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JESUS IS LORD!



I was raised in a different faith, practicing Islam until I was introduced to Christ at the age of 12. By 13, I was baptized with the Holy Spirit—a life-changing experience that deepened my understanding of who God is. I am forever grateful for that divine encounter. As the youngest of five children, I faced the pain of my parents' divorce. My mother left shortly after I was born, and my father fought tirelessly to keep us together, raising us on his own. His strength and sacrifice are things I deeply appreciate. Growing up without my birth mother, I battled feelings of rejection. That absence weighed heavily on me, leaving me questioning why she wasn't there. Rejection is something that can follow you for a lifetime, attempting to open doors to depression, loneliness, and heartbreak. But I thank God for the power of the Holy Spirit, who cancels the lies of the enemy and replaces them with love, joy, and acceptance. As I grew older, I married, had two children, and built a life in Atlanta. It was there that God spoke to my heart about working with young girls and youth. Advocating for my oldest daughter through school and life experiences led me to become active in the education system and community, creating opportunities for young people to grow and succeed. We continued... **Continuation on Page:7**

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By Rev. Madeline Montez Duffany

He Who sat on the throne said, “Behold, I make all things new.” **Rev. 21:15** I know it's a new year with lots of positive changes, but it's not time for Christians to relax their Biblical standards or think the battle is over. There are more pleasant topics, but Holy Spirit is prompting me to write about the devil and demons – maybe because we encounter them on a daily basis. We are always in a spiritual battle, and I want to encourage you!

Believing in Jesus Christ and the Cross and that He alone makes a way where there seems to be no way will help you to be victorious in every area of your life. **Isaiah 43:1-21**. To the redeemed of the Lord, He says, “Fear not! You are mine! I am doing a new thing!” As born-again, believing Christians, let's look at three things that Satan will have nothing to do with:

- Praise toward God.
- Remembering His faithfulness.
- His loving kindness.

The devil and his minions are seeking those whom they can toss around and devour, yet we can counteract those devilish spirits with the Word of God. This scripture helps me so much: **2Cor. 10:5** (KJV): “Casting down imaginations, and every high thing that exalts itself against the knowledge of God and bringing into captivity every thought to the obedience of Christ”.

I use this verse to push away negative thoughts such as: ‘This chore is overwhelming, I just can't possibly do it’. Yet, God says, “I can do all things through Christ Who strengthens me (literally, Who is my strength)”.

You have to read God's wonderful Word to counteract Satan's lies. Am I always positive? No, but I can be if I remember all God's mighty promises to me. Sometimes, if I fall into despair, God Himself will remind me of how much He loves me.

There are a great many hordes of evil spirits which prowl about in this time of the end in which we live. Because Satan's time is growing shorter, he is attacking more often and with greater vengeance. What looks good to us may not be of God. We need to be careful to test the spirits. If the Holy Spirit of God lives inside of you, He will tell you the truth. He is the Spirit of Truth. **John 14:17**: “The world cannot receive the truth because they can't see Him or know Him. But we can because He dwells in us and will be with us”.

This is Exciting! We are Called, Appointed, and Set Apart from the world! Does that make you feel different? Not prideful, but oh, so blessed! We see miracles every day, big and small! People helping us when the doors seem closed in the natural. God's Grace – all the time, from judges, doctors, librarians, neighbors; in stores and parking places. Just today, a pharmacist on her day off travelled to another pharmacy and hand-carried our daughter's medication back to her pharmacy because it was needed in an emergency. God will put people in your life who will help you. We know a Pastor who saved a beautiful new Bible for over a month until he saw her again and gave it to her.

We even found favor with a man who took down some small trees for us after hurricane Helene damaged and destroyed countless trees around us. On the night that Helene tore through Evans, GA, huge 50 to 80-foot Georgia pines smashed through roofs all over this neighborhood, but our house was unscathed, suffering no damage at all. Our neighbors to the immediate right and left also had no damage.

Elsewhere along our streets in this community and others, horrible damage was inflicted on many dwellings. We sat up praying all night when the storm struck Evans on September 17, 2024. We trusted our God as terrific winds and thunderous noises of falling trees and snapping branches roared all around our house, which God had given us. Our house has lots of large windows, but none were broken, and there was no flooding or water damage.

Other miracles: My blood chemistry looks good, and Bob and I have very good physical checkups! Our Ford Explorer had a problem with the liftgate, making it unusable for groceries, tools, etc. Bob was quoted \$275.00 for the repair. Bob saved a lot by ordering the part for \$109 and doing the work himself. We saved money when he installed our new dishwasher, installed a beautiful new handrail which was necessary for our front entrance, cut down and disposed of trees which were an eyesore, etc. To Bob and I, these are miracles which God arranged, considering our ages.

Yet, we both find time to pray and study God's ... **Continued on Page:6**

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more than you can even imagine. You just need to receive the power of the work of the cross and the power of His Resurrection in your life. You make the decision from your heart to receive the power of the Blood that still flows from the Mercy Seat today, on your behalf, to wash all your sins away. No matter how big, bad, and ugly you feel, or think you were or are. Jesus is ready to manifest His forgiveness and His love to you. He has purchased your redemption for you on the cross of Calvary and sealed it with the power of His Resurrection. All you need to do is to SURRENDER AND YIELD all who you are for all who He is. We acknowledge that He is the way, the truth, and the life and light of man, and the only way to heaven. Admit that you are a sinner and that you can't save yourself, no matter how good you think you are. There is only one that is good, and that is Jesus Christ, King of kings, and Lord of lords. We have all sinned and fall short of the glory of God. Jesus came and took our place so we could be washed of all our sins and have a place with Him in heaven. We admit with our mouth that Jesus is Lord, and we ask Him to come into our hearts and take over the reins of our lives. But the Word continues in Romans 10:9. With the mouth we confess, but

with the heart we believe, so it is first and foremost important to truly make the decision to open your heart and receive Him as your Lord and Savior, and hand over the reins of your life to Him. It's not just a mouth thing; it's a heart attitude also! It's an exchange of all you are for all He is. He is beautiful, and He accomplished a complete work on the cross for you. It's all about who He is, which He outlined in His Holy Word. Its spirit, soul (mind, will, and emotions), and body, He left nothing out that needs the power of His blood to wash over and wash through and through, to make all things new. He left nothing out, as He said, "It is finished!" Then He went into hell and took back from Satan the keys of hell, death, and the grave. He went into heaven and proceeded to the altar in heaven, not one made of hands but the heavenly one, the mercy seat with the power of His blood, and completed the work. There was one thing more, and that was to send the Holy Spirit to live within you, to be your comforter, helper, strengthener, standby, intercessor, advocate, and all that you need to live holy and victoriously for your precious Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. All for the asking, all for the receiving, as you yield and surrender your heart and life to Him. He will then walk with you in

