Monday, March 3<sup>rd</sup>, A.D. 2025

Dear Counter-Cultural Champions of Truth,

"Him we preach, warning every man and teaching every man in all wisdom, that we may present every man perfect in Christ Jesus. To this end I also labor, striving according to His working which works in me mightily" (Col.1:28-29 NKJV).

Christ's supremacy as the missionally-engaged message of His Church and the ministry-driven powerhouse of His Church is at the forefront of GFM's mission of "Advancing the Cause of Christ to the Ends of the Earth...Beginning Right at Home." In other words, He is the message emblazoned on our banner and He is the power that energizes our lives. Central to this mission is our passion to serve as a catalyst to:

- Magnifying God's Glory & Grace... Through Revitalized Church & Family Life
- Strengthening Church & Family as Co-Champions... of the Next Generation
- Mobilizing Church & Family to Engage Culture... with the Biblical Worldview & Gospel of Grace

With this pulse at the heart of GFM, it is not surprising that **John L. Cooper's** bold declaration in "Wimpy, Weak and Woke: How Truth Can Save America from Utopian Destruction" was used of God's Spirit to reignite a fire in my bones:

"The Church is called to be a prophetic voice to the culture, to expose lies, to preach the truth, and to call the world to repentance. But instead, much of the church has embraced the lies, attacked those who preach the truth, and deemed 'repentance' a negative and psychologically harmful term. We have become (1) weak: theologically and philosophically. We ought to recognize that these utopias are false and antithetical to the gospel. We have become (2) wimpy, by constantly apologizing for God's character and His Word and by trying to make peace with the world's philosophies. And we have become (3) woke, by replacing biblical justice with critical social justice that demands absolute justice in the present, meted by imperfect people with limited knowledge in a world that the Bible tells us will remain imperfect until Christ returns."

"There is a revolution happening in America that seeks to overthrow the foundations of our society. It is presented as a war against America, but, in reality, it's a war against Christianity. Progressives believe that the Christian God and the Bible are to blame for all of society's ills. To them, Jesus isn't the solution; He is the problem. In their revolution, Man will be the one and only God. Man will be the creator, the sustainer, and the author of his destiny. The culture is inciting this revolution—and woke churches are (perhaps unknowingly) joining in as comrades."

This book was given to me as a gift from a dear friend at **Grace Point Church** here in Indianapolis. In light of that, please keep our home church in prayer because our founding pastor, **Jim Devney**, was suddenly taken home last month due to complications after a heart procedure. **Pastor Jim's passing from this life into eternity has stirred my heart to be more deliberate at challenging the next generation of men (young & old) to surrender to God's call toward ministry training. There is a pressing urgency to beckon to the hearts of God's people, especially men, to champion the matchless worth of Christ just as this faithful servant of the Most High did just beyond his 80<sup>th</sup> birthday.** 

Along with attending Pastor Jim's "Celebration of Life" service last month, my family and I ministered at Grace Gospel Church in Linton, IN before heading to central Pennsylvania to serve at Altoona Bible Church and Grace Family Bible Church in nearby Duncansville. Video clips of those sermons etc. are already uploaded to GFM's YouTube channel with more to come from that ministry adventure trip.

Once again, after serving at GGC-Linton this month, we'll be heading out but this time to the Sunshine State: **FLORIDA!** We're grateful for the opportunity to serve at Avalon Grace Church in Naples and Grace Bible Fellowship Church in Inverness. Generous lodging accommodations due to the kindness of dear friends from another church along with your faithful support of GFM makes all this cost-effective and feasible.

On a more personal note, we're glad to share that our son, **Luke**, celebrated his 17<sup>th</sup> birthday last month and is doing very well with the NUCCA chiropractic care that he is receiving. As you may recall, he endured two seizures almost two months ago now and scans showed that there was a significant twist in his C2 vertebrae at the base of his neck and brain stem. We're grateful for your prayers on his behalf and especially the great faithfulness of our Heavenly Father. His merciful lovingkindness is fresh every day and customized, by His grace, for our every need. **Glory to His Holy Name!** 

We pray that your hearts are encouraged, filled with hope, and emboldened to stand with resolute biblical conviction for the all-glorious majesty of our great GOD and Savior who is the Way, the Truth, & the Life both now and forever. Thank you for upholding GFM in prayer and spreading the word as fellow "counter cultural champions of truth" who are "Advancing the Cause of Christ to the Ends of the Earth…Beginning Right at Home."

Preaching THE Champion of Counter-Cultural Truth,

Pastor Tim Board
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