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## WITCHCRAFT HAS DESTROYED MY LIFE



**“I learned how to make a pact with the devil...”**

*(Laryssa will tell her story on page 6)*

SINCE ANCIENT TIMES, PEOPLE HAVE OFTEN SOUGHT SUPERNATURAL EXPERIENCES LINKED TO WITCHCRAFT, SORCERY AND THE OCCULT. HOWEVER, THE INFORMATION THAT SOME OF THESE PEOPLE IGNORE IS THAT THERE ARE ONLY TWO SOURCES OF SPIRITUAL POWERS, THAT OF GOD AND THAT OF THE DEVIL. THEREFORE, THESE PRACTICES ARE DIRECTLY CONNECTING THE VICTIMS TO EVIL FORCES.

IF YOU HAVE BEEN A VICTIM OR EVER PRACTICED IT, LEARN TO BREAK FREE FROM IT. (MORE DETAILS INSIDE)

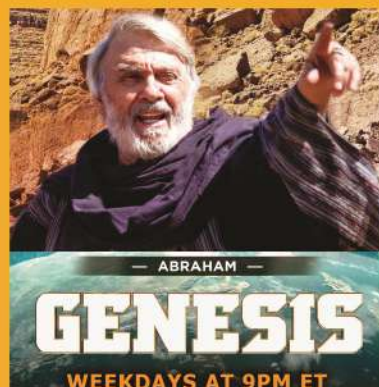


### MESSAGE

**BISHOP  
EDIR MACEDO**

**TWO  
MASTERS?**

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**“I HAD MANY SURGERIES  
IN MY STOMACH, AND  
COULD NOT SWALLOW  
ANYTHING...”**

*Miracles Exist*

**SUNDAY - GATHERING OF FAITH AND MIRACLES**



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## WITCHCRAFT HAS DESTROYED MY LIFE

There are two spiritual forces at work in this world: Good and Evil. While Life and Order flow through the forces of Good through the Spirit of God, Death and Destruction flow from the forces of evil through the spirit of darkness, the Devil. The word of God confirms that the devil came to steal, kill and destroy, while the Lord Jesus came to give life and life more abundantly (John 10:10).

How many people have been deceived by witch doctors? Who were told that by presenting certain sacrifices and performing certain rituals, the evil spirits would grant their wish and change their lives for the better? But as supposed to their situation improving, their lives have only gone downhill. They may have even gained "a finger," but at the cost of "an arm." If one truly sits down to think, how can anything good come from an evil source? How can freshwater spring from the same opening as salt water?

On the other hand, there are also those who have fallen victim to witchcraft, and due to the envy or hatred of another, have lost everything and hit rock bottom. Is it impossible to break free? Is there a power greater than the evil at work against them? YES! The Lord Jesus gives authority to all those who turn and surrender their lives to Him to trample on the devil's works (Luke 10:19). He also promises their protection from evil attacks. You, too, can have this authority. All that is required is your surrender and obedience; then, God will fill you with His Holy Spirit. To learn more, visit a branch near you today.

| BEATING DEPRESSION |

Depression is a sadness felt in the deepest part of one's soul. Causing a sense of hopelessness and exhaustion so great that many lose the motivation to do anything and some to live at all. It is a sickness of the soul. Who can heal the soul other than the Savior of Souls, the Lord Jesus?

On Fridays, at every Universal Church, we have a service for Deliverance from Depression. Visit a branch near you today. Make a Chain of Prayer by attending a prayer meeting near you for seven consecutive weeks. You will not only receive practical steps and counseling but spiritual help through prayers to overcome.

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THROUGH THE POWER OF FAITH

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**Bishop Edir Macedo**



## TWO MASTERS ?

**"No one can serve two masters; for either he will hate the one and love the other, or else he will be loyal to the one and despise the other. You cannot serve God and mammon." Matthew 6:24**

**"No servant can serve two masters; for either he will hate the one and love the other, or else he will be loyal to the one and despise the other. You cannot serve God and mammon." Luke 16:13**

**N**o one can two masters; that is the principle of bold Faith. A Faith that does not see, touch, or feel. It is the intelligent Faith based only on the Word of God, determined to follow and serve the One Lord God Almighty.

