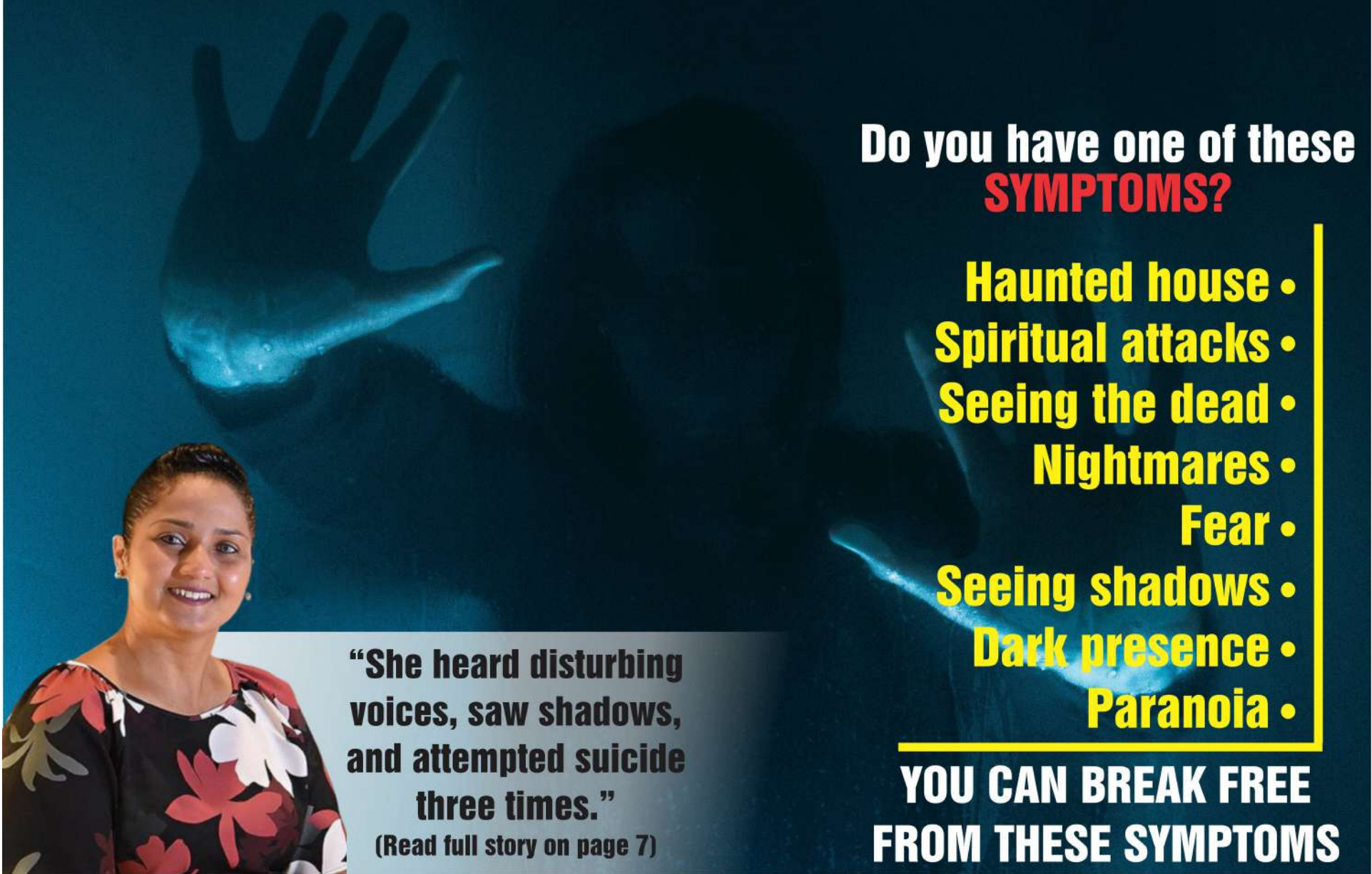




PARANORMAL ACTIVITIES

Real or figment of your imagination?