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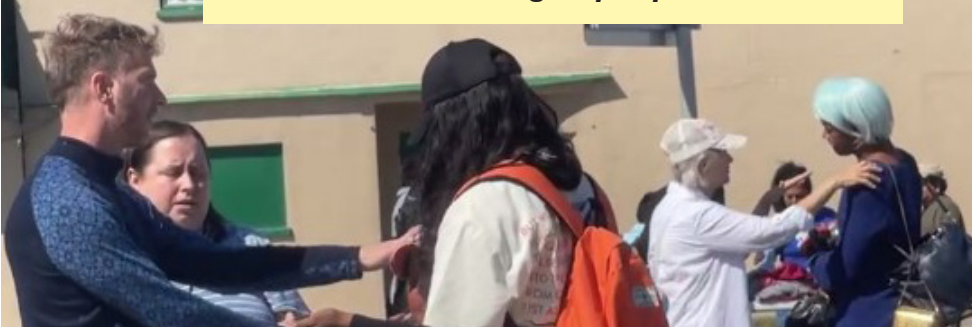
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By Robin Art

Frank Got Saved

Frank got saved on Friday, Dec. 1 /2017. Dressed in shabby clothes and carrying a backpack, I remember him. He was a quiet little man who never spoke. Someone said his name was Frank. Every Friday, he would get out of our church van with the homeless and come into our feeding program for a free meal. He was always there; until then, one day, he wasn't. Then, sometime later, Frank returned to our dining room after going missing for several months. He was noticeably thinner now than when we had seen him last. "I'm glad to see you, Frank," I said as he entered the dining room. Silently, he slid up his sleeve. A row of hospital I.D. bracelets lined his wrist. Moffitt Cancer Center, they read. You see, Frank's tongue had been removed some months ago. Now I understood why he never spoke. Upon sitting down, he quickly packed his bags full of food. I seated myself down with him. The pad and pencil I slid across the table made our communication possible. I never saw Frank put any food in his mouth, although he did pack some to go." Frank, here, why don't you eat something?" I suggested. Silently, he raised his shirt. There, I saw that he had a feeding tube attached to his belly. Then, the realization set in. "Oh, you're not trying to put these sandwiches into your feed tube, are you, Frank?" I said to him." He shrugged his shoulders and looked up at me. Then, silently, he made a circular motion with his hands as if he were grinding food. Oh, Frank, doesn't this mean you're supposed to have special liquid for your diet?" It was true: "You don't have anything that you need to put into that tube, do you?" He hung his head.

Then, putting the last sandwich into his backpack, he stood. Hurriedly, he made his way out to the church van to leave. "Frank," I called, following quickly to catch up with him. "You don't have to rush. It would be alright for you to catch the van when it comes back." He pointed to his hospital bracelet. His daily hospital appt. was in a short while. "Frank," I said. "I know you're having a rough time. I know you don't think God has a hope and a future for you, but you're wrong! ("What am I doing?" I said to myself. "This man is dying!") But I kept going, and the Lord gave me the words.) "Frank, I know you don't feel much hope. But I want you to know that God Loves You. He knew this day was coming. The Bible says He knew you yet while you were in your mother's womb. He knows everything about you, and He loves you. Have you ever thought about asking the Lord into your life, Frank?" He made a face and a hand motion, as if to indicate; no, not really...as he turned to get in the van. I reached out and put my hand on his shoulder. "Wait," I said. "Frank, God may heal you, and maybe he won't. You might be standing on the other side of eternity in a few years, months, or maybe tomorrow. Or maybe I will be standing at the gates of eternity before you. None of us are guaranteed tomorrow, Frank. But if you found yourself standing at the gates of heaven, would Jesus say to you, "Come in, My Beloved, or would He say, Depart from Me, I never knew you?" "You know, there are many people who have gotten a glimpse of heaven and come back to tell about it. There is a real heaven and a real hell." "Do you know the flowers in heaven sing? And there are so many beautiful colors, people who have seen them can't even describe them, they're so beautiful."

"Everyone in heaven has a new body. You wouldn't be sick anymore; You would be young again. The Bible says Jesus will dry every tear. The reason Jesus had to die on the cross was payment for our sins. He took your sins and mine and put them on Himself so when He looks at you, all He sees is His righteousness. If we ask Him into our hearts, we can live with Him forever." "Do you think you would like to ask Jesus into your heart, Frank?" Anxiously, he shook his head, "Yes!" "O.K.," I said. "If it's o.k. with you, I would like to pray a short little prayer inviting Jesus to come into your heart and, if you agree with this prayer, I want you to squeeze my hand and nod, O.K.?" He smiled and slipped his hand into mine. And so out there in that noisy parking lot we prayed. Frank squeezed my hand and nodded about asking the Lord his Lord. He hugged me, loaded up into the van, and was gone. As I watched them drive away, I hoped I would see Frank again. But if I didn't, I knew I would see him in heaven. I did see Frank one more time, this time at the hospital. He never got a home, but he did get a bed. ~ ~ ~ On April 5, 2018, Willie Frank Simmons went to be with our Lord. ~ ~ ~ I will miss Frank. I don't know how many knew him. I don't know how many loved him. But Jesus loved him, and yes, I will see Frank again in heaven. All Praise be to Our Lord, Jesus Christ, who made a way for us. James 4:14 Yet you do not know what tomorrow will bring. What is your life? For you are a mist that appears for a little time and then vanishes. John 3:16 For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life.

God Saved Me from Suicide, Semi-Trucks, and Bombs: He Is My Friend

By Megan Ball

The people at my church, unfortunately, didn't accept me. They thought I was a little weird because I was always asking questions. A lot of people would make fun of me and laugh at me, and I became really depressed and felt like I wasn't loved or accepted. I got to a really dark place in my life where I started to hate myself. It's sad because my family loved me, but the enemy lied to me. I got to the point where I was so depressed that the enemy started speaking to me and telling me I was a sinner. He kept on with words like "You're bad." "You should just take your life." In that process, I became suicidal. I was sad about taking my life. I went into the bathroom and tried to commit suicide. Because I lived in a place where it seemed no one wanted to see me. I was just very sad.