The teaching of the LORD JESUS points out two and only two masters in this world: The LORD of Good and the lord of Evil. The Lord of Good died to save us. He will save those who follow and serve Him. The Lord of Evil, Mammon, represents satan, who came to steal, kill, and destroy.

The Lord of Faith makes it clear to us that there is no way to avoid serving either the Lord of Good OR the lord of Evil; He makes it clear that either we will hate one and love the other, OR we will be loyal to one and despise the other; He also makes it clear that it is impossible to be neutral between serving one master OR the other.

**"There is no middle ground. It's either Good or Evil. May your decision be either YES, or NO!"**

There is no way for an



individual to avoid or stay out of this, that is to say. There is no middle ground. It's either Good or Evil. May your decision be either YES, or NO! THERE IS NO OTHER OPTION!

There may even be a bridge between Good and Evil in this world. There are those struggling to leave from the side of the lord of Evil to come to the side of the Lord of Good, just as there are those going the other way around, leaving the Lord of Good and following the lord of Evil. However, until they reach the side of the Lord of Good, they will still be on the side of Evil. What if they die along the way? What will be of their souls?

Therefore, whoever has ears, let him hear what the Spirit of the Lord of Good says: DECIDE TODAY, DO IT NOW! Don't leave for later what you have to do NOW. If you leave this decision for later, it may be too late. Those who serve the LORD JESUS cannot serve the devil, and whoever DOES NOT SERVE the LORD JESUS certainly is already an employee of satan.



## "I THOUGHT I WOULD BE HAPPY..."

At 17, my mother died of cancer, and once again, I tried to end my life. I couldn't take the pain anymore. Time passed, I got married, and when I thought I would finally be happy, my husband rejected me. I looked for help in witchcraft. The witch doctors told me that by serving the spirits, my life would change, but I ended up suffering even more.

I attempted suicide once more, and after that attempt, I found out I was pregnant. After the birth of my son, I sought the reconciliation of my marriage. But when my son was six months old, my husband left home. I always wondered why I suffered so much. Until one day, somebody told me about a Living God who would

transform my life.

Upon attending the Universal Church, I made a Chain of Prayer. I would hear the pastor talk about the Holy Spirit; I desired to know God, so I prioritized Him. I obeyed everything they said; I got baptized in water and gave my life 100% to the Lord Jesus.

Finally, during a meeting, I was baptized with the Holy Spirit. What a joy I felt; no words can express the wonder of knowing God. I fulfilled my dreams. Today my life is transformed. I am married to a man of God, who was the answer to my prayers. My children are a blessing, and my life is complete. I am happy today, thanks to the Lord Jesus.

- Sueli

# DIVINE WATER



## THE MIRACLE HAPPENED THE SAME DAY AFTER I DRANK THE WATER!



I drove about three hours to get to the service on a Sunday morning. I was told to attend the service here because I would be set free.

For nearly eight years, I went to many doctors and had many surgeries.

I had problems with my digestive system. Whenever I swallowed something, it would come back up.

Today when I arrived, the pastor prayed for me. I drank the Blessed Water and ate something. I swallowed for the first time in many years and had no problem. It went down normally. The pain I had in my chest is gone; the torment I had in my mind is over for the glory of God!

- Daina, FL

## ONE WEEK AFTER I USED MY FAITH, MY LEG GOT HEALED!

Some time ago, I had these burns on my leg, but I did not know what it was; I would get chills, and during the night, I was freezing even though I was using three blankets.



Before

God has done so much for me, I used the Divine Water to drink and pour some on the affected area, and the miracle happened. - Cynthia, HI



After



## HEALED FROM INSOMNIA

I was suffering from insomnia for two years. I could not sleep. I would go to bed at two or three o'clock in the morning. I tried to play music, drink tea, and even sleep pills, but none could help me.

It was so bad that I felt like a zombie and developed depression and suicidal thoughts. I began to use my faith by drinking and bathing with the Divine Water in this ministry. Today I sleep well; I have no depression or suicidal thoughts.

- Sharanda, NY

Learn to put your faith in action in order to fight your problems!

