral of Camille Dallas Rodgers, Sharon's Mom October 12-18



Sharon's Mom had been in failing health with Alzheimer's. In January she fell and broke her leg and had been immobile since then. She passed in her sleep on Monday morning, October 12th. We had a super funeral in Jonesboro, Arkansas on Friday. I spoke briefly on John 11:25-27. One of Sharon's cousins heard me well. On Saturday she asked me to explain why works were not required to go to heaven. I did and she indicated she got it. Hopefully others did as well.



This was a joyous time of visiting Sharon's many aunts, uncles, and cousins. Of course we miss Camille. But she is no longer suffering and is now with the Lord.

Commentary Update

The Grace New Testament Commentary, now around 1,100 pages, seems to be The Never Ending Story. October was spent in proofing and loading in changes. Authors found more mistakes than we imagined. So did Dr. Roy Zuck who has been helping with editing and proofing. And

Al Valdes flew in from Miami to help. The result is lots of changes to load in.

We've decided to change the copyright to 2010. We are now shooting for a February release date. We hope to have it to the printer by the end



Al and Bob, hard at work

of the year.

Thank you for your support of this amazing project.

Upland Bible Church Las Vegas, NV October 11

Pastor Rich Olsen asked me to speak on replacement theology, which is the erroneous view that the Church replaces Israel in God's program. I was happy to do so, though I'd never spoken on this before.

I spoke at both the 10:00 and 11:00 services. I really enjoyed the interaction with the people of UBC. And I was blessed by the topic. After church I went out to a nice lunch with Rich and his wife Deb and one of the members of the church, a retired Colonel.



Ladies of UBC



Upland Bible Church Congregation

Huntsman World Senior Games

**St. George, UT
Oct 10, 12, 13**

These are athletic competitions for people 50 and over. I competed in three (race walk) races, the 3,000 (1.8 miles), the 1,500 (1 mile), and the 5,000 (3.1 miles). I hadn't competed in race walking in 11 years, so it was a challenge.



I ended up getting three bronze medals. Of course, basically all I needed to do was finish to get a medal since there were only 3 in my age group (M 55-59) in the 3K and in the other two races there were only four, and the fourth guy had never race walked before! But still, I finished.



I was also able to watch 74-year old GES partner Dean Thompson (holding ball at right) play in the basketball tourney for men his age. He scored about 30 points, well over half his team's points. Grace people are indeed productive. Dean and Pat were the ones who told me about these games and urged me to come. It ended up being a very enjoyable mini-vacation.



My back froze up for over a week after I got home. I guess I overdid it. But I'm already planning on going again next year. Why don't all of you 50 or over join me and Dean and Pat?

We Decided to Keep Our Office And Not to Move

Moving is costly and time consuming. In the long run, it proved more attractive to stay. Our address remains 100 W. Oak St. Suite G, Denton, TX 76201.

They have fixed the flooding problem, caused by a clogged drain pipe. While we still have no windows, we are getting used to it.

October Financial Report

October Budget	\$26,432	YTD* Budget	\$105,727
October Revenue	\$13,660 <-\$12,771>	YTD* Revenue	\$69,401 <-\$36,325>

* Our fiscal year ends on June 30th.

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