



So glad to meet these Florida grace believers. Hi Ken!

GES Orlando Regional Conference June 8-9

We met at the church which houses an historic Free Grace Bible College, Florida Bible College. My thanks to the President, Dr. Stan Ponz, the Board of FBC, and the Board of Circle Community Church, for allowing us to use their wonderful facilities. (Shawn kept calling it *Circle Square Community Church*. I think he watched too many game shows when he was younger.)

The turnout was very good (61 in most sessions) and very enthusiastic. There was great fellowship during breaks and meals.

Our theme was, *Is Calvinism Biblical?* Our answer was no. However, we kept the messages positive, encouraging, and far from hostile. We discussed the twelve New Testament passages which I discuss in the book with the same name.

One of the recurring themes from all the speakers is that Calvinism is contrary to being sure you have everlasting life. Sadly most Calvinists go through life hoping that Christ died for them, hoping that they are elect, hoping that they have true faith, and hoping that they will persevere in faith and good works until death.

All of the speakers would like for Calvinists to gain certainty of everlasting life and for Free Grace people to avoid being confused by Calvinism.

Our speakers included Laurence Vance, Ken Yates, Ron Hoffman, Shawn Lazar, Keith Pesce, and Bob Wilkin.

The audio from the conference should be on our website by the time you receive this.



Vernon and Seaandra Richardson with Bob



Bayside Community Church

Circle Community Church Orlando, FL June 10

On Sunday Bob stayed over and spoke in Sunday School on Revelation 21-22, "Whatever Happened to the New Earth?" That message led to an excellent Q & A time. Then in the worship service, he spoke on "A Biblical Evaluation of Lordship Salvation."

My thanks to interim Pastor Stan Ponz and to the entire elder board of that church.

Bayside Community Church Tampa, FL June 17

Two weekends in a row in the same part of Florida. Nice. On Father's Day, I spoke on "Desire the Pure Milk of the Word" from 1 Peter 2:1-3 and then in the second hour my title was, "Fatherhood Is Greatly Honored in the Bible." You can listen to or even watch both messages at the Bayside Community Church website.

Victor Street Bible Chapel Dallas, TX June 24

In the Bible-teaching hour I spoke on Romans

7 with the title, "Legalism Does Not Work." The message went well. You can listen to it at the GES website under audio.

In the Lord's Supper meeting I spoke on Proverbs 6 and the call to avoid foolish actions.



Wednesday morning Bible Study at Gateway

Gateway Bible Study June 27

Shawn taught a Wednesday morning Bible study on Eph 5:22—6:9 at Gateway Baptist Church in Denton.

New Book Started: 100 Faith-Alone Bible Verses

I (Bob) wrote a blog a few weeks ago that people liked. Lots of shares with other people. In it, I listed over one hundred verses that teach that the sole requirement of everlasting life is faith in Christ. I call these "faithalone verses."

I've now started a new book on that theme. I am shooting to have one hundred or more short devotionals on these faith-alone verses. Each devotional would be one to two pages.

More New Books

On top of Bob's new book, we're working hard to get several other new books out.

These include: *Hebrews* by Ken Yates; *Revelation* by Zane Hodges; *Notes on Hebrews* by Zane Hodges; *Hell* by Shawn Lazar.

We are also at work on reprinting *The Grace New Testament Commentary (Second Edition)*.

Financial Report

YTD Budget **\$429,005**

YTD Income \$478,306 (+\$49,301)*

*These numbers are approximate. This has been a good year. Thank you for your giving. Look for updates on new ministries.