**GET YOUR DIVINE WATER EVERY SUNDAY**

at your nearest Universal Church



## |Message|

**BISHOP JOSHUA**

### HOW TO GUARANTEE YOUR SPIRITUAL FREEDOM

If anyone told you that you would have no problems in life, they were living in a fairytale land. Whether you are a Christian or not, you will face problems – and big ones at that!

But the problems I want to discuss today are the spiritual ones – those that don't seem to have an explanation or solution and those that run from generation to generation.

For example, you are fully qualified but can never keep a job. Every female in your family falls victim to



the same sickness. Addiction has caught you in a cycle that you can't break. You suffer from night terrors and insomnia or see and hear strange noises.

Nowadays, it is prevalent to find believers – people who are in church every week, suffering from these spiritual problems. Pastors, deacons, and churchgoers are suffering from depression to even committing suicide. Many churches don't talk about evil spirits, witchcraft, jealousy, etc. Still, spiritual attacks are actual, and those going through them can testify to this.

The Bible promises that: **“You shall know the truth, and the truth shall make you free.”** (John 8:32)

However, you know the truth, you go to church – and I respect your faith – but

why isn't the truth free you? Why does it feel like there's a spiritual blockage between you and your total freedom? How do you guarantee your spiritual freedom?

Just as oppression is real, deliverance is also real. You can be free. Deliverance is not just prayer – it's the rebuking and casting out of all evil. Jesus cast out demons as a regular part of His work. However,

He didn't stop there.

Think with me; once evil is cast out of your life, it leaves a gap. A gap that, if left unattended, becomes a sitting target for evil forces to

return. True deliverance is only complete when the Holy Spirit fills that space. If it's left empty, the demons will try to come back, and that is how you get the generational curses, constant problems, and unexplained issues that do not go away.

Take an honest look into your life. If you feel your faith isn't working for you, you can't understand why after spending so much time in church, or the devil still seems to have a hold over a particular area of your life, this is probably the solution you need. Praying against evil works is excellent, but you must do a complete job – seek the Holy Spirit, the guarantee of your spiritual freedom.

May the God of the Bible bless you.

## THE 'SPIRITS' WANTED ME TO KILL MY MOTHER

My grandfather was a witch doctor who performed spiritual surgeries on people. My mother, the oldest child, had to take over from him when he died.

She miscarried 11 times when she married until she got pregnant with me. I had the umbilical cord around my neck when I was born, and they believed it was a significant spiritual burden. My mother lived in fear, thinking that I would die, and because of that, she stayed awake to watch me



sleep. As a baby, there were paranormal activities around me. The musical toys played by themselves; I screamed in the middle of the night and woke up with pinch marks all over my body. My mother took me to the witchcraft house even though she didn't want me to do that work. So, with less than a year old, I had to be at all the festivities, and my mother had to make an extensive offering on a specific date every year.

As a child, I started to have imaginary friends: a boy and a girl who seemed to be my friends but who later showed their true colors. They forced me to do wrong things and punished me when I didn't do. They wanted me to kill my mother. I even hid the knife to do this while she was sleeping, but I didn't have the courage. They broke some pieces from my mother's china collection, and I got beaten up. While my mother beat me, they laughed a lot.

As a teenager, the disturbances continued in the form of seeing figures, hearing voices, and unusual symptoms, such as constant fainting, which robbed me of peace. At 17, I became a servant of the spirits that tormented me. I got pregnant and married, and the spirits manifested in me during my pregnancy. I did black magic, gave consultations, and attended to many people. When my daughter was born, one of the evil spirits said my baby was already crowned (offered to them); evil spirits were fighting for control over her mind.

My daughter cried a lot and had nightmares. That's when I started to wonder if my daughter's life would repeat the one I had. I remember preparing a ritual and going to the cemetery to choose a grave one day. The other members arrived with the leader possessed with a spirit. When we went close to one grave of a newly buried person, our leader screamed out, 'Not him, because he is from the man in white!'. Even though I didn't understand what he meant, I told myself that I would serve the man in white, to whom the spirit had referred (God), from that day on because He was stronger. I decided to drop everything after 20 years."

My life was destroyed at this point. I was hungry, separated from my daughter, and had spinal problems. I attempted suicide three times. I still had nightmares, sleep paralysis and began to receive threats to go back to doing witchcraft.