“She heard disturbing voices, saw shadows, and attempted suicide three times.”
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Do you have one of these **SYMPTOMS?**

- Haunted house
- Spiritual attacks
- Seeing the dead
- Nightmares
- Fear
- Seeing shadows
- Dark presence
- Paranoia

YOU CAN BREAK FREE FROM THESE SYMPTOMS

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PARANORMAL ACTIVITY

The word "paranormal" is often used to describe experiences or events that seem unusual or unnatural. Those who experience paranormal events attribute them to being supernatural. In many cases, these experiences cannot be explained by scientific means. Experiences include seeing shadows, hearing voices, feeling something choke or assault them as they sleep, having chilly sensations, objects moving on their own in their house, etc.

Although many think evil spirits are fairy tales, in reality, evil spirits and spiritual attacks are real and exist, and those who experience such events can testify to this. Unfortunately, thousands of people have these experiences and suffer in silence due to fear of seeming crazy. No one may believe you, but we do.

Are you a victim of paranormal activities? Has the constant presence and attack of evil entities taken away your peace? Have you been a victim of witchcraft? Do you suffer from depression, nervousness, insomnia, migraines, hear voices, are overcome by fear, or suffer from a disease doctors cannot diagnose? I have news for you, dear reader: there is a way to break free! But only spiritual weapons can overcome evil spirits. Discover these spiritual weapons on Fridays at 7 AM, 10 AM, 4 PM, and 7 PM at The Universal Church. Give us a call today to find a location near you.

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

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Bishop Edir Macedo



KNOW YOUR ENEMY

To reach a goal, you must first know it. The more you know about it, the higher the chance of achieving it. To defeat an enemy, you must first learn their weapons and techniques. It is done at the beginning of a war.

Victory over evil depends on the knowledge of his weapons. Without a doubt, doubt is the devil's number one weapon. He doesn't care about what we think or don't think. Doctrines, denominations, traditions, customs, and everything else make no difference to him. In fact, all these things help them distract Christians from the faith. Their goal is to neutralize the action of living faith since it is the only weapon capable of overcoming them. It is not an emotional faith but a conscious one.

One day, someone called me to the house of a desperate mother. Her daughter was demon-possessed, and no one could cast out those demons. Though she was an active member of another church, the mother used the Bible to try to deliver the young woman. But the entities, using the girl's body, laughed and mocked the woman and others who were also there.

She had done everything to cast out the demons. She used anointed oil, the Name of Jesus, and everything else available to her, yet nothing helped. Feeling tired, she finally decided to call us. And we arrived near dawn. To my surprise, there was shredded paper all over the room. Her old Bible had

"The only weapon capable of overcoming all hell is a faith that is assumed and practiced.."



been made into confetti. God was honored after I used the Lord's authority, and the devil was humiliated.

The lesson learned here was that the only weapon capable of overcoming all hell is faith, which is assumed and practiced. The Bible, the oil, and the simple use of the Name of Jesus do not guarantee victory. It takes more! You have to use the authority of the Lord Jesus in His Holy Name!

You cannot confront the devil in the material realm but in the spiritual one. And the Christian has to be in the spirit to overcome him! The devil knows very well when we are in faith or not. He knows when we express an emotional faith or a rational one. With emotive faith, we act according to circumstances. With rational or conscious faith, we act according to God's promises.

To evil, when we use intelligent faith, our bodies are like a flame of fire. (Psalm 104.4) There is no result when there is no conscious faith, spirit, or fire in the confession of the Name of Jesus.



Esperanza Lagunas was a victim of paranormal activities from a very young age. At the age of 4, she had her first encounter with evil entities that would harass her. Whenever she entered her home, she would feel a strange presence. During this time, she lived with his grandmother. At night, when she'd go to the bathroom, she could hear the

I OVERCAME PARANORMAL ACTIVITIES

sounds of what appeared to be a woman breaking down in tears, but when she looked around, she saw no one.

As time went by, the paranormal activities in Esperanza's life continued. The feeling of evil presence and shadows hidden behind the walls of her home became more and more disturbing. There were repeated occasions in which she could hear and even see these negative spirits that kept her veiled and robbed her of peace at night.

Esperanza lived in constant fear of running into these paranormal entities. She couldn't understand why, but everything pointed to the fact

that the house where she lived was being controlled by its former and deceased owner.