I thought about Jesus. He had already paid for my sins, and I didn't have to die. He said to me, "I'll be your friend. I love you. I want you to live." Thank God. He saved my life that day, both spiritually and physically. I give God all the glory. He is so good. He's been my friend ever since. He's always been faithful to me. There have been other times in my life when the enemy has tried to kill me. I got hit by a semi-truck and should have died, but God spared my life and healed me. I was in pain for a whole..

I could hardly walk. I was 8 to 9 on a 10-pain level. I just kept believing God. I told him, "God, I know you're my healer. I know you're my God." So, I kept believing and praying and trusting God. I went to church, believing God for healing, and the pastor had a prophetic word of knowledge for me. He said, "There's someone here that has pain in your ribs," because I had fractured my ribs. And because I got hit by a semi. I went forward, and He just prayed for me. He didn't touch me...

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Do You Know Jesus?

From Page 3: this life every step of the way, bringing you from glory to glory, day by day, as you continue to turn to Him, more and more, with all that He shows you, too, in life. You will come to know His Holy Spirit and the beauty of his presence like nothing you have ever experienced, and you will fall in love with Him more and more each time. I remember when Jesus appeared to me many years ago in my kitchen in Staten Island, New York, and stood in front of me and put out His hands and asked me to put my hands in His. It was like nothing I had ever experienced, and it was the most beautiful experience I have ever known. I will never ever forget it. Jesus is God, and He is real! God is real! When you open your heart and life to Him, sometimes it's step by step, and moment by moment, you will come to know the beauty of His presence also. When you finally SUR-

RENDER YOUR LIFE TO HIM, you will know beyond a shadow of a doubt that JESUS CHRIST IS REAL, AND HE IS WHO HE SAID HE IS, AND HE HAS DONE WHAT HE SAID HE HAS DONE, AND HE IS READY TO MANIFEST HIMSELF IN YOUR LIFE! Lay it all down at the cross and receive His FORGIVENESS, His LIFE, HIS LOVE FOR YOU, and His POWER TO SET YOU FREE. TO MAKE ALL THINGS NEW WITHIN YOU AND IN YOUR LIFE (All have sinned and fall short of the glory of God; no one is good. Have you ever lied, stolen, cheated, looked at someone with lust, or had bitterness and resentment towards someone?) ONLY ONE IS GOOD! Take out your bible and read... ROM. 3 V 24V 25 only by FAITH...ROM 6. 6 V 23. ROM 10 V 9...WITH THE HEART WE BELIEVE AND RECEIVE...(Don't wait till it's too late!! NO EXIT DOORS IN HELL,

NO RE-DOS!) Today is the day for Salvation. You don't know if you have tomorrow. When you take your last breath, if you don't know Jesus as your Lord and Savior, remember as I read on a Facebook post lately. "There are no exit doors in hell, and there are no re-dos. So don't wait to invite Jesus into your heart and life. You won't regret asking; it will be like the first day of the rest of your life. As you allow Him, He will walk with you through all that life throws at you and show you by His Word and His Spirit how to walk as an overcomer by faith in Him. Many Blessings, Sarah Jansson G.C.M.A. S.W. FL Regional Coordinator for: Southwest Florida Chapter of GCMA and Vice President of Heart of Mercy Ministries, An Apostolic/ Prophetic Ministry (Equipping the Saints for the work of the ministry) - on the full counsel of God's Word-

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By Chuck Kennedy | www.wefundthegospel.com

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“For all have sinned, and come short of the glory of God.”

- REPENT AND ASK HIM TO FORGIVE YOUR SINS

Romans 5:8 *“But God commendeth his love toward us, in that, while we were yet sinners, Christ died for us.”*

confess now that Jesus is Lord of your life. **Romans 10:9-10** *“That if thou shalt confess with thy mouth the Lord Jesus, and shalt believe in thine heart that God hath raised him from the dead, thou shalt be saved. 10 For with the heart man believeth unto righteousness; and with the mouth confession is made unto salvation.”*

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God Will Change Your Life! Testimony of Duke Miles

By David "Duke" Miles, Bradenton, FL

I grew up with very loving parents in New Jersey. My father was legally blind but could see good in people more than anyone else I knew. My mother was great, too; she was the disciplinarian because, let's face it, all children need to be disciplined. I was the middle child, with an older and a younger sister. My sisters and I love our parents very much. We grew up Presbyterian, where my mother attended church but my father did not. So, my sisters and I went to Sunday School in the Presbyterian church, not really remembering anything about God or Jesus. Just going through the motions. When I was about 19 years old, I met a girl for whom I had great affections, but she didn't have any for me. I would go to her house and became more friendly with her mother than the girl. One day, her mother invited me to church, so I went. This church was nothing like the Presbyterian church I went to as a youth. The praise and worship were amazing. People would fill the pews, and they had to

bring in more chairs to fit everyone. They were singing loudly and dancing, which went on for a while. Again, nothing like the quiet singing of the Presbyterians, which is where you needed to be quiet, or so I thought. This new church was very uplifting to me, and God used this church to mold me into the person He wanted me to be. But I never really attended church until later on in life. One day, I'm sitting in my apartment. I'm about 42 years old, single, never wanting to get married, and thinking there has to be more to life than what I've been experiencing. Then, one day, I had a great desire to read something. I was never a good reader. I read so slowly in school that my parents sent me to numerous speed-reading classes to enhance my reading skills, but I never adapted to this schooling. Because of my slow reading, I never wanted to read much until that day in my apartment. I had to read something. But I didn't go to the Sports Illustrated magazine or any other magazine lying around. I didn't have many books because I didn't have a desire to read them. So, I

went to where my Grandmother gave me a Bible in 1967. I knew exactly where it was, which was amazing in itself because I had moved many times in my youth, but the Bible stayed with me. It was an American Standard Bible that I picked up and started reading with such a hunger for reading I never had before. It wasn't long after that that my friend asked me to go to church, which I did, with some complaining. But after going to church with him about 5 times, I was born again. And it was another 5 years after that I got the Baptism of the Holy Spirit. Now, God has directed me to read the Bible over and over again. I have been experiencing many churches but have found a church where the pastor preaches the truth of the Word, and I have been there for 20-plus years, growing in the knowledge of the Word, and God is working with me to become an intercessory prayer warrior. God has allowed me to marry a beautiful, spirit-filled Christian. My point is, once you know God, He will change your life. Hallelujah!!!



