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## Faith alone in Christ alone

Greetings to you from all of us here at Grace Evangelistic Ministries. We are truly grateful to God for His wonderful plan, designed in eternity past to include each of us-the depraved ones. We realize that we are in His plan, not because of anything we have done, but because of His unfathomable grace. Paul, the greatest apostle of all time, summarizes our salvation this way: "He saved us, not on the basis of deeds [works] which we have done in righteousness, BUT according to His mercy [grace in action]" (Titus 3:5). He added, "Who [God] has saved us, and called us with a holy calling, NOT according to our works, but according to His own purpose and grace which was granted us in Christ Jesus [not today, but] from all eternity" (II Timothy 1:9). We strongly believe that none of us can fully comprehend why righteous God has elected to lavish such an immeasurable love on us. The apostle John, under the influence of the Holy Spirit, joyfully wrote, "See how great a love the Father has bestowed upon us, that we should be called children of God" (I John 3:1). This is great! We can never earn or deserve to be loved by God. Indeed, we are forever encapsulated in His love.

We continue to thank Him for the unparalleled, matchless, and unfathomable work that He is doing through this ministry. We pause to thank our great God for how He has continued to meet the financial needs of this ministry through His children. Again, and again, He has proven to us, that we do not need to beg for money, nor use gimmicks in order to have our needs met. We know that while serving Him, we are sustained in every sense of the word as a monument to the faithfulness of our loving Father. And we are grateful for everyone who has used their God-given resources, and who keeps on praying in support of Grace Evangelistic Ministries. Following in the footsteps of the apostle Paul, we say to you: "[We] have received everything [your financial support] in full...a fragrant aroma, an acceptable sacrifice, well pleasing to God. And [our] God shall supply all your needs according to His riches in glory in Christ Jesus" (Philippians 4:18-19).

Your letters continually encourage and overwhelm us. Our joy multiplies because we have come to understand through your responses, that our labor in the Lord is truly yielding fruits to the glory of the

One who called us. Even though we cannot reply to these letters individually, we do not hesitate to channel the praises to the One behind the success of this ministry-God Himself.

Our challenge to you as a believer in the Lord Jesus Christ is to ask: Are you truly making any spiritual progress? If your spiritual race came to a screeching halt this moment, what do you think our Lord Jesus Christ would say to you? Are you utilizing the time allocated to you wisely? Is learning sound Bible teaching and its application your number one priority? Do you allow the distractions of this world to consume you? Do you truly know that this world is not your home? The apostle Paul wrote to the Colossian believers: "If then you have been raised up with Christ, keep seeking the things above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. Set your mind on the things above, not on the things that are on earth" (Colossians 3:1-2). Do these verses apply to you? Of course the answers to these questions are a matter between you and God. We can only encourage you to pursue Bible doctrine vigorously; for in it lays your joy, success, and unfathomable blessings in time and in the eternity to come.

As a missionary-oriented organization, we want to assure those who are channeling their resources and are serving our Lord Jesus Christ through this ministry, that our objectives remain unchanged: First, we seek to evangelize unbelievers with the simple gospel message: "Faith alone in Christ alone." Second, we augment the spiritual growth of those who respond positively by providing them with sound Bible teaching in the form of tapes or literature. As part of our grace policy, we never sell Bible doctrine, but make it available without charge. And third, we support believers who have spiritual communication gifts and are willing to learn sound Bible doctrine. We send them to seminaries to equip them with the tools necessary to accurately divide the Word of Truth for the edification of believers.

Grace Evangelistic Ministries does not solicit funds. We believe that one's financial support of this ministry is solely a matter between the individual believer and the Lord. Nonetheless, we ask that believers in the Lord Jesus Christ do remember our ministry in their prayers as we seek to glorify God to the maximum.