But thanks to the mercy and will of God, Esperanza Lagunas got the opportunity to know the Universal Church. Through making her chain of prayers for deliverance on Fridays and receiving strong prayers, she overcame the paranormal activities and is now free from all evil entities that had tormented her life since she was a child. She now has peace and can sleep very well at night. When she encountered the Holy Spirit, He uprooted all paranormal torments that plagued her life.

DIVINE WATER

“HEALED FROM A BONE TUMOR.”



Isabella was diagnosed with a bone tumor, seriously affecting her arm, which weakened and could break at any moment. She underwent intensive treatment, nine hospitalizations, and the use of strong medication.

In the face of this situation, Isabella’s mother, Daiane, decided to act on her faith. While her daughter was undergoing medical treatment, she participated in the Chain of Prayer. Remarkably, Isabella’s arm

began to move. Shortly afterward, Isabella achieved what she had been looking for: the complete restoration of her health.

“I WOKE UP BLIND IN ONE EYE.”

I couldn’t see with my left eye, and that was all doctors knew at that point. I went to bed and woke up like this. They found out I was bleeding in the back of my eye.

I was initially afraid but learned to tackle the problem in this ministry by faith. Now, I am completely healed.

-Lauren Marshall



Learn to apply your faith in order to face your challenges!

GET YOUR DIVINE WATER EVERY SUNDAY at your nearest Universal Church

If you have received a challenging diagnosis, exercise your faith.

The Universal Church warns that you should never ignore medical treatment.



|Message|

BISHOP JOSHUA

THE TERRORS OF NIGHT



The symptoms may be different for everyone who faces these problems. Sleepless nights, nightmares, insomnia, sleepwalking, fear, seeing shadows, hearing voices.

The list of terrors in the night goes on and on. But the result is the same: despair.

“He brought them out of darkness and the shadow of death, and broke their chains in pieces.”

Psalms 107:14

What chains have been wrapped around you at night? What are you terrified of?

No matter what it may be, God can bring you out of that darkness. He can break the chains that have been attacking you at night. Darkness is no match for the light of God.

Perhaps you have been living in darkness. It has brought you nothing but fear and terror. Let the light enter your life. Take God’s hand and let Him lead you out of this darkness. Cry out to Him. Tell Him your terrors, and let Him break your chains and set you free.

May the God of the Bible bless you!

IF YOU ARE A VICTIM OF:

Sleepless nights

Nightmares

Fear of the dark

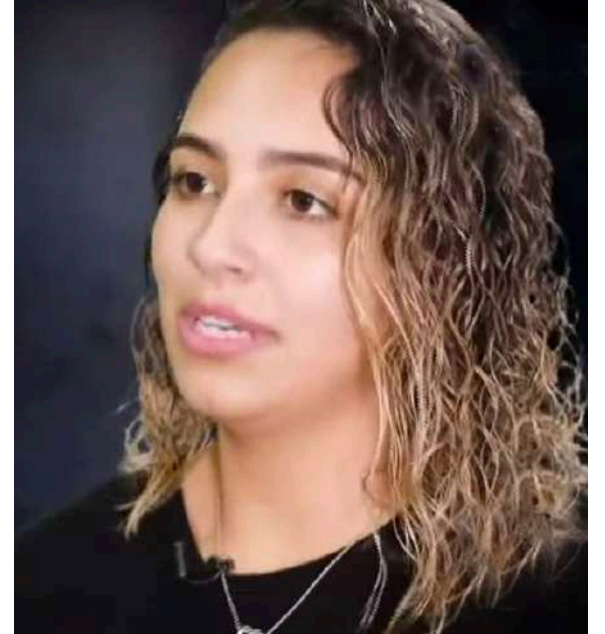
Hearing Voices

Paranormal activities

**Join the Chain of Prayer for total deliverance
This Friday at a Universal Church near you!**

I EXPERIENCED NIGHTMARES EVERY NIGHT

I had a friend whose mother was a witch doctor, and we only came to find out later on. One day, she invited me to go with her to the location where she would do the rituals so that we could hang out and play with dolls. As a child, I accepted, and my mother allowed me to think



that it was nothing, but when we went, she pulled me into a room to do a ritual. From that day on, my life changed for the worse.

I became afraid, and I could never be in the room by myself in the dark; I had to always sleep with the light on every single day. I started having nightmares every night. Whenever I went to the bathroom, I would see a dead woman in the bathtub, all bloody; I was living in fear and without any peace. My mom started to see my behavior change, and I told her everything that was happening to me since I had a good relationship with her.

