



# Grace in Action

Stories of God at work in and through the GIS community

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## Discipleship with Julian Miller

Julian was only 22 when he began working at Grace. He turned up with 1500 dollars in his pocket and that was it! It was a step of faith and he was looking to God to provide the rest. His first experience with Grace began during his 8th-grade year when he and his family moved to Chiang Mai to work with a ministry based in southeast Asia. Julian had never been involved in team sports but with his father's encouragement, he decided to give them a try. He had a lot of catching up to do but realized that sports were an area he could be passionate about. That, and his love for God.

Throughout his years of schooling at Grace, Julian was deeply impacted by the community, his teachers, and coaches. "But", he says, "there was one thing that was missing. None of the staff were young men like I am now. I felt this was what was needed and I realized that I could fulfill this need." So after graduating, he completed a degree in Athletic Training and went back to Grace to work.

When talking about sports and the gospel, Julian shared, "At Grace, we really value Biblical Integration in our programs, and discipleship is a key element of this." Discipleship is something that Julian loves to do. On sports trips, at a restaurant over food, and in his classes, Julian takes these opportunities to speak into the lives of his students and show them how to live a Kingdom life.

And what happened once Julian's \$1500 ran out? Fellow teachers offered him board for free! A friend lent a vehicle. He found that all of his needs were supplied. After his first year, he went back to the US full of stories and found people committed to sponsoring him on a regular basis. "I have learned to be happy with very little money. Every month I have what I need to pay my bills, make my loan payments, and buy food." God is faithful!