So, searching for answers in books on the subject, I acquired the book by Bishop Edir Macedo from the Universal Church. After reading the book, my eyes opened. I went to the Universal Church to start a Chain of Prayer for my deliverance. I went on a Friday and understood that it was a process. I needed help, and at church, I felt peace."

Persevering in the Chains of Prayers, I got delivered from evil forces, and by seeking the Holy Spirit, my life got transformed. Practicing the Altar's teachings and seeking God's Presence daily, I got baptized with the Holy Spirit. The void was filled; I felt loved and welcomed as a daughter. Today, the Holy Spirit is the greatest treasure I have. I am quiet, at peace, and with the will to live. I'm married, healed, and thirsty to win suffering souls. In addition, my daughter today is a woman of God.

Lucia Flores

JUNE 2023							Bible Reading		GENESIS	
SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT	1	2	3	
				Genesis 32	Genesis 33	Genesis 34				
4 Genesis 35	5 Genesis 36	6 Genesis 37	7 Genesis 38	8 Genesis 39	9 Genesis 40	10 Genesis 41				
11 Genesis 42	12 Genesis 43	13 Genesis 44	14 Genesis 45	15 Genesis 46	16 Genesis 47	17 Genesis 48				
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## SUNDAY GATHERING OF FAITH AND MIRACLES IN HARLEM, NY

AMC MAGIC JOHNSON THEATRES



June 11th, 2023 - Sunday of Family in God's Hands

The Universal Church – Harlem held its Sunday Great Gathering of Faith and Miracles at the AMC -Magic Johnson Theatres in Harlem, New York.

Pastor Luiz opened the service by praying for all the Attendees. The "Divine Water" was then distributed to all the Attendees, who were instructed to take three (3) sips of the spiritual treatment. Pastor Luiz reminded the Attendees that June is the month of "The Test" and that they should put their Faith in God and test Him regarding their healing. He also advised them not to accept sicknesses; "Your body is the temple of our Lord Jesus and, as such, should not be infected or tainted with any illness, condition, or disease."



### Testimony

Ms. Sharon testified that in March 2023, she experienced vision issues that caused bleeding behind her eyes and vision loss. She returned today to testify about her new diagnosis from the doctors. Two (2) weeks prior, she went to the doctor for her regular visit and injection and was told she still had bleeding behind the eyes. However, this past Friday, she went back for her regular visit and was told that the bleeding behind the eyes was no longer detected, and she did not need the injection in the eyes that Friday. They extended her bi-weekly doctor's visit now to every few months. She believed she received her healing because she used her Faith while drinking the "Divine Water."



### Prayer for Family

The Pastor then prayed for the Attendees' families asking God to help them build their families instead of separating/dividing them. He also noted that it would be the week of salvation for the family, wherein we would pray for our family members to receive their salvation.

### Tithes and Offerings

Pastor Luiz reminded the congregation that being a Tither meant putting God first above all things. Your tithe and offering are something spiritual and not just money or cash. God does not need your money since everything belongs to him; it's about your faithfulness and obedience to his word. "Will a man rob God? Yet you have robbed Me! But you say, 'In what way have we robbed You?' In tithes and offerings. You are cursed with a curse, For you have robbed Me, Even this whole nation." Malachi 3:8

The Pastor also reminded the Attendees that tithes and offerings are different because the scriptures specifically mention both. In addition, when you rob God, you will be cursed, so if your financial life is struggling, this is the time to make a vow or test with God. We should keep our vows with God because a vow represents us; it's our words. "You are cursed with a curse, for you have robbed Me, even this whole nation." Malachi 3:9

The Pastor stated that returning our tithes and offerings is a way to keep a relationship with God. God does not need our money because He gives us more in return once we have a relationship. "Bring all the tithes into the storehouse, that there may be food in My house, and try Me now in this," says the LORD of hosts, "If I will not open for you the windows of heaven And pour out for you such blessing That there will not be room enough to receive it." Malachi 3:10