Forever in the hollow of His hand,  
Moses C. Onwubiko, President  
Grace Evangelistic Ministries

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**Y**ou shall know the  
truth, and the truth  
shall set you free.  
JOHN 8:32

## Doctrine of Salvation

By Reverend Moses C. Onwubiko  
(continued from [volume 10](#))

SALVATION EXPLAINED IN TERMS OF:

Conversion ([Vol. 10](#))

Regeneration ([Vol. 10](#))

Justification

Sanctification and

Adoption

JUSTIFICATION

Primarily, two kinds of justification are found in the Bible: namely, the justification of unbelievers by faith and the justification of believers by divine works. I believe that only a handful of theologians and Bible teachers really know this doctrinal concept. On the one hand, the first justification is ABSOLUTELY necessary for a personal and eternal relationship with God. It requires only one act of personal faith in the Person of our Lord Jesus Christ ([Romans 5:1](#)). On the other hand, the second is necessary for believers to be rewarded. It requires daily perception and application of Bible doctrine. By means of this grace provision, all believers have the potential to glorify God to the maximum. Ultimately, a few will reach this objective in their spiritual lives, as did Job, Abraham, Paul, and others (The Book of Job; [James 2:21-23](#); [II Timothy 4:6-8](#)).

James questions, "Was not Abraham our Father JUSTIFIED BY [divine] WORKS, when he offered Isaac his son on the altar?" (James 2:21) The Apostle Paul replies, "For we maintain that a man is JUSTIFIED BY FAITH apart from works" (Romans 3:28). James addresses justification for rewards, while Paul addresses salvation. These two doctrines are not the same, and must be handled separately; otherwise doctrinal error would occur.

In his teachings the apostle Paul concentrated on justification for eternal life, while James' book deals with justification for eternal reward. Abraham is a typical example of a believer who was justified for eternal reward. For instance, Abraham was already a believer when he attempted to offer Isaac as a sacrifice unto God. He was a believer at about age 75 or before ([Genesis 12:1-4](#), [15:6](#); [Romans 4:12](#)), and he attempted to offer Isaac when he was about 118 years old. While his precise age at that time is not recorded in the Bible, the age is not important. What is important is that Abraham did not become a believer by attempting to offer Isaac, rather he became "a friend of God"-a title reserved for those believers who have or will come to glorify God to the maximum. Another way of saying this is that Abraham, by accumulating and applying Bible doctrine in his soul, passed God's ultimate test to the glory of the One who saved him. Nonetheless, we are not dealing with justification for rewards here; we are merely clarifying the difference between the two often-misconstrued doctrines.

The Hebrew word for justification is *tsedheq*, and its Greek equivalent is *dikaioo*. It means to "make valid," "to absolve," "to vindicate," or "to set right." The word, "justification" occurred two times in the New Testament Bible and its verb "justify" occurred frequently in the New Testament. Definition: According to the *Pictorial Bible Dictionary*, justification is defined as ". . . that judicial act of God, by which, on the basis of the meritorious work of Christ, imputed to the sinner and received by him through faith, He [God] declares the sinner absolved [or set right] from his sin, and RELEASED FROM ITS PENALTY, AND RESTORED AS RIGHTEOUS." This is a profound definition. You may want to read it again. The definition can be expounded in this manner:

1. God in His infinite mercy designed a plan in eternity past to include us, the depraved ones ([Ephesians 1:4](#)).
2. Jesus Christ, in time went to the cross, and fulfilled this unique plan of God the Father ([1 Peter 2:24](#)).
3. God the Holy Spirit revealed this phenomenal sacrifice by God the Son on the cross ([John 16:8](#)).
4. The sinner, by means of the gospel message and the enabling power of the Holy Spirit, understands the work of Christ on the cross ([Ephesians 1:13](#)).
5. He, the sinner believes in the Lord Jesus Christ ([John 3:14-15](#)).
6. At which point God imputes His righteousness to this sinner who has believed ([Romans 3:22](#)).
7. God, from the corridor of the Supreme Court of Heaven sees this helpless individual possessing His very own righteousness. He immediately acquits him from his sin and releases him once and for all from its eternal consequence. This is awesome. You can see that the only obvious factor in this process is the grace of God. Man never played a part in the entire process. Not then, not now and not ever!

Imagine yourself as a soldier assigned to living in a desert for a period of one year. In the desert you are

allotted one uniform and one set of underwear for the duration of your stay. There is no extra water to wash them. After one year, both your uniform and underwear are worn, stinking, and very dirty. Then a stranger visits bringing you a new, spotless uniform, but no underwear. You put the new uniform on. A friend sees you and says, "You're sure looking good. What a sharp uniform you are wearing!" Well, the truth of the matter is that he does not see your year-old underwear; he compliments you based on what he sees. Similarly, this is exactly what happens in the justification of unbelievers.