My mother knew about the work of the church. Upon hearing my story, she knew that my problem was spiritual. To be free, I needed to go to church and participate in the chain of prayers on Friday for deliverance. As time went by, my problem got worse. I would hear voices to harm myself and end it all, and at one point, I had a knife in my hands; I didn’t know what I was doing, but, by the mercy of God, something happened that I heard like a voice saying for me to walk away, which I did.

My lowest point was when my mother had a problem, and when we went to the hospital, she was told to stay there on observation. When she fell asleep, everything returned to me, and I cried to God and asked for His help. I started to go back to church and, this time, to take it seriously since I was going now and then but never took anything seriously. I then started my chain of prayer for my total deliverance; I wanted to have a real relationship with God. From the moment I started taking things seriously and making the chain of prayer, I started seeing changes in my life. I didn’t have any nightmares anymore; I received my total deliverance. I was no longer fearful nor suicidal; my desire now is to live and spread the gospel and show everyone that suicide is not the answer. If someone is going through the same problems that I used to face, I want you to know that there is a God out there who can help you and rescue you as He did in my life. You don’t have to go through life alone.

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SHOWDOWN OF FAITH IN SURINAME

History

Suriname is the smallest independent country in South America. The country can be divided into two main geographic regions located on the Guiana Plateau. The northern coastal area, formed by plains, is where the largest cultivated areas are recorded and where most of the population lives. The southern part is made up of tropical forest and savannah, in addition to being sparsely inhabited, along the border with Brazil, covering around 80% of Suriname's land surface. The country is situated between France (French Guiana) to the east and Guyana to the west. The southern border is shared with Brazil, and the northern border is the Atlantic coast. The country's population is estimated at just under 600 thousand people.

Population

According to the official 2012 census, the most numerous groups are made up of Hindustanis (27.4%) and Maroons (21.7%), who form six distinct tribal peoples: Boni, Kwinti, Matawai, Ndjuka, Paramaka, Saramaka. Creoles 15.7% and 13.7%, respectively; almost the same percentage of mestizos (13.4%). The indigenous peoples (Akurió, Lokono, Kalin'a, Tiriyo, and Wayana) represent 3.7% of the total population; the Chinese are 1.4%, and whites (mainly descendants of Dutch and Sephardic Jews) 0.3%. Brazilian immigrants make up 0.9% of the country's inhabitants.

Language

The Dutch language, or Dutch, is the official language of Suriname, which joined the Dutch Language Union in 2004. It is the most widespread, being the first language of more than 60% of the inhabitants. As the Surinamese population is very diverse, the languages also have ethnicities: Javanese speak Javanese and Indonesian; Hindustanis speak Sarnami-Hindi (Surinamese Hindi), and Amerindians use their original languages (from the Caribbean and Arawak linguistic trunks). The Maroons have their own languages, Aucano (a Creole language with an English lexical base spoken by the Ndjuka, Boni, Paramaka, and Kwinti) and Saramacano (a Creole with an Anglo-Portuguese lexical base spoken by the Saramaka and the Matawai). Amid linguistic diversity, Sranantongo or Surinamese (an English lexical-based Creole language with influences from Dutch, Portuguese, and

African languages) functions as a lingua franca and is widely disseminated in the country as a second language, being spoken by 37% of the population. English is also widely used, mainly in tourism-oriented facilities and border areas with Guyana. Latin American residents and their descendants primarily speak Portuguese and Spanish for commercial reasons. They are sometimes also taught in schools. On the country's eastern border with French Guiana, there are also many French speakers.

Culture

Culture involves craftsmanship, biography, cyberculture, cinema, sport, entertainment, folklore, gastronomy, hobbies, games, mysticism, mythology, occultism, religion, and tourism. The country's ethnic mix is evident in the people's religious beliefs. The biggest influences come from Christian customs, although there are strong traces of Hinduism.

Biggest problems

The country's biggest problems are spiritual. Hereditary curses, family disagreements, fights, relationship problems, promiscuity, and prostitution. The occult is seen as a culture, so rituals are regular. So many suffer spiritual attacks, don't sleep well, and suffer health problems and addictions.