### The Message

"Strive to enter through the narrow gate, for many, I say to you, will seek to enter and will not be able." Luke 13:24 The individuals who will be turned away from the door will not only be non-believers but also those who call themselves believers, servants of God, evangelists, and even have titles in the church. "When once the Master of the house has risen up and shut the door, and you begin to stand outside and knock at the door, saying,

'Lord, Lord, open for us,' and He will answer and say to you, 'I do not know you, where you are from,' then you will begin to say, "We ate and drank in Your presence, and You taught in our streets. But He will say, 'I tell you, I do not know you, where you are from. Depart from Me, all you workers of iniquity.'" Luke 13:25-27

We must stay far from iniquities, which are hidden sins, i.e., your thoughts, and follow in the footsteps of our Lord Jesus. We should not just serve, but we must serve properly, in the right way, not our way. People should see the light of God in us if we are serving God and representing our Lord Jesus Christ. .

We must take advantage of the door while it is open. To walk in Spirit (In communion) with our Lord Jesus Christ, serving him properly, and allow our conscience to guide us.



### New Attendees

Ms. Gloria and Ms. Sharmaine were invited to the service by Assistant Yvonne, who evangelized them on

125th Street. They both enjoyed the service and took the knowledge and belief that God was with them. He is always working on their behalf even when they don't even see it. He will never leave us alone or forsake us.



Ms. Brooks was evangelized a couple of weeks prior to attending the service while walking on 125th Street. A Pastor invited her to the AMC Theater service and gave her a ticket to enter the venue. Ms. Brooks attended the service today and noted that she enjoyed the service and will be returning.

She noted how precious an "invitation" to the event was to her because it opened 'The Door' to her. She knew she was welcomed, accepted, deemed precious, counted, and deemed valuable. It also meant she had a right to be at the venue. She believes that God uses people as vessels to spread his word, and she believes that what happened when she was evangelized.



Every Sunday At 10 am  
AMC Magic Johnson Theater  
2309 Fredrick Douglas Blvd.,  
(Btwn 124th and 125th street)  
New York, New York, 10027



## WITCHCRAFT HAS DESTROYED MY LIFE



**L**aryssa grew up surrounded by the affection of her parents and siblings; despite receiving all the assistance a child needs, she was unhappy. "I was sad, and I isolated myself in my room. I constantly fought with my family members. I was furious and thought about killing them. I grew up with this emptiness and hate inside me. I tried to fill my sadness with friendships at school but to no avail."

She recalls that, as a teenager, she attended parties and experimented with drinking and marijuana. She did not become addicted to drugs, but she became addicted to

something that also harmed her: "I was addicted to social networks, where I planned a perfect life, spent several hours a day surfing, and that made me anxious. I compared myself to others on the internet, had complexes, felt ugly, and developed bulimia. Dissatisfied, I started self-harming."

The inner emptiness and sadness increased. Laryssa could not open up to her parents and family and even ran away from home a few times, as she felt she was the reason for the problems. She says that she had no peace and that thoughts of suicide were constant. When she was

### I LEARNED HOW TO MAKE A PACT WITH THE DEVIL...

14, she tried to take her own life for the first time.

She survived, but the immense emptiness made her look for different ways to feel good. "I felt like the worst person in the universe and started self-harming. I liked to see blood. I entered the world of Gothicism, watched horror and witchcraft movies and series, read about satanism

**I had nightmares, felt pursued by shadows, hallucinations and tried to kill myself...**

and how to make a pact with the devil, and listened to depressing music, which only increased the darkness inside me. I had nightmares, felt pursued by shadows and hallucinations, and tried to kill myself again after a family fight. I threatened my family members with death and tried to kill my brother by throwing a glass at him. I thought there was no way

out for me but death," she declares.

"I no longer wanted to get ready, eat or shower. I roamed the streets with panic attacks. I planned my death after a friend committed suicide. I decided that I would repeat what he did. I wrote farewell letters to my family, got everything ready, and thought there would be no mistake this time."

It was 2017, and close to the date she set to kill herself, she passed by the Universal Church and received an invitation that would change her future. "I agreed to participate in the meeting that day, but I thought: 'It won't make any difference because I'm already dead inside,' but I was wrong." She heard a word that brought her hope. "The pastor said, 'God can erase everything you are feeling and give you a new life as if it were a blank slate. He has already forgiven you, and you need to forgive yourself.'" She returned home feeling light and decided to return to the Universal Church more often. So she began to make a Chain of Prayer and attend deliverance meetings on Fridays. She learned to

use faith to overcome the evil forces that encouraged her to kill herself, overcame her complexes, and left behind everything that oppressed her.

