Hello Friends of Grace Family Ministries!

"As you know how we exhorted, and comforted, and charged every one of you, as a father does his own children, that you would walk worthy of God who calls you into His own kingdom and glory."

1 Thessalonians 2:8, 11-12 NKJV

Impacting church and culture for GOD's glory through father-led family discipleship is at the heart of GFM's mission of "Advancing the Cause of Christ to the Ends of the Earth... Beginning Right at Home." Among the myriads of noteworthy events of historical significance, both honorable and perverse, that dominate the headlines this month, perhaps the most important for GOD's people is Father's Day. Every dad is leaving a legacy as "Father-Power" is automatic and value-free. In other words, we all inherit a legacy from the previous generation that is automatically passed down whether it's full of virtue or vice. Sobering stuff indeed.

Intentionally passing on the truth to the next generation is a matter of dead serious urgency that ought to be at the forefront of everything that the church and family are about. This is our passion because at the heart of GFM's mission is a prayer that GOD would be pleased to use initiative as a catalyst toward:

- 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

These dynamics of our mission are undergirded by **10 Biblical Convictions** that are central to advancing the cause of Christ to the ends of the earth. They're like fuel to a bonafide reformation of God's people standing with resolute biblical conviction,

#### **GFM's 10 Biblical Convictions**

- 1. Sovereign Majesty of GOD's Holiness
- 2. Sufficiency & Preaching of GOD's Word
- 3. Supremacy of GOD's Grace for Life & Ministry
- 4. Security of GOD's Saints in Christ
- 5. Solid Theology of GOD's Design for the Family
- 6. Singing of GOD's Praise & Inter-Generational Worship
- 7. Scheduled Priorities of GOD's Time Restructured
- 8. Salt & Light Moral Back-Pressure of GOD's Truth
- 9. Stalwart Faithfulness of GOD's Providence in History
- 10. Stewardship Responsibility of GOD's Mission

spiritual revival ignited by GOD's Spirit in the depths of our souls, and therefore a revitalization of church and family. All of this is demonstrated in practical reality through family discipleship to the praise of GOD's glory in Christ Jesus (*Deut.6:4-9; Josh.4:19-24; Ps.78:1-8; 145:3-4; Pr.24:3-4; Eph.5:33-6:4; Titus 2:1-8*).

### **Looking Back & Looking Ahead**

Last month, we provided pulpit supply at Grace Gospel Church in Linton, Indiana on Mother's Day and Memorial Day weekend. Both sermons are uploaded to GFM's YouTube channel: "This is What it Takes to Be a Godly Mama Bear" and "All That Matters: Fighting for Faith, Family, & Freedom." Please pray for the families of this precious assembly as one of their farms was destroyed in a recent tornado. My sermon at the Old Bethel Bible Church in southern Kentucky was called "Hitting the Mark as a Husband." This subject is my assignment at the upcoming Berean Bible Fellowship Conference and is an exposition of Ephesians 5:22-33. Check them out online, share them with your family/friends, and help us spread the word.

This month, we're gearing up for the kick-off of our summertime season chock full of ministry adventures. I've already served on one of the Oral Exam Committees for vetting young men pursuing pastoral ministry in tandem with my attendance at the Grace Gospel Fellowship Pastors Conference in Grand Rapids,

Michigan. **Pray for these young men and the impact of this event as God is on the move in so many ways.** We're looking forward to serving at churches in Michigan and Ohio along with substantial ministry opportunity at the BBF conference hosted by Community Bible Church in Tipp City, Ohio. More details on these ministry adventures are available on the Events page of GFM's website (www.GraceFamilyMinistries.org).

We're grateful for GOD's faithfulness to provide the means through His people that we need to make good on GFM's mission through our website, YouTube channel, social media, and especially with boots-on-the-ground at churches far and wide. Thank you for your friendship and kind generosity demonstrated by upholding this ministry initiative in prayer and financial support.

# **Update on Our Family**

Our oldest son, Timothy (19), finished his first full year at Berean Bible Institute online and has recently been ministering the Word and in song at churches like Grace Gospel Church in Ada, Ohio and Grace Bible Church in Beloit, Wisconsin. This summer, he'll be working on staff at Northern Grace Youth Camp as the Activities and Music Director. Luke (17) just graduated from Enlisted for His Glory Academy (the Board family homeschool), is working as a cabin counselor at NGYC this summer, and plans on studying full-time at BBI online this fall. While they're up north, the rest of us will be engaged in some significant ministry adventures across the country. Whereas we'll miss them being around, we're really excited to see what our great GOD is going to do in and through them. **Thank you for praying for the ministry of NGYC (& GFM)!** 

# **Update on Our Support**

In the postscript of last month's GFM update, I briefly shared about an additional need. Thank you to everyone who has been compelled to especially pray for us and share gifts over and above your monthly support. We never take your kindness for granted but continue to be astounded by our Heavenly Father's great faithfulness to provide the means we need to live day by day. Lori and I endeavor to be very principled when it comes to these things as the biblical precedent is for the man, husband, and father to provide for his family and not to depend on the state or big government to take care of us (1 Tim.5:8 cf. Gen.2:15; Acts 5:29; Rom.13:1-7). As missionaries to the American church and family, we are wholly dependent upon the generosity of GOD's people who sacrificially invest in GFM's mission. Suffice it to say that we're grateful for the friends of GFM who are partnering together with us to be faithfully "Advancing the Cause of Christ to the Ends of the Earth...Beginning Right at Home."

## A Final Word of Encouragement for Dads

This letter began with an emphasis on impacting church and culture for Christ through father-led family discipleship. GFM believes that a resurgence of biblical fatherhood that is intentional at shepherding the hearts of children and grandchildren to live in total dependency upon our perfect Father in Heaven and His Holy Word will change the world one heart (& home) at a time. **Every one of us will either live FROM our father's approval.** Thanks be to GOD, that He is not merely a reflection of our biological father but is much rather the all-glorious perfection of Fatherhood. Regardless of our family background and the legacy we received from our dads, may each of our hearts be filled with joy and gladness knowing the unconditional love and grace of our Heavenly Father as His chosen, adopted, and accepted children to the praise of His glory in Christ Jesus. **Happy Father's Day!** 

Sincerely from My Heart to Yours,

Pastor Tim Board
GFM Co-Founder & Director

**P.S.** Thank you again for praying and supporting the mission of *Grace Family Ministries*. Please feel free to contact us so that we know how we can pray for you and your family during this summertime season.