This happened right out here on the street, 14th down, so excited he was and you touch whatever Street West, Bradenton. crying. The Lord touched lives you want. You bring We were down there with and gave him a miracle, in whom you want, and the cross. A couple came and he started walking you do what you want by, and a man was on a away. He said he was go- with their lives. We turn walker. He could hardly ing to come here tomor- it over to you. I always walk because he was in row morning. We directed said years ago that you a lot of pain; he had op- him here, and he said he opened a door for me to erations on his legs and would come tomorrow do services. I know how his ankles, and they were morning. Praise the Lord! to do them. all swollen. The Lord had Guys, this is church. I don't know how to do me pray for him, and God There's no religiosity religion, but I know how gave him a miracle. about this day. It's the to do Holy Ghost!

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New Year... New Level... Same Devil

From Page 2 ... Word in depth each morning before the day's onslaught begins. It is the finest part of our day. These are all miracles to me! Praise the Lord that Jesus is the Victor. He delivers all of us who believe, have faith and trust in Him, and call upon His

Name! I pray this letter will give hope to those in bondage or despair. I pray that you will make Jesus the Savior of your soul and your Deliverer each day of your life. If you need help, contact my Pastor, Chuck Kennedy, and visit Faith International Christian Church. There, you will

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How God
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My name is Samuel, and I come from Uganda, East Africa. I'm so privileged to share my testimony with you. I think I was seven when my dad abandoned me, my mother, and my siblings. We were out there without a house, without anything, literally nothing. Her life was really hard. But my mom was such a loving woman. She never gave up on us. She was always there for us. Regardless of how hard it was, she could not give up on us. She worked so hard; we would also try to work with her, as young as I was. I was seven years old by then, but I was working to get something to eat and pay tuition for school. I remember one thing my mom used to do that I learned from her every evening: She would kneel and pray for us. The Lord was so faithful that he listened to her prayers, and God was with us to see her through. Even in that difficult situation, the Lord was always there to see her through. Later, I was introduced to a gentleman who shared Christ with me. I said yes to the Lord; when I said yes to the Lord, I received life in me. Everything started working out. My schooling became easier because the Lord provided for my tuition. I didn't have anyone pay for my tuition to attend school, but somehow, somewhere, God would

flowing normally. God began speaking to my heart, and I started serving in the church. I grew up hating men because I thought men did not love. But when I forgave my dad, I realized that it wasn't my dad. My dad had a certain influence, a satanic influence, a demonic influence. God is love, and His love is in us, and he wants us to pass that very love to our children. If you don't love God, that's not what God wants for you; God wants you to love one another and love him back. He wants to give you life, hope, and a purpose. The Lord has been so good to me. I didn't realize that I could be where I am right now. God is using me to his glory to empower pastors in our churches in Uganda. Then, he is also empowering the young people to know Christ and earn trade skills that will allow them to be productive in their lives. I can tell you that the Lord has a very good plan for you, and he wants to give you that plan. He wants to help you. He wants to make you better. He wants to make you a very important person. We are supposed to give out life. We are supposed to speak life into the lives of others. That's why the Lord created you. He created you for a purpose, not just to be there, to be by yourself, but he wants to use you to be a blessing, to touch

and love someone. We are under training at the Institute of Ministry school at Christian Retreat, but we decided to come here to share the love of the Lord and the peace that we have in our hearts, which you cannot find anywhere. Only the Lord Jesus Christ can give you that peace. That peace cannot be bought. It is a free gift from Him. If you want that free gift, that free peace, that peace that takes away everything. This is the time. Please don't put it off for any reason. Just say, I need that peace. I need that peace. Yes, I need to be free from any kind of contamination. I need to be free from drugs, worries, and anything that might cause anger. I could not just go away by myself. Christ was the one who really helped me to take that anger out of me so that there could be life in me. I speak life. My life is full of joy, and that joy only comes from the Father. The Father loves you so much. The Father does not look at you the way you are. The Father wants you to come to him. He's saying, "Come, my child." Come, my child. He wants us to go before him and reason together, please don't hold back. He loves you. He wants

to hug you. He wants to show you love. It's ready for you. Dear Lord God, I just want to thank you for my sisters and brothers Father, I pray that, Lord, your spirit will work within their spirit to take away that stoney heart, that you may give them a spirit of flesh, where you can operate, where you can work, where you can change, where you can transform them to realize the need for you, Lord Jesus. That you may give them a new life, a new hope, Father, we just want to thank you and bless you. In Jesus' name, we pray.

+JESUS IS LORD+

and different things that we were planning to perform on the street. They're like, why don't we just run through it one more time. While we were doing that, two bombs went off! The whole building shook. We were like, what was that? It turns out one of the bombs that went off was precisely where we were going to have had our meeting! We would have died that day, but God spared our lives in that rain. I just praise God. The Lord really loves you, and He wants a personal relationship with you. He wants to show just how wonderful you are to Him. I just encourage you to seek the Lord, pray, read the Bible, and get to know God for yourself. He has so much He wants to share with you.

God Saved Me from
Suicide, Semi-Trucks, and
Bombs: He Is My Friend

From Page 4 ...but God touched me, and I fell out in the Spirit. When I got up, all the pain was gone. That was such a miracle. I'll never forget that! There was another time I came close to death, too. I was on a mission trip in Norway. God informed me that something bad was going to happen, but I was going to be okay. I was there on a mission with 75 other students from 12 different nations. We were there to share Jesus's love, our testimonies, and the gospel. On Thursday night, we

went to the streets and handed out flyers inviting people to our event. Then, the next day, when we were about to show up, it started to rain and rain. We didn't understand why it was raining so badly. We walked back and forth, wondering whether we should go. They had planned this event for a whole year. We were going to hit the capital of Norway. And they decided, why don't we just run through what we've been practicing? They had been practicing the drama, dancing,

emy will try to use tragedy to silence you, but you must press on. There is purpose in your pain, and there is victory in your perseverance. You are called, you are chosen, and you are anointed to complete the assignment God has placed before you. Rise up, walk in faith, and finish the work. Thank you. In Jesus' name. Email: eking@agrantedn.com Websites: www.agrantedn.com www.girllive.org **+++ JESUS +++**

Finish The Work.