"I saw my sin and abandoned the mistake and bad friendships. Nobody told me what to do, but I understood the Voice of God. I was baptized in water, asked God and my parents for forgiveness, and gave myself completely to the Lord Jesus. A desire to know God was born in me and I received the Holy Spirit. My mind changed, and I began to see everything with spiritual eyes. My heart no longer held hatred, resentment, hurt, or insecurity. I received a blank page, a new life. Today I have peace, joy, and true happiness dwelling in me. My pleasure is to tell everyone what God has done in my life," she concludes.

**Today I have peace, joy, and true happiness dwelling in me.**





**W**itchcraft is harming another person; It is when a subject is envious of another and tries to break the victim's life and induces them to hang themselves or become seriously ill so that they die at a time that does not correspond to them.

The above is a fragment of a study published by the Autonomous Indigenous University of Mexico, which analyzed the relationship and perception of suicidal desires with witchcraft in a Mayan population.

According to the stories that were collected, this anthropological investigation found that people take their own lives because "they no longer control their decisions, they have no will, are

lost, they do not have full awareness of their actions, which are under the influence of evil."

Said information coincides with what some former witchcraft practitioners generally refer to. According to them, some jobs are not only done to destroy a person's career, family, or life but also to cause depression, drive them into poverty, or make them suicidal.

Some believe that the relationship of witchcraft with depression and suicidal desires is only a suggestion. However, other signs highlight that this is a supernatural attack, such as seeing shadows or strange presences, hearing strange noises in the house, insomnia, nightmares, and feeling that the

dead man is rising, among others.

The point is that many go to clean houses to try to overcome the evil that afflicts them. Without knowing that there is a detail that foresees that the result will not be beneficial:

**"Every kingdom divided against itself is brought to desolation, and a house divided against a house falls. 18 If Satan also is divided against himself, how will his kingdom stand? (Luke 11:17-18).**

So, if evil can't fight itself, what can defeat it?

**"But if I cast out demons with the finger of God, surely the kingdom of God has come upon you." (Luke 11:20).**

**If you feel that you are a victim of some witchcraft ritual and that there is an evil presence in your life, urgently seek your spiritual deliverance and put on God's protection so that evil does not have access to your life. Only through faith it is possible to undo and overcome any evil work. Visit your closest Universal Church. See back page for locations.**

**Friday Deliverance meetings at 7am, 10am 4pm & 7pm [\*times may vary\*]**

**MIDNIGHT WARFARE at 11pm**

## MAKE A CHAIN OF PRAYER

### IT WORKS!

A Chain of Prayer is when you attend a prayer meeting for a certain number of weeks without interruption in order to see a breakthrough in your life. Whether it is healing, a financial breakthrough or spiritual deliverance that you need, a Chain of Prayer helps you develop the faith and determination to overcome.

**Monday - Strong Nation  
7am, 10am, 4pm & 7pm**



Learn the secrets to overcome financially. Receive direction to grow and become a successful person.



**Tuesday - Prayer for healing  
7am, 10am, 4pm & 7pm**

Receive prayers for your physical, mental and spiritual well-being.

**Wednesday - Night of Salvation  
7am, 10am, 4pm & 7pm**



A meeting will be held for those who want to invest in a genuine relationship with God.



**Thursday - Family & Love Therapy  
7am, 10am, 4pm & 7pm**

The goal of the family meeting is to bring families together. No family is perfect, but they can be free from any hate, separation and other underlying issues.

**Friday - Deliverance  
7am, 10am, 4pm & 7pm**



There is a root to every problem. No issue can be dealt with permanently without removing its root. Every Friday, strong prayers is provided for anyone who is facing a problem that is influenced by negativity.



**Saturday - Impossible Cases  
8am & 12pm**

Have you ever looked at a problem or situation and thought, 'this is impossible, there is no solution to this?' If you want to see the 'impossible become possible', join us every Saturday.