The Bible says that our righteousness deeds are like a menstrual cloth ([Isaiah 64:6](#)). That means you cannot be good enough for God to justify you. However, when you believe in Christ, God in His matchless grace imputes His perfect righteousness to you. Seeing His righteousness in you, His only choice is to justify and accept you as His son forever. What did you do to receive justification from God? As far as the Bible is concerned, you did ABSOLUTELY NOTHING. All you could do was to believe in His Son, Jesus Christ. It is the grace of God that makes the difference in your salvation.

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## A REFLECTION OF THE ARK OF GOD



The Ark of God, which the Israelites built in the wilderness, was an exact reflection of Jesus Christ and His work on the cross.

### A BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE ARK: EXODUS 25:10-22

God said to Moses, "and they shall construct an ark of acacia wood two and a half cubits long, and one and a half cubits wide, and one and a half cubits high." (vs. 10)

"And you [Moses] shall put into the ark the testimony which I shall give you. And you shall make A MERCY SEAT of pure gold, two and a half cubits long and one and a half cubits wide." (verses. 16-17)

"And you shall make two cherubim of gold . . . and the cherubim shall have their wings spread upward, covering the MERCY SEAT with their wings` and facing one another; the faces of the cherubim are to be turned toward one another." (verses 18a, and 20). The MERCY SEAT was the lid that covered the ark, while the cherubim represented the righteousness of God and His justice. It was on this MERCY SEAT that the righteousness and justice of God met the sins of the Israelites ([Exodus 25:22](#)).

### WHAT ARE THE CONTENTS OF THE ARK?

The ark contained three elements: The tables of the broken covenant, a pot of manna, and Aaron's rod that budded ([Hebrews 9:4](#)). These represented the hideous sins of the Israelites in the wilderness.

Keep in mind that we are not studying atonement as such, rather to show how God handled the sins of the Israelites in the wilderness, and how our sins are handled on the cross. On the day of the atonement, the high priest killed a perfect animal and sprinkled its blood on the MERCY SEAT ([Leviticus 16:15](#)). The justice and righteousness of God looked down to view the sins of the Israelites that are inside the ark, but they were no longer visible. Why? The blood of the sacrificial animal that was slaughtered and poured on the MERCY SEAT covered the sins. The important question is: did the Israelites play any

part in the atonement process? The answer is no. God was not satisfied on the basis of their behavior, but because of the blood that was sprinkled on the lid of the MERCY SEAT. Therefore, this action to forgive them by God from the Supreme Court of Heaven, underlines His grace in dealing with the sins of mankind, even in Old Testament times.

The doctrinal truth that you need to bury within your soul is that, Jesus Christ is the true MERCY SEAT, the reality of the covering of the ark ([Hebrews 9:5](#)). Concerning His efficacious work on the cross, the Apostle Paul wrote: "Being justified as a GIFT by His grace through the redemption which is in Christ Jesus; whom God displayed publicly as a MERCY SEAT in His blood [i.e., His spiritual death on the cross] through faith. This was to demonstrate His righteousness, because in the forbearance of God He passed over the sins previously committed" (Romans 3:24-25). Let us expound on these two verses:

1. Jesus Christ is a true copy of the ark of covenant.
2. He is the MERCY SEAT that was portrayed in the Old Testament.
3. While hanging on the cross, God the Father imputed all the sins of human history, from the sin of Adam to the last sin of the Millennium to Jesus Christ.
4. The blood of the animal in the Old Testament represents Christ's substitutionary spiritual death on the cross. Jesus Christ was crushed by this judgment from God the Father.
5. After His judgment, both the righteousness and the justice of God were satisfied.
6. Just as the meeting point of the Israelites and God was at the MERCY SEAT, the meeting point between sinful man and the justice of God is the cross.
7. When anyone believes in Christ alone, God in His unfathomable grace imputes His righteousness to that person.
8. Then God looks down to view the sins of this person who has believed in Jesus Christ, He sees that his sins have been totally covered by the MERCY SEAT, which is Jesus Christ.
9. On the basis of the meritorious work of Jesus Christ on the cross, God forgives past sins, imputes His righteousness, and then justifies, anyone who believes in Christ.

