Friday, November 6th, A.D. 2026

Dear Concerned & Patriotic Christian Friends of *Grace Family Ministries:*

"Then he [Joshua] spoke to the children of Israel, saying: 'When your children ask their fathers in time to come, saying, 'What are these stones?' then you shall let your children know…that all the peoples of the earth may know the hand of the LORD, that it is mighty, that you may fear the LORD your God forever'" (Joshua 4:21-22a, 24 NKJV).

On the evening of the very disappointing midterm elections, one of my kids asked me a question: **"How did Americans come to support abortion and socialism?"** My answer was, *"Three things: 1. Ignorance, 2. Deception, and 3. Propaganda."* As we discussed these things together, I explained that people only know what they know and they don't know what they don't know. What they do know is oftentimes filled with falsehood and they are therefore deceived being blinded to the truth. Propaganda goes hand in glove with this as the secular news media is decidedly leftist, anti-American, and anti-biblical worldview. All this helps to explain what has been described as the "catastrophic wipeout" or "unmitigated disaster" of the 2026 midterm elections. Sobering but true.

Moving forward, some wag once quipped that there are three kinds of people in life. **1.** People that Make Things Happen, **2.** People that Watch Things Happen, and **3.** People that Wonder What Happened. Humorous indeed because it really does describe the human condition. As far as our country is concerned, it is prudent to ask questions like **"What happened?"**, **"What's happening?"**, and **"What needs to happen?"** Just remember that the nation hinges upon the church and the church hinges upon the family. This strikes to the heart of what ancient Hebrew dads were charged to declare to their progeny as well as the mission that drives GFM: ***"Advancing the Cause of Christ to the Ends of the Earth…Beginning Right at Home."***

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

Ohio Grace Family Conference

We're grateful for our friends at Community Bible Church in Tipp City who hosted the OH GFC last month. Many thanks to everyone who pitched in to help with meals, lodging accommodations, set up/cleaning, and the faithful men from around the country who ministered the Word. **"Champion the Great American Experiment: Fighting for Your Faith, Family, & Freedom"** was our theme and all the sessions are on GFM's YouTube channel. I especially want to express gratitude for my son, Timothy, who is training for ministry at Berean Bible Institute and coordinated all of the congregational singing and special music for the event. Also, I would be remiss to overlook the incredible investment of my beloved wife, Lori, who planned and prepared the four meals that GFM provided for about 60 conference attendees. Once again, **please prayerfully consider a special gift to help with these expenses** as the Lord compels your heart to do so.

Deep South Ministry Adventure

Earlier this week, my family and I returned home after an almost two-week ministry adventure trip to Mobile, Alabama. It had been over 3.5 years since we visited last time and our first time serving with GFM. We were blessed with ample fellowship, great food, and quality ministry opportunities with several churches in our fellowship throughout the time of our stay in town. Thank you to Andrew & Amelia Bates of GBC-Mobile for catching a vision for this trip and coordinating so many of the details behind the scenes. Love y'all!

Special thanks to William & Donna Lange of Forest Park Bible Church who housed our family of eight for a total of ten nights. In fact, this was even right on the heels of their family celebrating the life and legacy of his late mother who just recently passed from this life into eternity. May the Lord continue to use the godly testimony of both Roy & Arlis Lange to challenge a new generation to surrender to the call of Christ into ministry wherever His mighty hand and outstretched arm leads, guides, and directs the pathway of their lives. Arlis faithfully served alongside her husband in ministry from the time they first arrived in Mobile back in 1950. Pray that an army of young couples would hear and heed God's call on their lives in our day.

Year End Ministry Plans

After being gone from home for about 28 days the last two months, we're looking forward to the forthcoming holiday season with closer to home ministry opportunities providing pulpit supply at several churches. Our plan is to also send out a year end postcard to our entire mailing list highlighting GFM's mission around the country. Please contact us about our 2027 ministry schedule as we would be glad to come visit your church, home fellowship, or help plan a Grace Family Conference or another kind of family discipleship event in your area. As you prayerfully consider what the Lord would have you do, please remember GFM in your year-end charitable giving throughout the holiday season. **Perhaps you may also consider a monthly gift.**

Whatever Happened to America?

Just as the ancient Hebrew dads were given instruction regarding how to teach their children the glories of the Lord and to understand the times in which they live through the lens of a biblical worldview, so ought we too as members of the Church, the Body of Christ, in this age of grace. In ways that are not altogether different from their day, the mighty hand of GOD continues to be at work in real time and space and history. The insights of Erwin Lutzer are particularly helpful to understanding what has happened to our country. In **"We Will Not Be Silenced: Responding Courageously to Our Culture's Assault on Christianity"**, he explains the following about the peculiar union of two unlikely groups because of their common enemy:

> ***"****Both radical Islamists* ***&*** *radical secularists believe in utopia—Muslims believe in a religious utopia, the radical left believes in a secular one. But both groups believe that their vision cannot be fulfilled until Christian influence* ***&*** *capitalism are destroyed. After that, the secularist* ***&*** *the Islamist will have to part ways, for they have 2 very different visions for America. For now, however, they find themselves side by side as cultural warriors. As someone has said, the radical left sees Islam as a 'battering ram' that can help de-Christianize America****."***
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> ***"****So, in the minds of both radical Islamists* ***&*** *radical leftists, a nation conceived in liberty* ***&*** *where all people are said to be created equal is really the Great Satan built on slavery* ***&*** *dedicated to conquest. It has been said that for centuries America has been responsible for the oppression, poverty,* ***&*** *injustice within its borders* ***&*** *around the world—****&*** *the blame continues through today****."***
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> ***"****The cultural Marxists believe the naïve notion that people do evil only because they are oppressed. Remove the oppression,* ***&*** *they will be peaceful* ***&*** *accommodating. In other words, the terrorists are not to blame. It's America who made them terrorists. Thus, the left believes that if capitalism were uprooted* ***&*** *a socialist state were to emerge, radical Islam would no longer have to be radical****."***

What Needs to Happen?

As missionaries to the American church and family, this issue is at the heart of GFM's mission. Our passion is to equip God's people with the biblical wisdom, vision, and courage needed to pass on the faith to the next generation. Oh, that more parents and pastors would intentionally counter the ignorance, deception, and propaganda in our day by ***"Advancing the Cause of Christ to the Ends of the Earth…Beginning Right at Home."*** May it be so for the glory of His Name, the good of His people, and through us unto the nations.

Confident in the Mighty Hand of GOD,

Pastor Tim Board
GFM Co-Founder & Director