**Sunday - Gathering of Faith & Miracles  
7am, 10am, 3pm & 6pm**



These meetings aim to help people connect with God, to empower people and teach them how to use their faith to achieve what they want in their lives.

## FOR THE FIRST TIME EVER, IN U.S. HISTORY!

THE UBB HAD THE OPPORTUNITY TO HAVE THE FOUNDER OF THE UNIVERSAL CHURCH PRESENT AT THE GOREE UNIT! LET'S TAKE A LOOK



**O**n Tuesday, June 13th, in the Goree Unit, the UBB had the great privilege of having with us the present of Bishop Edir Macedo, who is the founder of the Universal Church, and the Universal Beyond Bars. It was an unforgettable

day, a day to remember!!! First, the men had the chance to partake and watch the first episode of our Genesis TV Series. They witnessed the Bible come to life, seeing where it all began, from the skies to the waters, light to dark, animals,



humankind, and speaking of the sin. The Genesis TV series was a mind-blowing film that caught the attention of the inmates that took part; it was a chance to see

God's word in action. But this wasn't all; after this great tv series, there was a moment for Bishop Macedo to give a word of faith

topic: forgiveness. It was a subject that hit home for many, especially being incarcerated. **Forgiveness is one of the most challenging things for inmates because many have harbored grudges towards their prosecutors, victims, judges, lawyers, family/**



friends, and many against themselves. Bishop Macedo spoke about how important it is to forgive. They have this hate and this burden of questioning why I let myself get so far; why didn't I stop before it was too late? However, during the service: **let go of the**



**H**ere you see Bishop Macedo, joining together in prayer with the inmates to seek God on their behalf. Bishop Macedo

for those that do not know his story, also spent time behind bars due to injustices he faced, because of his desire to preach the gospel.



**grudges I've held onto."** After a chance to seek letting go of the grudges they held onto for so





“ ONE INMATE SAID, AFTER LETTING GO OF THE GRUDGES AND SURRENDERING THEM TO GOD, I FELT MUCH LIGHTER. To finish, Bishop determined the laid hands on blessing; together, their heads and he embraced all the

inmates and blessed each of them. The UBB greatly thanks Chaplain Holmes and Senior Warden Tilley for helping us put this great day together and giving us this opportunity to enter the prisons.

It was the first recording done at the beginning of the UBB production.



We thank Record TV for being present and the Living Faith Network to all the staff of the Goree unit. We also appreciate your support.



Through this event, we also had the presence of Chaplain Holmes at our Night of Revival service in Houston, Texas.



**"FOR IF YOU FORGIVE MEN THEIR TRESPASSES, YOUR HEAVENLY FATHER WILL ALSO FORGIVE YOU. BUT IF YOU DO NOT FORGIVE MEN THEIR TRESPASSES, NEITHER WILL YOUR FATHER FORGIVE YOUR TRESPASSES." MATTHEW 6:14-15**



A reminder you want to for us all have peace, from Bishop you need to Macedo, if forgive.