Date and time the inauguration took place

The inauguration of the national headquarters of the Universal Church in Suriname took place on Wednesday, October 18, 2023, at 6 p.m. About 1985 attendees filled the inside and outside of the church.

The building was an old theater, so a complete renovation needed to be done, from installing the ceiling to restoring electrical cables and preparing the walls and floors. It was a great challenge for us to be able to build in the standard way that the church requires, so it was an arduous process that, in the end, was worth seeing the result.

The new church is already having an impact on the country. Even though the opening was during the week, people arrived early. Some people spent the night at the door of the new temple, as they came from another district and did not want to miss this life-changing opportunity. People of various religions, races, cultures, and dialects came searching for a single goal: their miracle.

The people who were present were reached through evangelization work and also through the media. Universal in Suriname recently started its television channel, LFN (Living Faith Network), which has reached out to thousands of people who participate daily in our programs, and the testimonials there attract their attention.

How was the opening?

The beginning of the inauguration meeting was very evangelistic; many were healed instantly; others who were carrying a burden and depression were also freed immediately. The most significant part of the Grand opening was the words Bishop Joshua shared with everyone.

"These are the generations of Noah. Noah was a righteous and perfect man in his generations; Noah walked with God." Genesis 6:9

"Then the Lord said unto Noah, Go thou and all thy house into the ark: for I have seen that thou art righteous before me in this generation." Genesis 7:1

The Bishop emphasized that we are living in the last minutes, not in the last hours or days, but in the last minutes. The people in Noah's time did not expect the flood, and when it came, it took them all, except Noah and his family, because he walked with God.

He ended the sermon by saying: "If we walk with Jesus, we walk towards the kingdom of Heaven."

The national headquarters of the Universal Church is located at 49 Frederik Derbystraat St., Paramaribo - Suriname.





PARANORMAL ACTIVITY

We have all heard stories of people having paranormal experiences: seeing shadows, hearing voices, feeling something choke them as they sleep, having chilly sensations, etc. But are all these stories “make-believe”? What if the stories we heard were true and evil spirits were real? Well, dear reader, the truth is that evil spirits and spiritual attacks exist. Those who experience such events and attacks can testify to this.

Many people are afraid to speak about their paranormal experiences because no one would believe them if they did. They would look crazy. But they are not; thousands of people have had similar experiences.

Right now, thousands of people are suffering from the following symptoms, action of evil forces:

- dark presence
- fear
- house is haunted
- nightmares
- seeing shadows
- paranoia
- seeing the dead
- spiritual attacks

Have you been going through this, having psychotic and emotional crises, or have you

witnessed a family member with one of these symptoms? Then, you or your loved one are probably experiencing spiritual disturbance - an unusual and supernatural force that dominates the person.

You don't know what to do. When a person is under the influence of an evil spirit, they do not remember anything. This force takes complete control of your life. Some family tragedies occur as a result of this.

Often, the solution that family members and medicine find is to admit the person to psychiatric and rehabilitation hospitals.

However, you must know there is a way out of all this.

What Does the Word of God Say About Spiritual Attacks?

In reality, there is a spiritual realm that we cannot see with our physical eyes. A realm in



which there is a daily battle between good and evil for our souls. The word of God says:

“Be sober, be vigilant; because your adversary, the devil, walks about like a roaring lion, seeking whom he may devour.” (1 Peter 5:8)

Evil constantly looks for lives to attack and destroy, like a lion looking for prey. Evil looks for people who are weak in their communion with God and faith. It looks for those who disobey God's voice because it knows that we are far from God's protection when we disobey Him.

How to Find Deliverance and Spiritual Protection?

The angel of the Lord encamps all around those who fear Him (Obey God), And delivers them.” (Psalms 34:7)

When there is obedience, vigilance, and a constant exercise of faith, the surprise attacks from evil become neutralized. Only spiritual weapons can overcome evil spirits. Discover these spiritual weapons on Fridays at a Universal Church near you!



Write below any symptoms of evil forces in your life and bring this with you:

"She heard disturbing voices, saw shadows, and attempted suicide three times."

The family environment in which Jaqueline grew up had all the elements for her to become an unhappy woman. At age five, she saw her father leave home because he could no longer bear the constant fights and physical attacks that occurred with his wife, Jaqueline's mother, who even tried to kill him on one of these occasions because of his addiction to alcoholic beverages. Due to her young age, Jaqueline, the last person her father spoke to, remembers that it was tough to understand why he was packing his bags, crying, and asking her to care for her mother and brothers. Then she saw him leave the house and he never came back.

