



# Torchbearers *of the* Capernwray Missionary Fellowship

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Mr. Gregg Gibbons,  
829 North Justice Street,  
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Dear Gregg,

Thank you for sending me a copy of your booklet, "Grace Life Testimonies." The liberating Truth of the indwelling presence of our risen, living Savior, restoring to the redeemed by His indwelling presence, the very Life of God is tragically the missing factor in what today purports to be the preaching of the Gospel, robbing the Lord Jesus of His inheritance in the saints, and robbing them of their inheritance in Him!

The Church desperately needs to rediscover the utter indispensability of the Life of Christ in the life of the believer, without Whom there is no Christian life, only a shabby, exhausting, imitation of the real thing! I believe your booklet will be a timely revelation to many defeated Christians of the nature of their problem, and of their need to appropriate moment by moment, by simple faith, the resurrection life of Jesus.

To those who have never been born again, the timely recognition of their need as those born spiritually dead, to receive back from God His gift of Life, restored in Christ, for Whom man first was made, but Whose Life was lost by all mankind when Adam fell, deceived by Satan's lie that man can be functional as a human being without the Life of God. It is for such that Christ died and rose again, to accomplish the redemptive, reconciling act, in order to precipitate the regenerative, Life-giving, purpose of God, which is to put His Life back into a forgiven sinner. Resurrection, Recreation or New Birth!

I prefer not to call this 'Grace Life'. Why not call it just what it is? CHRIST LIFE! It is these 'other' names for the "Christ Life" which confuse so many people. If we did not call Christ's Life the 'Exchanged Life' we would not have to spend so much time explaining what the exchanged life is not! I know that I used the expression earlier in my book, but I do not do so now, for we have nothing to exchange for what God freely gives! We can only take what we need and say "Thank You."

*The Sun never sets on Torcbearing!*

On Page 1 of the Introduction, in the box at the bottom of the page, I think it would be more appropriate to say: ".....a Christ-centered life lived out of Christ's resources because Christ is in him. (*rather than: "because he is in Christ."*) What we are in Christ is relatively unimportant, compared to what He is in us!

Just two other minor things:- in the quote from Raymond Edman's Foreword to my book, Page 22 and the last-but-one paragraph in the box, for "Ian Thomas *discover*", please substitute "discovered". In another of the testimonies the one who wrote it said "I strived" The past tense of 'to strive' is "strove", but that doesn't really matter, as I can't remember which it was and in any case, I didn't write it! Have a lovely, Christ-centered Christmas. God bless!

In our risen, living and indwelling Lord and Savior, Jesus!

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