## STAY ENCOURAGED WITH DAILY PROGRAMS!

### ULFN PROGRAMS SCHEDULE (ET)

**SHOWDOWN OF FAITH | 7am**  
with Bishop Joshua

**THE AM SHOW | 9am**

**ULFN NEWS | 8am, 1pm & 6pm**

**WELLNESS 360 | 2pm**

**BREAKING THE SILENCE | 3pm**

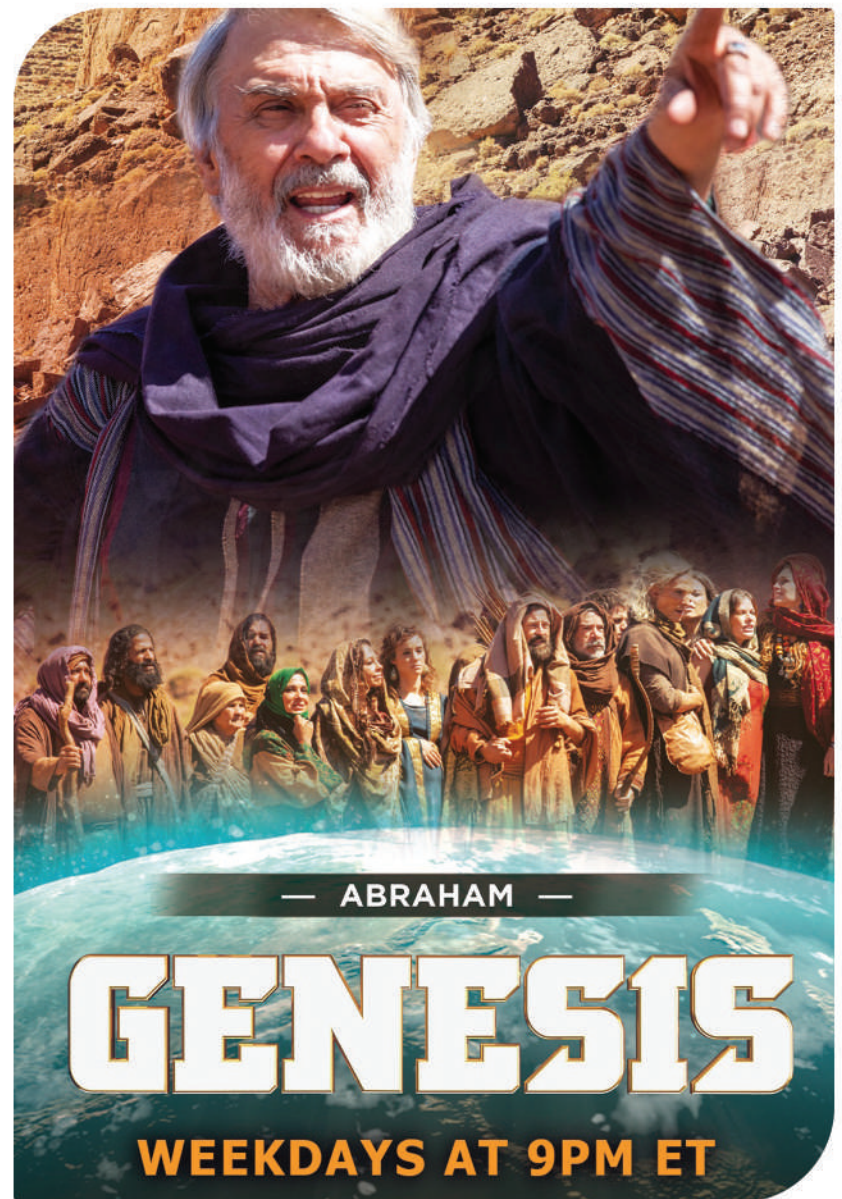
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Every effort that the biomedical scientific researcher, Reinaldo Manhani made to make his life different from the problematic family situation he experienced in his childhood did not generate permanent results because he depended only on his knowledge. He believed that through his studies, his story would be different from that of his family members. "As a teenager, I started working during the day and studying at night. I completed high school, which, at the time, 30 years ago, was almost impossible. Soon after completing the biomedicine course, I sought to work at a local Hospital, where I met my wife and had two children."

Reinaldo seemed to have achieved the long-awaited stability: he had his family, a successful career, and medical research articles published with international repercussions. The conflicts in his marriage, however, made him a frustrated man. After ten years, the marriage ended, and by law, custody of the children remained with the ex-wife. "I didn't accept the distance and the new scenario, which was going from a caring parent to a visiting parent; I got into severe depression." With the loss of his family and depression, his health weakened, leading him to be unemployed.

One day, trying to tune in to a radio station, Reinaldo heard The Universal Church program and became interested in the subject. After hearing the radio station for a few more days, he decided to go to the church. Reinaldo began to participate in meetings but questioned everything the pastor would preach. Finally, he understood that his life resulted from not putting God first. "I realized that all my efforts and scientific knowledge were limited and that I wouldn't get anywhere with my strength. I decided to test the word of God without

questioning and surrender to the teachings coming from the Altar. I learned how to use an intelligent faith." His life began to show the results of his obedience to the Word of God. "The closer I got to the Altar, the more I saw God's Words coming true in my life. New opportunities started opening up in my life, and my life is completely restored today. I work in personalized medicine for cancer treatment, which is what I specialized in," he reports.

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