From Page 1 ... this work in Georgia before relocating to Florida, where we now serve foster youth—particularly those who have been trafficked or are at risk for trafficking due to various things. Within six months of launching our home and program for foster youth, my 19-year-old daughter was tragically murdered by her fiancé. That loss was devastating beyond words, but it is only by God's grace that I stand here today with a whole heart, filled with praise. Even in the darkest of times, I have chosen to pour into others and continue the work He has called me to do. The enemy whispered lies to me: "She's gone, so you might as well not live." "This pain is too much, just give up." But what did God say? He

promised joy and peace. Even in life's worst moments, He is in the midst of it all. We have the power to speak life into our situations. When I felt like I couldn't go on, God gave me a word: "Finish the work." I held onto that promise and pressed forward, knowing that these young girls needed me—not just me, but Christ's love shining through me. Ministering to these girls, I often saw my own daughter's face in their tears, their pain, and their struggles. For two years, I carried deep anger, but God, in His faithfulness, brought me through it so that I could continue empowering and uplifting these young women. We do not stand here as perfect people. We stand as broken vessels, made whole by the power of the Holy Spirit. We move forward

ward in obedience to His calling, knowing that there is a Savior who loves us unconditionally—no matter where we come from or what we have been through. As a child, I didn't understand love. I questioned why my mother left. But at 12 years old, as I stood at the altar, God spoke to me: "I am with you. I will never leave you nor forsake you." And He has never failed me. He has been my provider, my comforter, my everything. He filled the void of not having a mother by placing incredible spiritual mothers, teachers, and a Christian stepmother in my life to help shape me into the woman I am today. When I finally met my birth mother at 25, I saw pictures of her life—her new family, her other son who had not been raised with us. I felt anger all over again. How

could she choose another life and raise one child while leaving the five of us behind? But God, in His mercy, taught me the power of forgiveness. I wasn't truly free until I forgave her. Though I had loved the Lord for years, I realized that holding onto pain only kept me bound. No matter who has hurt you, forgiveness is essential. I have even forgiven the man who took my daughter's life. It is one of the hardest things I have ever done, but through the blood of Jesus, I pray for his soul. My greatest desire is to one day visit him and share Christ with him. There is only one Savior, Jesus Christ, and He alone is the answer to every pain, every fear, every question we may have. He silences the voice of the enemy. The enemy will tell you that you are bound by mental illness, but we cancel that assignment in the mighty name of Jesus. Depression, anx-

ety, ADHD—you have no place here! In Jesus' name, every generational curse is broken. The enemy may try to bind you, but we have the authority to crush him under our feet! So, I encourage you today: Pray. Believe. Stand firm in faith. Speak life. Trust in Jesus, because He alone is our refuge, our strength, and our salvation. No matter what pain, heartache, or tears you have shed, do not stop. Finish the work God has called you to do. The en-



From Drug Kingpin to Kingdom Preacher: A Story of Redemption & Hope

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How many need hope today? We're here to get life and to get it more abundantly because God promised it. But do you believe it? I come from a background of having a lot in my life, never lacking anything. Some things happened to me early on in my life.

My dad was really strict with me. He used to beat my mom, and my mom left me when I was five years old. How many have felt that feeling of rejection in their lives? We all have a sense of loss that somewhere in our lives, we lost something we're trying to get back. That has been my whole life.

I was always searching for something I could never find. I came out in the streets, I got food. I got clothes. But it wasn't what I was looking for. I had dope. I had the girls. I was one of the biggest cocaine dealers in Fort Myers. How many know that when you start out with a little, you're going to get a lot?

That's why I love Jesus. You can never get enough of him. His spirit is everlasting. It's without measure. You can have it. How many know when you have an \$800-a-day cocaine habit? \$20,000 a month, you have got a problem. I had to sell dope to support my habit. That's not a good place to be. Why? Because everybody's out to rob you. Everybody's out to kill you over a little piece of crack.

What a life to live. Many of my friends are in prison or dead today, but God spared my life because people were praying for me. That's why I can give

my testimony that I'm an overcomer. I've been clean and sober for 17 and a half years. Hallelujah. I haven't touched any dope. No, nothing. Why? Because I travel the world as an evangelist to help train other churches. Just like I do here. But one thing I don't forget. I don't forget 14th Street. I don't forget the ghetto. I don't forget the hood. I don't forget the gangs. Cause that's where I came from. Shooting dope isn't a good thing. But when you're on the streets, I never forget where I came from. You can travel the world, but do you remember your neighborhood? How many know there are so many nations on my street? Since I've lived here almost five years ago, on my street alone, 10 people have died. Think about that. We're running all over the world trying to save everybody.

My neighbors are dying right on my own street. But on my street, I'm going to tell them about the goodness of God. That's what I love about Sarah and her husband. They're out here, preaching the gospel in Venice, Punta Gorda, and all over the place. I'm just honored to be under her ministry because she doesn't have much, but what she has, she gives.

That's what it's all about. Everybody wants a big ministry. Everybody wants cars. Everybody wants houses. But do you really want a personal relationship with the God that can do all things? That can conquer all things? That can give you all things? He already did it on the cross. I'm here to celebrate life, and you can have it more abundantly. There's a

narrow road. The broad road is easy. Everybody goes down it. The broad road is what? It's pleasure. You can walk in it. It's great. But you have to remember that what you sow is what you're going to reap. Stop sowing that seed into pleasure because corruption comes. We just buried seven people last month. Seven people that I knew got buried. I was crying this morning for someone else who's going through the pain of that loss. When I was on dope, I couldn't care less. People are smoking that dope and dying all around me. I didn't care just so I could have my own way, but I got off that wide road. I got on the narrow road, and what I found out is that there are not a lot of people on that narrow road.

If that's you today, you need hope. You're strung out. You're addicted. You have a sense of loss. You got rejected in your life. Jesus will never reject you, and what's in you when you receive him is greater than he's that is in the world. There's an enemy that's coming against you. But with Jesus, you can conquer all things.

God is doing the work in me so that I can purify myself. The high call is to look just like Jesus Christ. Some of us have deep scars. When they pop up, we push them back down. But it's time to release all those scars. It's time to release all that rejection. It's time to release all that depression. Right now, in the name of Jesus. How many people say, Oh, I'm a Christian, but their life looks like the world?

That's what happened to me? I found myself back in jail for almost a year.

From Addiction to Redemption: How Jesus Set Me Free When Nothing Else Could

Testimony by Thorhallur Emil, Reykjavik, Iceland
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My name is Thor. I come from Iceland, and I want to share with you a little bit about my story. I struggled with a lot of addictions, and I had no hope. I didn't have anything. I had struggled with addiction my whole life.

