

# December 2009

## GraceVine Newsletter



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### **Christmas Greetings** *by Steve McVey*

About two thousand and nine Christmases ago the greatest event that has ever occurred on planet earth took place when our God came here to rescue us from the mess we were all in and had been in since Adam's sin in the Garden of Eden. Born with a spiritual handicap, mankind had spent our days trying to cure a universal and always terminal cancer with the Band-Aid of religion. We were dead men walking - dead to God and animated by sin.

The coming of Jesus into this world wasn't an afterthought on the part of our Triune God, in reaction to what Adam had done. The Father, Son and Holy Spirit had determined from eternity past to include you and me in the circle of Divine Love He had always known and enjoyed. Jesus came into this world and showed us what the Father is like. He loved the last, the least and the lost. He was loathed by the self-righteous but the unrighteous were drawn to His loving acceptance of them, wherever they were in their own lifestyles.

The message of Christmas is the message of grace. It is the reality that our God loved us too much to leave us to our sinfulness and to the terrible destiny sin would bring. Our message is Emmanuel - God with us! This is the truth that we have been sharing through Grace Walk Ministries since its inception.

Another year has passed and we have been able to reach tens of thousands of people around the world with the gospel of grace. I am indebted to our Grace Walk Team who minister with such zeal and passion for people, that they might experientially know and enjoy the love of God and the freedom grace brings. It is a pleasure to work with them. Working with these partners in ministry is a gift to me and their ministry is a gift to the church at large.

It is my prayer for you and your family that during the Christmas season, you will be overwhelmed with the conscious reality of your Father's love for you. I hope that you will discover expressions of His love



in the laughter of friends, the loving embrace of family members, in the air of excitement the season holds, in the enjoyment of meals shared and gifts exchanged. May you be aware of your Father's love permeating your days and experiences during these days of celebration.

The Christmas season is often a less-than-simple time for many people. There are family dynamics that sometimes create stressful environments. There are those who will spend their first Christmas without a mate, or a parent or a child. Many will struggle to find the necessary finances to do the things they've always done for others at Christmastime. It is a proven fact that people often become emotionally depressed during this season.

If you find yourself in trying circumstances right now, remember the essence of Christmas is the fact that you aren't alone. The One who loves you with an everlasting love is within you and will sustain and strengthen you, even giving you a joy that defies common sense in the face of difficult times.

The proclamation of the manger is peace and goodwill. That is the heart of your Father toward you. Whether you feel like you are on top of the world or are fighting to keep your head above water, know this: Your Father loves you and has given you the greatest gift He has to offer - Himself. May you find joy and peace during this season and may I be among the many who love you that sincerely wish you a Merry Christmas!

### **Another Great Year!** by *Steve McVey*



As 2009 comes to a close, we give thanks to our Father for how He has used Grace Walk to impact lives across the world. We have personally shared the gospel of grace with people on six continents and look forward to seeing the revolution of God's loving grace continue to reach out through this ministry in the days ahead.

This is the first time finances have been mentioned in the Grace Vine this year, but I want to share with you where we are right now so that you can pray about both your year-end giving and your plans for giving in 2010. There has never been a time in the history of our ministry when our monthly income has equaled our monthly outflow. The way the Lord has provided thus far is that at the end of each year there have been those

who give a year-end gift above their regular donation. Others give to the ministry once a year in December.

Because of these year-end gifts, we are able to make up the monthly deficit as the months pass. This past year our monthly income has averaged 3700 dollars less than we have spent. This isn't an amount short of our budget. It is the amount short of what we actually spent to do ministry. That's why year-end gifts are important!

Would you pray about giving a gift this month? If our ministry hasn't impacted you, be assured that this appeal isn't directed to you. However, if the ministry of Grace Walk has enriched your life and if you believe others could benefit from being exposed to the message we share, will you help us reach them? Grace is indeed a free gift, but doing the things necessary to bring the message of grace to people across the world isn't inexpensive.

In addition to traditional giving, there have been times a few people have shared with the ministry in other ways. One family has given stock to Grace Walk. Another notified us that Grace Walk has been included in their family trust and that the funds will be disbursed upon their deaths. One named Grace Walk a benefactor in her will. Another encouraged his family's charitable foundation to give money to Grace Walk for several years.

The bottom line is that those who know the ministry and know me realize that I don't badger people for money. I seldom mention it, but the truth is that we need your help. Charitable donations are down for

everybody these days. I know there are many places you can give your money and am deeply appreciative to those who share financially with this ministry.

2010 will be another year of great opportunity to share our Father's love around the world. We will be holding our Grace Walk Leadership Meeting in Guadalajara, Mexico in March and will meet with our leaders from Mexico, Argentina and El Salvador.

