

## Bill Durkes

Bill is Pastor of Saved by Grace Fellowship in Raymore, Missouri, a southern suburb of Kansas City. He is married to Lora, his wife of 23 years. They have four children and four grandchildren. In his spare time, Bill enjoys riding his Harley-Davidson, carpentry and reading.

Bill was trained for ministry at Grace Community Church in Overbrook, Kansas. After completing their Lay Ministry Program, Bill was called to pastor Oakwood Christian Church in Oakwood, Illinois. After three years in Illinois, he was called to pastor Saved by Grace Fellowship, which was started in a home through a prison ministry. In September, 2006, the Durkes will celebrate their five year anniversary with Saved by Grace Fellowship.

Bill is reminded of his life before Christ & comforted with his new life in Christ with 1 Timothy 1:15-16, *Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners, among whom I am foremost of all. Yet for this reason I found mercy, so that in me as the foremost, Jesus Christ might demonstrate His perfect patience as an example for those who would believe in Him for eternal life.* Bill has been a DHF member since 2000.