I lived just to get high. Every day was about getting my fix so I could survive the day. I actually just tried to medicate myself with drugs every day. I went 30 times to rehab, trying to stop, to quit. I tried everything possible; I even went to AA and mainly tried to do it on my own, but it never worked. I always went back to my old habits. It was at my darkest point that I met Jesus. I hadn't slept for many days, and people who knew me just avoided me because of my not-so-good appearance. But there was one per-

son in that shopping mall that day in 2008 who was not afraid of me, and he simply asked me, "Do you want prayer?" I was out of my mind because of so many medications and drugs. I didn't know much then but knew I should say yes and receive that prayer. As I received that prayer, I felt something different. I didn't stop immediately, but my life changed a few days later.

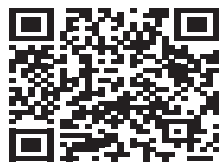
Suddenly, I got into a halfway home where I was received, where I could live and be taught about the word of the Lord. He provided housing for me, and I went there from a mental institution where the doctors told me that if you will not receive medication for the withdrawal symptoms, I would probably die.

But I went there in faith to that Christian home that received me because I didn't believe in what the doctor said. I felt this was from the Lord. I just had one prayer, and all the withdrawal symptoms were gone! A few days later, I was baptized, and God gave me a new life. He filled me with his Spirit. He filled me with hope. He filled me with joy, and

he took away my old desires, my old fleshly desires. They were always the same—just pleasures. Fix me. I need some fix at this moment....

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I'm what they consider a habitual offender. I have seven felonies and three misdemeanors. I'm not bragging about it. I'm just letting you know about stuff I go through. If that's you, let's all say this prayer together, okay? Say, Jesus. Come into my heart. Wash me, cleanse me. Change me. Set me free. Let me never be the same. Jesus, I believe you died for me and rose again. Show me all you have for me and help me to fulfill it. Today, I know for sure that all my sins are forgiven. I'm full of the Holy Ghost and fire. I have a place in heaven, in Jesus name, amen.

If you said that prayer, I have some good news.

You never have to look back. God is with you, He's for you, and if you keep praying, He's going to give you a new heavenly language in the Holy Spirit.

How many know the Holy Spirit's language? You can receive that right now, too. Just say, "Fill me, Holy Spirit. Give me that heavenly language." Why do I need the heavenly language? It helps me when I don't know

how to pray. It builds me up on my most holy faith. The Holy Ghost can do anything. Jesus said it's expedient that I go, that I send the Holy Ghost for you. I just pray that your life will be so much better and that you'll never for get this. When the devil tells you lies, you tell him, "No, I was born again."

I was forgiven. I rededicated my life in Jesus name.



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Matthew 6:9–10 (NKJV)
In this manner, therefore, pray: Our Father in heaven, Hallowed be Your name. Your kingdom come. Your will be done On earth as it is in

heaven. On Earth as it is in Heaven, is the perfect prayer, the most powerful and complete declaration a believer can announce into the atmosphere. It unleashes Angels of might, ignites Sons and Daughters with the unquenchable fire, and the unstoppable power of the Holy Spirit, causing demons to flee, sickness to be healed, miracles, signs and wonders to take place, and the greatest of all, the Presence of God to be manifest. Coming into agreement with the greatest commission; *“On Earth as it is in Heaven.”* Is to come into perfect alignment with the heart of The Father, the mind of Christ, and the purpose of The

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Communion as a Covenant

By David Duke Miles

On the night Jesus was betrayed into the hands of the religious leaders, He shared one final Passover meal with His disciples. With that meal, He served them what we have come to know as Communion. In those sacred moments, Jesus and His disciples entered into a covenant with each other. In the same way, when we partake of Communion today, we enter into covenant with Christ personally and reaffirm the eternal covenant God made with us through His Son Jesus Christ.

Understanding what a covenant is and what it means is foundational to understanding and truly appreciating Communion. There are nine components that define communion as a covenant.

1. Covenant Promises,
2. A Blood Sacrifice,
3. A Bloody Path,
4. Blessings and Curses,
5. The Mingling of Blood,
6. The Exchange of Names,
7. An Exchange of Gifts,
8. A Covenant Meal, 9. A Memorial Event

Covenant Promises: The Bible details for us the promises of Jesus, should we choose to enter into a covenant with Him. In addition to eternal life, we are promised everything we need for life on earth and godliness.

A Blood Sacrifice: When Jesus hung on the Cross, He became the blood sacrifice — the Passover Lamb

A Bloody Path: From the whipping post to Golgotha, our Savior was dripping with blood, and as He carried His Cross, He was walking in the path of His own blood.

Blessings and Curses: When Christ saved us, He also blessed us. Jesus has given His life to us, and we have given our lives to Him. This is the great exchange. We make a solemn oath to die to ourselves — to abandon independent living — and to become one with Him and to live under His Lordship.

The Mingling of Blood: The mingling of blood in a covenant symbolizes taking in the blood of an

other and acquiring that person's life. In this way, two unrelated people become one “flesh and blood.”

The Exchange of Names: When we partook of Jesus' body and blood and entered into covenant with Him, we were given the Name that is far above every name, and in the Name of Jesus, we can heal the sick, cast out devils, and call Heaven to earth. An Exchange of Gifts: Everything Jesus has in His possession, you have access to. It is all at your disposal through His blood as you ask in His Name.

A Covenant Meal: As believers, Communion is our covenant meal. Jesus literally made a covenant with His disciples through Communion; it was not a mere ritual.

A Memorial Event: The Holy Spirit has been given to us as a living witness that we have entered into a covenant relationship. He is God's seal of acceptance that has promised never to leave or forsake us.

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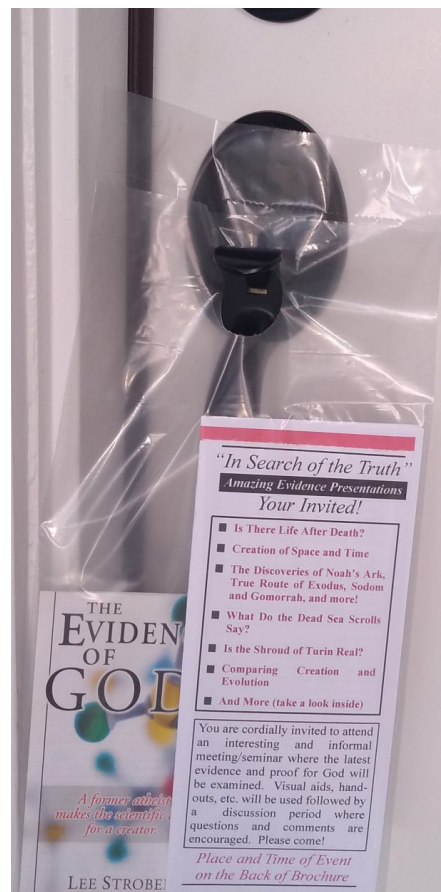
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From Addiction to Redemption: How Jesus Set Me Free

