



Partners in GRACE



North Carolina Regional



Ken, Kathryn, Olivia, Rod, Bernie

Free Grace Bible Church Flower September 11 & 12



Studying with saints from Sachse

Pastor John Brumett came down with a cold and stuffy head and cough—but not Covid. He called and asked if I could speak for him. Because of Covid, he had to move his church from its old location to meeting in homes.

He asked me to critique perseverance theology as found in Wayne Grudem's book, *Free Grace Theology: 5 Ways It Diminishes the Gospel*. I worked up a message

with the broader title of "Why Soft Lordship Salvation Misses the Grace of God."

I gave the same message on Saturday and Sunday. Both were well received. The people were very receptive for the teaching and they really encouraged me.

Ken and Kathryn's Ministry in September

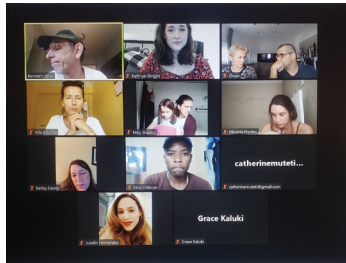
After coming back from Kenya at the beginning of September, we (Ken and Kathryn) resumed our Zoom classes. We have started a new series on Tuesday mornings that will cover Revelation and End times. We have a few new members, and it looks like it will be a good study. We are also continuing our class on the Gospel of John on Saturday afternoons and a Thursday study on Bob's book *The Ten Most Misunderstood Words*. We are excited to see how these studies grow this fall.

We also had a follow-up meeting with *Acres of Mercy*



Jimmy and Catherine from Acres of Mercy

in Kenya to discuss our future plans. The couple who run this ministry, Jimmy and Catherine, are solid Free Grace supporters and have a desire to reach the churches in their area with Free Grace. After speaking with them we are planning on expanding our ministry there by having community Bible studies and leadership conferences. This would include developing long-term courses that build upon our previous conferences. The goal would be to not just reach the pastors, but also the leadership, Sunday school teachers, and even laymen. We are excited to see where the Lord takes this ministry. Prayers would be appreciated.



We are also heading to Pennsylvania the last week of September for the *Christian Chiropractors Association* convention. Ken will be speaking three times on the book of Hebrews.

Tours de Fleurs Half Marathon White Rock Lake, Dallas September 18

Bethany and Bob both competed in this half marathon (13.1 miles) in the heat of mid-September in North Texas. It was 71 degrees at the 7AM start and 82 degrees by the time we finished. It was a challenging race. We both finished in under 3 hours.



Bob "the Jet" Wilkin



Objects in mirror are larger than they appear.

Chapel Hill North Carolina Regional September 24-25

Ken, Kathryn, and Bob went to this regional to speak. Pastor Rod Chaney also spoke and graciously hosted the event. About fifty people from North Carolina, South Carolina, Virginia, West Virginia, and even one couple from Ohio, came. Our theme was 1 Thessalonians. We walked through the entire book. Videos of the conference can be seen at the Sunrise Church website (<https://www.isunrise.org/ges-rc>). We hope to have the messages on our YouTube channel within a few weeks.



Bob towering over Matt and Emily

Progress on Old Testament Commentary

Lucas Kitchen has already completed the first draft of commentaries on Esther (10 chapters) and Ruth (4 chapters). Ken Yates has completed sixteen chapters for Deuteronomy. David Renfro and Bob Wilkin have each completed several chapters on Exodus and Genesis, respectively.

This is remarkable progress in just over a month and bodes well for completing the commentary on schedule.