And, as if this pain wasn't enough, she says that from then on, her mother became aimless and started treating her as a "lightning rod" for her frustrations. "She mistreated and beat me because I reminded her so much of my father. Given all of this, I felt like I didn't belong in that world and grew up with several disorders, including eating disorders. I was constantly nervous around my brothers and always tried to stay away from everyone. At 11, I was already depressed, cutting myself and constantly tasting blood in my mouth. I was always looking for

an opportunity to take my own life because of the emptiness and hurt I had towards my mother and life," she reveals.

Jaqueline says that the pain she carried in her soul was so great and constant that she heard disturbing voices, saw shadows, and attempted suicide three times. She defines the last attempt as the limit of despair. "I stabbed myself three times with a knife and realized it didn't work." Jaqueline states that seeing that made her even more frustrated, as she thought she wasn't fit even to kill herself.

However, what she did not realize at that time was that it was a divine deliverance. The invitation she received after this incident would reveal this: "My aunt said

I was already depressed, cutting myself and constantly tasting blood in my mouth.

there was a place where all that pain would go away, and I accepted her invitation. When I arrived at the Universal Church, I hadn't slept for three months. I couldn't take any more of those voices telling me I was worthless.



I told God I would never leave church again if I could sleep that night. I managed to sleep that day, but the greatest miracle happened inside me: the emptiness and the hurt no longer existed."

Even though she attended church, Jaqueline recognizes that it took her a while to understand that she was still missing the most important thing. Her love life problems were a clear sign of that. After marriage and two broken engagements because of cheating, she finally realizes the problem. "Although there was no more heartache or depression, I still lacked everything because I lacked the Holy Spirit. I wasted a lot of time being selfish with God. I only thought about my problems and about what I wanted and thought. So, I had a heartfelt conversation with Him. I said:

Lord, I am nothing. I understand that your will is much better than mine. Come down on me because I have nothing left to lose.' At that moment, when the Holy Spirit took over my life, nothing was the same. I knew I would never be alone again. I would drop everything for God because He is everything in my life," she concludes.



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.

WHO IS YOUR DEFENSE?

The best athletes know this term. The best way to defend oneself is always to be on the offensive and ready to avoid getting prepared. You can apply this to anything in life. Stay on your toes, and don't be caught off guard.

Spiritually speaking, this is the attitude we must all have as children of God. How can we defend ourselves? By reading and living in the word of God.

Evil thoughts will come, temptations, wrong influences, etc. The world is filled with negativity, but the word of God is our defense.

The Lord Jesus portrayed this when He overcame the devil's schemes while on earth. You may say that's hard: He is Jesus, and I am me. It was hard for Jesus, too.

He came to earth as a human; He suffered pain as you and I suffer, and He faced temptation as you and I are tempted. Jesus felt angry and sad as we think these things, etc.

Despite all that Jesus went through, He overcame. He left an example to show us that we must always be prepared for what is to come.

You can be in "defensive mode," too; it is a choice to make yourself defensive. It is like the saying Prevention is better than cure. Surround yourself with the things of God.

You will see that you can defend yourself against the devil's tactics. Be sure to pray more so that you may be able to resist the voices of negativity the enemy may try to speak to you. Jesus led by this example. He was always at His Father's foot, seeking Him's guidance.

Do you want to be released? Do you want to have your family reunited? Place your life in the hands of God, and depend on His word. The Word was His defense, and we still have access to it today.

"For the word of God is living and powerful, and sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing even to the division of soul and spirit, and of joints and marrow, and is a discerner of the thoughts and intents of the heart."

Hebrews 4:12

Perhaps you have been falling into every trap set for you, and you wonder where you have failed in your faith. Pick up your Bible today. Read it daily because it is the most essential thing you consume daily. It will set the tone for your day by refreshing

your mind.

Remember: freedom is not when you leave prison. Freedom must start within you. You do not need to be released to be free. Freedom is found when your Defense is Christ.