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That was the desire of my heart. But he transformed my desires just with a desire for him and his kingdom; he has changed my desires, and I'm here today to tell you that Jesus loves you. Those are no empty words. I testify that Jesus loves you because

I know Jesus and his heart. It's the truth. He loves you. If there's anybody that needs hope or needs healing. I can testify that God forgives all iniquities, heals all diseases, and delivers your soul from destruction. That's a promise from Psalm 103. Whatever

you're going through, I encourage you to surrender, give your life to Jesus, and put your trust in him. He is a big God, and there is nothing that he cannot do. I want to bless you with that. Thank you. To God be the glory.

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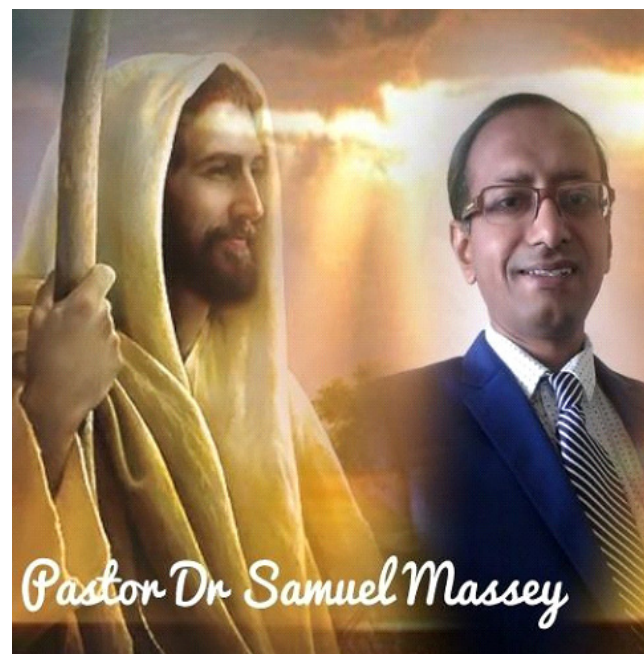
The Miracle of Birth

By Pastor Samuel Massey | samueljohnmiracle@gmail.com

My Mother had to go through a lot of sorrow & suffering shortly after she married. Her Hemoglobin became only 5 grams. My elder brother was born very weak and died after one week from pneumonia. After that, my mother had problems getting pregnant. Years passed by, and all her colleagues used to tease her, saying she would remain Barren! My mother would weep and cry before Jesus

and pray to a living, powerful Jesus. Please bless me, double fold! After much prayer, I was born very weak, and I also got pneumonia. I was admitted to the ICU. The Doctor said I could not survive, that I would die. When my grandfather (mother's father, Mr. Samuel John) heard of it, he knelt in the hospital corridor corner and spent the whole night in tears, kneeling, praying, and crying to our merciful, loving Jesus. Please grant life to my daughter's son, my Grandson. Let him not die. He shed many tears and cried the whole night. Jesus heard his cry. I survived and was named Samuel. Then Jesus blessed my mother with another son, my younger brother, Emmanuel. Jesus never despises the prayers of the destitute, afflicted, sorrowful, and groaning. See Psalms 22:24, Psalms

102:17,20. The greatest miracle is that my elder brother died on the 19th. I was born on the 19th. My Younger Brother was also born on the 19th! Oh, what an Amazing Miracle: The first one went to the Lord on the 19th, so the Lord Blessed Double on the 19th! There are 30-31 days of birth time in a month. The Day and date are not in the control of doctors or human beings, but God Almighty, all-powerful, full of compassion, merciful, mighty, miracle-working Jesus... **Continued on Page:11**



Christian Movies Bringing Hope to Prisons Nationwide

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Lake Forest, CA – January 2025 – ChristianMovies.com is thrilled to announce an exciting ministry opportunity that brings the message

of hope and salvation to prisoners across the United States. Through a partnership with the ministry WorthyPeople.org, Christian films are being shown weekly on the PANDO app, a platform designed specifically for prisoners with tablets. These powerful Christ-honoring films, combined with follow-up gospel presentations, are reaching hundreds of thousands of prisoners weekly, offering them a chance to encounter the saving message of Christ. **Impact Highlights:**

- Films like MindReader garnered 475,000 views in just nine days.
 - Follow-up gospel videos receive 40,000–50,000 views each week.
 - Prisoners can indicate decisions for Christ directly through the app.
- How You Can Help:** To sustain and expand this ministry, we are asking for additional support. While a church has generously sponsored many films, we aim to raise \$100–\$200 per film to support the filmmakers so they can receive something for showing their movies.

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try, you are investing in eternal impact, providing hope to those who need it most. **Contact Rich Christiano at rich@christianmovies.com to sponsor a film, discuss opportunities, or request more information.**

"For whosoever shall call upon the name of the Lord shall be saved. How then shall they call on him in whom they have not believed? and how shall they believe in him of whom they have not heard?" — Romans 10:13-14



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BRADENTON, FL – God-isReal.com is thrilled to announce the launch of the Shepherds and Saints Training Academy, a practical and spiritual faith-filled Bible study program designed to empower believers in their walk of faith and ministry work. This academy offers a variety of courses, all entirely online and completely free of charge, making high-quality Bible education accessible to everyone. While a free-will donation is encouraged, it is not required to participate. **A Vision for Spiritual Growth** The vision of the Shepherds and Saints Training Academy is to:

- Equip believers for spiritual warfare.
 - Teach individuals who they are in Christ and how to walk in that identity.
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 - Help participants become skilled in the Word of God.
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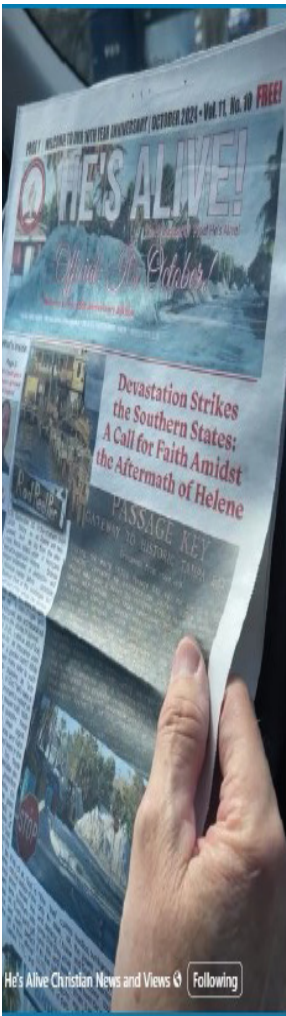
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CAIRO, Egypt, March 5, 2025 /Christian News-wire/ — What a historic year! 2024 concluded with an extraordinary moment—Evangelist Daniel Kolenda proclaiming the Gospel in Cairo, Egypt. It was more than just an event; it was a bold step of faith, embracing the prophetic. Christ for all Nations began with a dream. Back in 1974, Evangelist Reinhard Bonnke, then a struggling missionary in southern Africa, had a prophetic dream in which he saw a map of Africa, washed in the blood of Jesus. He heard a voice declare, “From Cape Town to Cairo, Africa shall be saved.” In 2024, we felt a divine invitation to press into God’s promises. PREACHING THE GOSPEL PUBLICLY IN CAIRO WAS CERTAINLY BOLD! As we pulled onto the field, it felt like stepping into a moment of history. The field was packed, but the atmosphere was

unlike anything we’ve used to. The crowd was so reserved, quiet, respectful. Part of that is cultural, but part of it is the sheer novelty of this event — something unheard of in this part of the world. In a nation where more than 90% of the population is Muslim, preaching the Gospel openly isn’t just rare; it’s usually forbidden. For the first time in Evangelist Kolenda’s ministry, he preached on a campaign field where a Muslim minaret literally loomed overhead. The call to prayer echoed across the crowd as the service continued. All around were houses and apartment complexes, inhabited by Muslim families, so close we could see into their windows. And yet, the Gospel rang out, loud and unmistakable. Some people sat on their balconies, listening intently. JESUS MOVED IN POWER! When Evangelist Kolenda gave the call for salva-

tion, the response was overwhelming. Then he prayed for the but Jesus moved in power. Miracles happened, undeniable and wonderful. Some were too afraid to testify publicly, but nothing could stop Jesus from saving and healing. Though many countries in Northern Africa are closed to the Gospel, Reinhard Bonnke felt a deep assurance from the Holy Spirit that a move of God would come that would open the way for the Gospel to penetrate even the most resistant places. As we ended 2024, we felt we were standing at the edge of that prophecy being fulfilled.

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The Miracle of Birth

From Page 10 ... Christ Jesus loves you, He will controls the whole world. Jesus Christ is in perfect control. He is very specific and detailed. That's why he gave twice on the 19th for the one who went home on the 19th. Alleluia, what an awesome, amazing miracle! I am alive until now; Jesus lives! He answers prayers! Give him praise!!!! Jesus will do miracles and wonders for you, too! Job 5:9, Job 9:10, Mark 10:27, Jeremiah 32:27. He loves you deeply and dearly! Jesus Christ is the God of miracles! Eager to do miracles for you! John 4:48 Are you longing for a Child? Are people, relatives, friends, or family teasing you for not bearing a child? Are you crying Oh, I am childless? Are you depressed thinking many years have gone by, and still I don't have a child after so many treatments in many hospitals and spending so much money, and I have become old? Are you weeping bitterly? Oh, it's impossible to conceive. Are you heartbroken? Are people teasing you?

Jesus loves you, He will answer your cry, your tears are kept in His bottle, He will wipe away your tears, He will give you tears of joy, Jesus Christ is the God of miracles! Eager to do miracles! Ask and receive! He loves you! He will help you! He will Deliver you! He will turn your sorrow into joy". He maketh the barren woman to keep house, and to be a joyful mother of children. Praise ye the Lord. Psalms 113:9 BEHOLD, CHILDREN ARE A HERITAGE FROM THE LORD, THE FRUIT OF THE WOMB IS A REWARD. Psalm 127:3 The God of Sarah who blessed her with Isaac is your God!!! The God of Hannah, who blessed her after hearing and seeing her bitter tears and anguish of heart, blessed her with her son, "Samuel," this is also your God!!! Cheer up, my brother and my sister; Jesus is the same yesterday and forever. Hebrews 13:8. Jesus will bless you with Children! You will conceive! Your reproach will be taken away! Joy shall come!

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There was a time in my life before I found faith when I felt completely lost and empty. I was struggling—burdened with problems, sadness, and pain that overwhelmed me. Then came the devastating diagnosis: bone marrow cancer. Doctors prescribed multiple medications, and my life became a blur of weekly blood work and chemotherapy treatments. Eventually, my doctor told me there was nothing more they could do. He recommended I go to Moffitt Hospital in Tampa, Florida, for a radiation transplant. But I refused. I was lost, afraid, and confused. As a widowed woman originally from the Philippines, I had no family here to support me. I had to rely on my own strength. Through this difficult time, I clung to faith and the promise of healing. Hebrews 11:1 says, "Faith is the substance of things hoped for, the evidence of things not seen." And Romans 10:17 reminds us, "Faith comes by hearing, and hearing by the word of God." I refused to let cancer define my life. When my doctor again urged me to go to Moffitt for radiation treatment, I firmly declined. After leaving the doctor's office, I wept—but those tears soon turned to joy. Shortly after, I attended a Gospel meeting with Evangelist Joan Pearce in Bradenton at the Trailer Estates recreation

hall. During the service, Joan called me forward for prayer. As she prayed over me, I suddenly fell to the floor in front of everyone, something entirely new for me. Lying there, I cried out to the Lord, surrendering everything to Him. I told Him, "I won't go to Moffitt for radiation. The doctors say I have cancer, but I believe You can heal me." Then, something miraculous happened. When I opened my eyes, I saw three brilliant lights shining brightly. One in the center was extremely bright, with two others close beside it. My first thought was that someone had shined a flashlight in my eyes—but there was no flashlight. It was Jesus. At that mo-

ment, I knew He was with me. Peace washed over me. My brokenness, my fear, and my pain vanished. I was no longer struggling. I was healed! As I lay there, I felt as if I was floating. Joan Pearce never even touched me while praying. I simply rested in God's presence. Those three lights I saw had to be the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. They are three in one, and they are light! Yes, God healed me. Cancer, in a strange way, taught me to appreciate life more deeply—to love more, to smile more, and to treasure every moment. But today is a new day, a new life. I am a survivor. In Jesus' name, I thank Him!



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