You may want to take a quiz at this time. Considering what we have studied so far, what is the main reason for the forgiveness of our sins in both the Old and the New Testament?

Answer: In the Old Testament, the basis for the forgiveness of the sins of the Israelites is the blood of the innocent animal that was sprinkled on the MERCY SEAT (a shadow of the Lord Jesus Christ). And in the New Testament, the sole basis for the forgiveness of the sins is the efficacious sacrifice of the Lord Jesus Christ-the true Lamb and the MERCY SEAT of God.

## PRINCIPLES

1. The cross, where the perfect Lamb of God was crucified, and where God the Father judged our sins, is the meeting point between Holy God and sinful man. All who ignore the cross remain damned forever.
2. The finished work of Christ on the cross is the ONLY basis for the justification of anyone who believes in Christ Jesus.
3. When a person believes in Christ, God imputes His righteousness, removing his eternal condemnation. "There is therefore now no condemnation for those who are [or have believed] in Christ Jesus" (Romans 8:1). "He . . . does not come into judgment . . ." (John 5:24).
4. The justification of one who believes in Christ is based on grace rather than on merit ([Romans 3:28](#); [Ephesians 2:8-9](#)). No one has ever worked, earned, or deserved to be justified. Apart from the grace of God, there would be no justification for anyone.

## THE BASIS OF JUSTIFICATION:

1. The Father imputed all sins to Christ Jesus on the cross and judged everyone of them. The apostle

Peter declares, "And He Himself bore our sins in His body on the cross" (I Peter 2:24). The apostle Paul puts it this way: "He [God] made Him [Jesus Christ] who knew no sin to be sin on our behalf, that we might become the righteousness of God in Him" (II Corinthians 5:21).

2. God was totally satisfied by the finished work of Christ on the cross ([Romans 3:25](#)).
3. Faith in the Person of the Lord Jesus Christ results in the imputation of the righteousness of God to all who believe ([Romans 3:22-24](#)).
4. God's eternal life package includes freedom from the eternal consequences of sin. Paul beautifully put it this way: "Just as David also speaks of the blessing upon the man to whom God reckons [imputes] righteousness apart from works [good or bad]: 'Blessed are those whose lawless deeds have been forgiven, and whose sins have been covered. Blessed is the man [any believer] whose sin the Lord will not [and cannot] take into account'" (Romans 4:6-8). Therefore, on the grounds of the Word of God, a believer should never entertain any anxiety about his eternal future. Have you personally anchored your faith plus nothing in Christ? If so, your sin has been covered once and for all, and you are eternally saved!
5. Because of the standing of the believer in Christ, God remits his sins unto forgiveness ([Romans 4:5; 6:7](#)). Think of God as a Banker in the bank of eternal life. You approach Him with your check made payable "to eternal separation from God." He receives the check from you, and stamps it "cancelled for all eternity." In exchange, He gives you a new check made payable "to forgiveness of your sins for both now and throughout eternity."
6. Therefore you receive favor not because of who and what you are, but because of who and what God is, and the imputation of God's righteousness. The Apostle Paul emphatically declared, "But by His doing [whose doing? God's] you are in Christ Jesus who became to us...righteousness and sanctification, and redemption, that, just as it is written, 'let him who boasts, boast in the Lord'" (I Corinthians 1:30-31). In fact, if your boasting as a believer is not insulated in the grace of God, you are nothing but one who swims in the pool of arrogance. Whatever you and I have in the spiritual realm is a matter of who and what the Lord is. One important question is, if your salvation is totally God's doing, why do you work so hard as if to say, that salvation depends on you? The Bible says clearly that the more you work for salvation, the more in debt you become. The Apostle Paul further declared, "But to the one who does not work, but believes in Him who justifies the ungodly [i.e., the unbeliever], his faith [alone] is reckoned [imputed] as righteousness" (Romans 4:5).
7. God declared the believer to be personally righteous in Christ, and therefore accepts him as being in Christ's righteousness.
8. The Apostle Paul says joyfully, "For you are all sons of God through faith [plus nothing] in Christ Jesus. For all of you who were baptized into Christ have clothed yourselves with Christ" (Galatians 3:27).

