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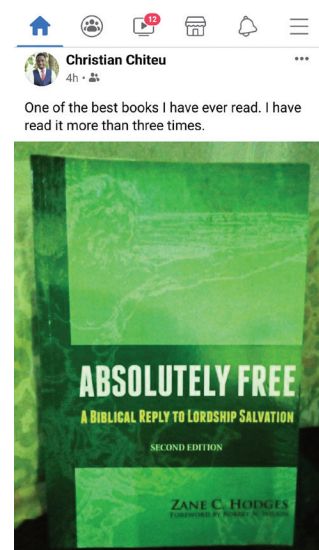
Bob spoke on Zoom to the college class as well as a number of adults from VSBC as well as Diane from Arkansas and Michaela from Florida. He spoke on assurance: If you've never been sure, then you are not saved yet. It was a great discussion, with lots of questions and comments. Bob is considering writing a book on the subject. Here is a one-liner from the message: "If God wrote an evangelistic tract, would you use it?" He then said, "He did write one. It is called the Gospel of John."

On July 30, it was Shawn's turn to teach on election, based on his book *Chosen to Serve*, explaining the evidence that Biblical election is to service, not to eternal life.

## GES Overseas

At the beginning of July, Ken and Kathryn finished up their course on Revelation in the Bible institute in South Korea. This was the third class this spring/summer with this group, and the overall experience was very encouraging. The students asked great questions and we are hoping to go in person in 2022.

We have also been receiving encouraging feedback from our students in Zambia. I (Kathryn) have been in communication with several of my students from May and responding to their questions. One student



in particular has reached out several times asking for clarification of salvation, assurance, the rapture and apostasy. After several conversations, he responded to our conversation on salvation by faith by saying that it had “registered in my mind as a brick.”

Another student who received a copy of *Absolutely Free* posted a picture describing how much he enjoyed the book and was sharing it with others (see photo on previous page).

Thanks again for all the support and passion for free grace books overseas. These guys are so hungry for good books. I know first hand that they appreciate them.

We are scheduled to return next May, Lord willing. The school is still closed due to a Covid outbreak last month so we want to keep the students and staff in our prayers.

We are also in the midst of preparing for a mission’s trip to Kenya this month. We have applied for our visas and hopefully will leave Aug 19th. This is our second attempt at going to Kenya this year. Unfortunately, we were derailed back in February due to Covid. Lord willing, we will be doing a pastors’ conference on the Gospel of John. Please pray that the trip goes smoothly, and that the pastors respond well to the content we will be sharing.

Country ?	Acquisition		
	Users ? ↓	New Users ?	Sessions ?
	82,820 % of Total: 100.00% (82,820)	80,079 % of Total: 100.02% (80,063)	95,807 % of Total: 100.00% (95,807)
1.  United States	69,009 (82.76%)	66,312 (82.81%)	77,792 (81.20%)
2.  Philippines	1,816 (2.18%)	1,726 (2.16%)	2,260 (2.36%)
3.  United Kingdom	1,311 (1.57%)	1,250 (1.56%)	1,633 (1.70%)
4.  Nigeria	1,270 (1.52%)	1,231 (1.54%)	1,500 (1.57%)
5.  Canada	1,147 (1.38%)	1,102 (1.38%)	1,519 (1.59%)
6.  India	924 (1.11%)	890 (1.11%)	1,096 (1.14%)
7.  Australia	880 (1.06%)	839 (1.05%)	1,162 (1.21%)
8.  South Africa	582 (0.70%)	568 (0.71%)	730 (0.76%)
9.  Kenya	396 (0.47%)	379 (0.47%)	467 (0.49%)
10.  Ghana	392 (0.47%)	372 (0.46%)	471 (0.49%)

## Philippines Now #2 Country

Our website reaches the world. But to help that international outreach, we translate the blog into Spanish, Portuguese, and most recently Filipino. Interestingly, that has impacted website traffic. The graphic above shows traffic for a month. You can see that the vast majority of our users are from the US

(82.76%), but the Philippines is now our #2 country (2.18%). That is a distant second place, but it is growing. In fact, all of our website traffic has been growing.

In the last year, we reached 798,175 users through the website, and more from Facebook.

This year our Alexa website ranking has improved from being in the #800,000s to #180,384 out of 30 million websites tracked.

This growth has been due to our weekly blogs, podcasts, and YouTube videos.

Frankly, it is challenging to put out all that material, but we are extremely thankful for donors who make it possible. And we are praying to reach 1 million users every year with the grace message.

faithalone.org		Alexa
Alexa Rank	# 180,384	Similar Sites
us United States Rank	# 52,368	dangerousidea.blo...
Sites Linking In: 162		slj.institute.net
		gracelife.org
		reformationtheolo...
		elvenminstrel.com
Related Keywords		

## The College of Biblical Studies

I (Ken) was notified that The College of Biblical Studies in Indianapolis would like for me to teach a theology class through Zoom this fall. This is the first time I have taught there, so I am looking forward to the opportunity. At the same time, we are finishing up our Zoom class on the book of Hebrews, with people from various countries joining in the study.

## Fiscal Year End Financial Report

Budget	\$573,000
Revenue	\$644,145 (\$564,280 gifts + \$79,865 sales + conference)
+ or -	<b>+\$71,145</b>

During the pandemic and lockdowns, GES had record revenue. Previously our record was \$545,522 for July 2019-June 2020. \$644,145 is an 18% increase over the previous year/previous high.

We are so thankful to the Lord and to you. May your partnership result in lots of eternal rewards for your eternal IRA (Phil 4:17).

At our summer board meeting, Aug 6-7, we will discuss our budget for the new fiscal year, plus important theological issues such as a proper understanding of Free Grace theology.