The "Sunday Preaching" broadcasts on our web site are being watched around the world and we regularly receive emails of thanks from those who watch.

Under the direction of Dave Lesniak, Grace Walk Radio has broadcast over 200,000 hours of teaching in 57 countries since its inception five years ago.

Gerardo Vasquez and Craig Snyder continue to crisscross Latin America, giving away our books at no cost and preaching to crowds who can't contribute financially toward their ministry with them.

Mike & Julia Quarles continue to share through the Grace Walk Recovery Ministry and are being used to set people free from addiction and to lead others in ministering to their addicted loved ones.

As Administrator, Cheryl Buchanan keeps our organization financially "lean and mean" as she carries out a myriad of details necessary to keep us going forward.

Michael Zenker, Jose Collacilli and Edwin Castellano passionately work to reach their countries with the gospel as Directors of Grace Walk in their respective countries.

Do you get the picture? A lot is going on and these are just the tip of the iceberg! I hope you'll decide to support this ministry because you believe in it. It is indeed a pleasure to work together with you in impacting the world with the liberating message of the grace walk.

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P.O. Box 3669  
Riverview, FL 33568**

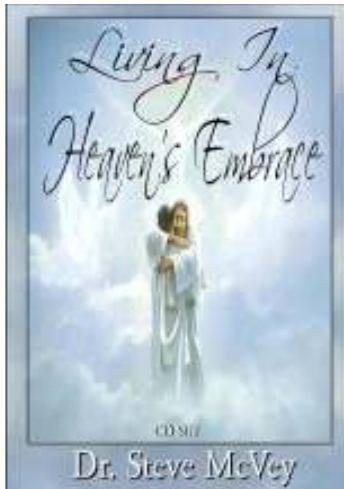
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**Living In Heaven's Embrace**



This series of messages were recorded live at our *Living In Heaven's Embrace Conference* in Atlanta, GA. The topics for the three sessions are:

**Session 1: The Group Hug**

In this teaching you will learn about the eternal love relationship that has existed among the Father, Son and Holy Spirit for all eternity and how He determined to create mankind to include us in this circle of love.

**Session 2: The Cold Shoulder**

Did Adam's sin in the garden change God's attitude toward man? This teaching will show how our loving Father relentlessly pursued man after he sinned and how He would not give up on us until He brought us back to Himself.

**Session 3: The Divine Lover**

This teaching will show how that the meaning of the cross had nothing to do with the Father pouring out anger on His Son, but rather was the work of our Triune God dealing with the fatal effect sin was to have upon all humanity apart from divine intervention.

The heart of our God has always been toward you! In this series, you will hear some things from a perspective that will enlarge your understanding of just how great His love really is!

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As of Christmas Day, Grace Walk Internet Radio will have been broadcasting for 5 Years. Over 200,000 one hour messages will have gone out to listeners in over 57 countries! Grace Walk Radio includes teachings from Steve McVey, as well as the teachings of Michael Zenker, Craig Synder, and Ana Vincent, all who are part our Grace Walk extended family. In addition, one can listen to a growing number of grace centered radio programs 24/7 from a whole host of teachers, and pastors. Simply visit Grace Walk Ministries online, and click on the "Grace Walk Radio" tab to tune in. Dave Lesniak would like to give a special thanks to Steve & Melanie McVey and to the friends and supporters of Grace Walk Radio making this online ministry possible It's been the best 5 years of Dave's life for which he thanks and praises God for. Father has and is, doing a wonderful work ministering to hungry believers world over through the pure grace, that is being share via Grace Walk Internet Radio.

---Dave Lesniak, Director Grace Walk Radio

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**Grace Walk Conference**

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Hope Fellowship Cmty Church  
Waterloo, Ontario, Canada  
888-472-2350

**February 27 - 28**

Preaching  
Centre Street Church  
Calgary, Alberta, Canada  
403-520-1216

**March 5 - 6**

Bent Tree Bible Fellowship  
Carrollton, TX (Near Dallas)  
Steve McVey, Brennan Manning & Pete Briscoe  
972-306-4477

**March 19 - 21**

Grace Walk Latin America Leadership Conference  
Guadalajara, Mexico  
[info@gracewalk.org](mailto:info@gracewalk.org)

**April 9 - 10**

**Radically Better**  
Steve McVey & Paul Anderson Walsh  
Location: TBA  
[info@gracewalk.org](mailto:info@gracewalk.org)  
1-800-472-2311

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**Grace Walk Conference**  
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Calgary, Alberta, Canada  
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