I would like to conclude this doctrine this way: Imagine yourself wearing under garment. Let the under garment represent your own nasty and unacceptable righteousness, and all your human efforts to please God. Suddenly, someone brings to you a spotless, white robe to wear. Again, let this robe represent the righteousness of Christ. Then, after covering the under garment with this robe, imagine yourself standing before God in His holiness. The Apostle Paul echoes, "...[you] have clothed your self with Christ" (Galatians 3:27). "...Who became to [you] righteousness and sanctification, and redemption" (I Corinthians 1:30). God accepts you on the basis of the robe of His son's righteousness, which you now wear. He accepts you as being sanctified because of the sanctification of His Son. He justifies you because you are complete in Christ. Where then is your boasting?

As you ponder this doctrine, I gladly say to you who have believed in Christ: "Now to Him who is able to keep you from falling, and make you stand in the presence of His glory, blameless with great joy, to the only wise God our Savior, through Jesus Christ our Lord, be glory, majesty, dominion and authority, before all time and now and forever. Amen" (Jude 1: 24-25).

(To be continued in [Volume 12](#).)

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# Brief Report

**FOR THE MONTHS OF JUNE - AUGUST 1999**

Forwarded by Darlington E. Elekwa

Chapter President (Jos, Nigeria-center for Africa)

We thank God for what He is doing through Grace Evangelistic Ministries here in Jos, and in Africa as a whole. In the past 3 months, there has been a great increase in the demand for doctrinal literature and audiotapes. We have been able to attend to many of these positive believers. However, at this time we are unable to satisfy the demand for doctrinal literature due to no stock.

We have now secured an office space along Tafawa-Balewa Road. This location is in the center of the city of Jos, which makes it much easier for people to find us.

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**AUGUST 1999**

## Bible Conference

**IN JOS, NIGERIA**

Forwarded by Darlington E. Elekwa

**THEME: MY PEOPLE ARE DESTROYED FOR LACK OF KNOWLEDGE**

The Bible records that each time the Lord calls a man, He readily has a need to be met. In the midst of vibrating gospel mission, one may ask, "can any good thing come out of the Grace Evangelistic Ministries?" especially for the hungry church people of Nigeria. Indeed, each messenger has his specific assignment and Reverend Moses C. Onwubiko, responding to his call has the simple and unpopular assignment of conveying the undiluted Bible doctrine to this generation in its original state. This August program marks the third in Jos since the establishment of Grace Evangelistic Ministries' in Africa.

In preparing for the August conference, announcement was made through many churches. Announcement was also made through Plateau Radio and Television (PRTV), Jos. In addition, flyers were printed and distributed.

Many people including pastors and evangelists, who are hungry for the unbiased truth of the Word of God did come to the program. The number of attendance gradually increased as the teaching progressed. The rain did not hamper the attendance. People who are truly hungry for sound Bible teaching by Reverend Moses C. Onwubiko defied the rain.

The excitement expressed by the participants testified to the effective communication of the truth of God's Word. Many without a doubt had a grip on the doctrine of the Holy Spirit, especially the doctrine of speaking in tongues. We thank God for His servant.

Many references were made by Reverend Onwubiko both in the New and Old Testament to support his unveiling truth of the Word of God. Thus the theme was confirmed that, "God's people are (losers) for lack of knowledge". But "you shall know the truth and the truth shall set you free" Indeed, at the end of the conference, many were set free from false teaching regarding the ministry of God the Holy Spirit. We understood clearly from the scripture regarding the purpose of the gift of speaking in tongues. We were able to know that speaking in tongue was designed to warn the Jews. And that this warning was withdrawn on or before AD 70, when the last Jewish client nation to God-Judah was removed by God Himself.

To our numerous supporters in every way: We say to you, do not relent your efforts. God is using you to turn darkness into light. The work of Grace Evangelistic Ministries is still enormous. It is time that G.E.M. is at work here in Jos and has far reaching influence, but until doctrinal communicators are planted in each of the 36 states in this country and in Africa as a whole our dream for Nigeria and Africa shall not yet be fully realized. We know the "battle is the Lord's".

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## Brief Report

### ON OUR MINISTRY IN EUROPE September/October 1999

We are truly grateful to God for the open doors in Europe. We thank those who have been praying that God may open doors for Grace Evangelistic Ministries to reach out to those who are truly hungry for His Word. We want you to know our merciful God is answering your prayers. Please keep on praying for us; do not be weary.

Mr. George H. Mueller and Reverend Moses C. Onwubiko had a wonderful time ministering in Europe. According to their report, there is a great need to reach out to those in European countries who hunger for the unadulterated Word of God. Ministers and missionaries over the past several decades have successfully planted the seeds of legalism. Many have been taught they need to work for their salvation--that faith in Christ is not enough. As a result, many within and without local churches have not been exposed to the simple gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ--faith alone in Christ alone.

Mr. Mueller and Rev. Onwubiko traveled approximately 3,400 miles by road, holding meetings along the way. They were well received as they spoke in town halls, local churches, high schools, and other places. Everywhere they presented the gospel message of our Lord Jesus Christ and encouraged believers to orient themselves to Bible doctrine.

The response to the undiluted Word of God in the local churches was great. In some cases they were invited to return for a second time. On one occasion they were given two hours for their presentation. Sadly, schedule conflicts precluded fulfilling many requests for return visits. However, Mr. Mueller and Reverend Onwubiko promised that they would return next year if the Lord permits.

We thank God for Mr. and Mrs. Muller who have translated four doctrinal publications by R. B. Thieme, Jr. into the German Language. These, along with those published by Rev. Onwubiko, were distributed along the way. Through the teaching ministry of God the Holy Spirit, they will awaken interest in sound Bible doctrine for both new converts and established believers.

After their evangelistic tour in Europe, Mr. Mueller and Rev. Onwubiko returned rejoicing, not only because their own names have been permanently written in the Book of life, but also many new believers have been added to the same book! We stand in awe and salute our great God who does all the work.

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### "VISITING THE TEST TUBE-OPEN DOOR"

In response to the ministry in Europe, we would like to share with you a poem written by someone who was effected by the ministry in Germany after Reverend Moses C. Onwubiko spoke to a group of teenagers:

This year in September we shook hands our missionary-friends.  
Helmut Mueller, so one name - with a healthy message came.  
Know the Word he tells and says  
Our God treats us in Grace!

Lovely is his today's plan, brings with him another man,  
Moses is this preacher's name, and his message is the same,  
Preaching like the old (Moses) above: God is love.  
God's present during our meeting: very sunny heating,  
That His servant can feel free,  
As he used at home (Africa) to be.

Perhaps you'll ask, What is his task?  
Here in short - the Word of the Lord  
He told the crowd - with joy aloud!  
About God's plan: Salvation for man  
Through Jesus purchased, from the dead He was raised; for you and for me  
God's love has come true

How before he made Adam, and how Adam was fine,  
As the woman he got, the woman sweeter than wine!  
The joy of creation - the darkness of sin!  
He led us to take a deep look therein  
All thoughts were in concentration here!  
Even our wild boys lent him an ear.

Moses and George: thank you so much  
Although we laughed - God message has touched  
Our thinking and feelings with truth never old;  
We got it and know: It's a treasure to hold:  
Grace every morning - nothing to fear  
In light and disaster, your savior is here!

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## Future Agenda

A comprehensive teaching on the doctrine of salvation, by Rev. Moses C. Onwubiko, shall be held from December 2-14 at the Alvan Ikoku College auditorium. Thereafter, a three-day Crusade shall be held from December 16-18, 1999 at Dan Anyim Township Stadium, Owerri, the Imo State Capital.

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## Testimonies & Gratitude to Our God

We can hardly thank God enough for what He is doing for and through this ministry. We are immensely grateful that God uses His children as vessels through which He continues to provide the financial needs of this ministry.

**THERE WILL BE GREAT JOY IN HEAVEN OVER ONE SINNER WHO REPENTS** [i.e., changes his mind about Christ] (Luke 15:7)

Reminiscent of Philip and the Ethiopian eunuch, a young man came to Reverend Moses C. Onwubiko explaining in spite of reading the Bible, he did not understand it. Reverend Onwubiko asked him whether he had trusted in the Lord Jesus Christ. He said, "no." After the gospel was presented to him, he immediately believed in Christ.

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## God Will Provide

### Genesis 22.8

"God will provide" is the attitude of Grace Evangelistic Ministries. We do not beg for money. We believe that if this ministry is honoring to God, He will provide EVERYTHING necessary for its continuation. "God will provide" was Abraham's reassurance to his confused son, Isaac ([Genesis 22:8](#)). When God gives an assignment to us as His servants, He is under obligation to provide for the job. When God does not provide, it could mean one of three things. One, God may not want the job accomplished at that particular time. Two, it could mean that those who are to carry out the mission are not prepared to do so yet. Lastly, it could be a sign that God does not want to have any part of the ministry. Therefore, it is absolutely foolish and arrogant for us as believers to try to devise a way to accomplish a task in the name of God when He has already rejected it. For example, when we use gimmicks to manipulate people to contribute money, we are not glorifying God. It is blasphemy on our part to think that God does not know how to provide for the work which He has assigned. Take a moment and think about the following question: When we work to accomplish a job which God has rejected, who will be glorified in the end? God? Or me?

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## Letters to Grace Evangelistic Ministries

We would like to share some of these letters that have been sent to us. As you read these letters, please join us in giving thanks to our gracious God.

Our purpose in sharing these letters with you is to show you that your partnership in his ministry is indeed yielding fruit to the glory of our Father.

*Dear Grace Evangelistic Ministries,*

*Thank you so much for the books, "Riding the Death Train," "Eternal Security of the Believer," "God's Plan after Salvation," and "Comfort in Suffering." After reading through your book "Riding the Death Train," I became challenged. I understood that the young boy who sacrificed his life for the people in the "Riding the Death Train" is like Jesus Christ who sacrificed His life on the cross and paid the price for our sins. Indeed, He has saved me.*

*Reverend Moses, I would like to say that you and your team are like a light for the whole world. Please keep this wonderful work of our Lord going. I will support you in my prayers.*

*I would be grateful if you will provide me with a book that will guide me in Bible study*

*I pray that the heavenly Father will continue to be with your ministry.*

*Yours faithfully in Christ,*

*Nigeria, W. Africa*

*Dear Rev. Moses C. Onwubiko,*

*Greetings to you. You are my friend, pastor, and my brother in the Lord. I thank God for making it possible for me to come to know you. I came to know you through my sister, who gave me some of the literatures that were sent to her.*

*In fact, one of the articles of G.E.M., titled "Riding the Death Train" spurred me up tremendously. At one point of my life having read it, I felt like I was the only one in that train to a death camp. But at one*

point, I realized that someone has sacrificed and took my place, at that point John 3:16 was revealed deep inside me. Write more materials. Do not give up.

I am enrolling my name in your mailing list. My fervent prayer is to grow stronger and stronger in the Lord. Your teaching, I believe will help me, as they will go a long way for me like a weapon.

Rev., you have a wonderful ministry. I am praying for you. I believe that God is going to do mighty things through you and Grace Evangelistic Ministries. Pray for us also, and encourage us like Paul did. In His grace,

Cameroon, W. Africa

Dear Sir,

Accept my uttermost greetings in the blessed name of our Lord. Thank you for the work you are doing in the Lord's Vineyard. The Lord will richly bless you.

After reading the tract, "Riding the Death Train" I was motivated to write you and request for more spiritual materials. I have shared the tract with many of my friends, and some have come to believe in the Lord Jesus Christ through it.

Sir, I am requesting to be a regular recipient of your books and tracts that will help me grow spiritually. Thank you.

Yours truly,

Cameroon, W. Africa

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## Budget Sheet

### 1999 DECEMBER CRUSADE

The provision for the General crusade and the soul winning for Christ are both entirely up to the Lord. The crusade will take place at the soccer stadium in Owerri, capital of Imo State Nigeria, West Africa. The committee in Jos has forwarded the following budget to us, where the African Center is located. Our position regarding the financial aspect of the crusade remains the same: if it is the will of God for Rev. Moses C. Onwubiko to conduct this crusade, He will provide.

#### Here is the budget breakdown:

1. Training of crusade workers	\$300.00
2. Transportation	\$800.00
3. Publicity	\$1000.00
4. Music and equipment	\$900.00
5. Security	\$300.00
6. Venue fee	\$550.00
7. Hiring generator, platform construction, electrical lighting/wiring	\$1800.00
8. Technicians Cost	\$300.00
9. Room and board	\$800.00
10. Airfare from U.S. to Nigeria (possibly 3 people)	\$4800.00
	<u>\$11,550.00</u>

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## REV. MOSES C. ONWUBIKO'S Evangelistic Meeting Schedule

October 4 - November 28, 1999: US

November 29 - December 28, Owerri, Imo State Nigeria

## Financial Policy

Grace Evangelistic Ministries does not solicit funding. We believe that God in His grace will continue to meet our financial needs as they arise.

We do not charge for books or audio tapes. No money is requested. Anyone desiring to receive our books, tapes or other spiritual materials can receive them at absolutely no cost.

When gratitude for the Word of God and understanding of the need to reach the unsaved souls with the simple grace gospel and sound Bible teaching motivate you to contribute, you have the privilege of giving and sharing in the dissemination of the Word of God. This is a grace ministry.

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## Bible Doctrine for Thought

"What then shall we say to this? If God is for us [and He is], who shall be against us? He who did not spare His own Son but gave Him up [as a substitute] for us all, will He not give us all things with Him [or through Him]" (Romans 8:31-32).

Think of it this way: If God has given you 1000 blocks of pure gold, each weighing 10lbs, as a gift, would it be difficult for Him to give you a paper or plastic bag to carry them? Which one is more costly- the gold or the paper bag? If God has done the most, which is, offering His Son, as a substitute for you, would He not graciously at the right time, take care of your little problems? You may wish to meditate.

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## Here is the Truth

Will every believer receive a reward in the eternity to come? Let us go to the Bible for the answer. "Do you not know that in a race all the runners [believers] compete [serve], but only one receives the prize? So run that you may obtain it. Well, I do not run aimlessly [as a carnal believer does], I do not box as one beating the air [i.e., I have a goal for a reward]; but I discipline my body, I subdue it, lest after preaching to others I myself [the Apostle Paul] should be disqualified [for the reward]. (1 Corinthians 9:24-27) It is possible that a believer can go to heaven without a reward. Therefore, we as believers in the Lord Jesus Christ should be careful with our spiritual lives.

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## The Good News

When our Lord Jesus Christ was on the cross, He had you on His mind. There was never a sin committed that was not poured out on Jesus Christ on the cross ([1 Peter 2:24](#)). He endured all afflictions so that He might pave a way for you to have life more abundantly through Him. Regardless of how sinful you have been in the past or are now, you can be forgiven and your slate wiped clean by God. How? By telling God right now that you are believing in His Son, Jesus Christ. The moment you put your entire trust in the Lord Jesus Christ, you will automatically become a regenerate person before God forever. The Bible says, "But these are written that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that believing you may have life in His name." (John 20:31) "Believe in the Lord Jesus Christ and you will be saved" (Acts 16:31). Will you believe in Him today? Or will you reject Him? The

decision is totally up to you.

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## Gratitude for Answered Prayers

"Devote yourselves to prayer, keeping alert [paying attention] in it with an attitude of thanksgiving" (Colossians 4:2).

We are truly thankful that God answers the prayers of His saints, offered on our behalf.

- Our financial needs for July - Through September 1999 were met.
- July - September's evangelistic meetings in both Africa and in Europe were very successful.
- Moses C. Onwubiko and George H. Mueller were in good health throughout their meetings in Europe. Also, we thank Him for many other answered prayers during our trip.

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## Would You Join Us in Prayer?

*As we pray . . .*

1. *That God would graciously provide for the December 1999 crusade at Nigeria and Cameroon.*
2. *That God would make the Crusade a success.*
3. *That God would continue to provide encouragement and spiritual nourishment for the believers in Europe and Africa.*
4. *That God would continue to meet the needs of the supporters of this ministry.*
5. *That there would be more open doors for this ministry worldwide.*
6. *That America's believers will discover the importance of learning Bible doctrine.*
7. *That God would grant Rev. Moses C. Onwubiko and Mr. and Mrs. George H. Mueller good health for the upcoming meetings in Cameroon.*

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