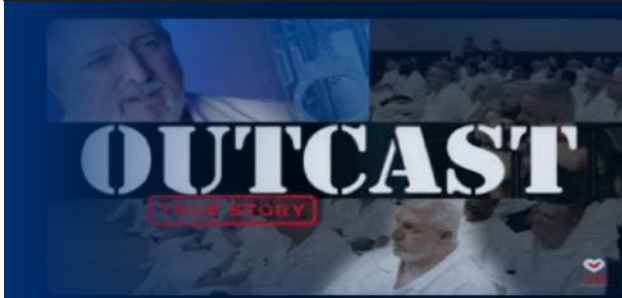
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YOU ARE NOT ALONE!

BROKEN FAMILY, ADDICTION, STEALING. WERE SOME OF THE THINGS THAT CAUSED MY LIFE TO SPIRAL OUT OF CONTROL...



My name is Michael; although physically I was alive, my family wanted to buy me a coffin, because I was heading toward death.

I was born into a terrible life; my family lived in a world of prostitution and drinking, and I witnessed a lot of physical aggression; as I grew up, I also started taking drugs and drinking.

“I stole from people and even my own family to sustain my addiction.”

However, in an attempt to change my life, I decided to go live with my father, but I was still hiding and using drugs in his home. When my father found out, he kicked me out of his home, and I had no choice but to live in a crack house.

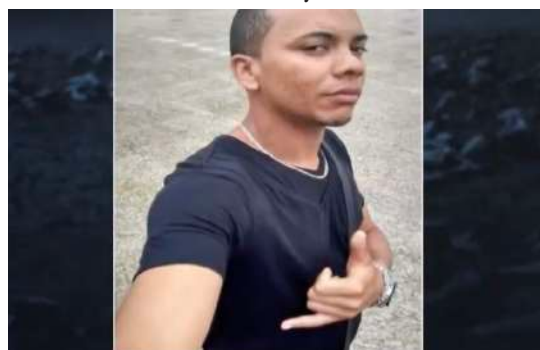
I was hopeless; the one person I thought would help me left me on the street. I was then invited to work at a brothel; I started as a waiter and was promoted to manager.

I then became the pimp, right-hand man. I thought my life was terrible because I had no money, but I became very wealthy selling drugs; I was immersed in prostitution, cocaine, gambling, and going deeper into the wrong way of life. I thought that drugs would fulfill

me, but they didn't. My love life was a mess; the same situation my parents were in happened to me. I saw myself



desperate when my girlfriend left me, and I indulged in cocaine. I was at the end of the road. I had problems with the law despite everything I was going through. I wanted to commit suicide; it seemed there was no way out. I had a lot of



women, and I would be in hotel rooms with them and still empty. The drugs led me to nothing. I worked, which led me to nothing, and the prostitution I was involved with led me to nothing. My life was nothing,

I was then invited to the Universal church by an old friend; I enjoyed going, and I had peace while attending. But then I got mad because I would go to church and do the same wrong things when I left. I then met my now-wife at a party; she suffered from migraines.

I knew the Universal Church and told her how to

overcome the headaches. She then became faithful in the church and changed her life. It caught my attention how she was different, and I returned to the church and changed my life. My life started to become fulfilled.



I decided to seek the Holy Spirit until I received Him, prioritized the things of God, and understood that without Him, I would be able to remain. The day I received the holy spirit, I became a new creature.

Today, I am a new person, no longer stealing, free from addictions. Now, the holy spirit gave me a new life. I now have peace, am happily married, a servant of God, and the Holy Spirit strengthens me and renews me daily.

I thank God for my blessed marriage and the wife I have. I tell you everything you are seeking in this world will not fulfill you. However, when a person surrenders their life to God, really and truly, He will fill you with His presence.

I give God a chance. If things have changed for me, they can also change for you.



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After all, what does it mean to be a tither?

Some names are known worldwide, such as William Colgate, founder of the company Colgate, and Henry Crowell, founder of Quaker, recognized that the secret to the success of their companies to this day lies in the faithfulness of their tithes to God. But, when talking about tithing, it is inevitable not to notice discontent on the faces of many people unaware of its true meaning. However, many do not know or ignore that the act of giving tithe does not correspond only to the attitude of returning a tenth of your earnings to God. And honestly, if it were just that, it would be easy. Being a tither, in fact, means putting God first in everything.

In Proverbs 3:9-10 it is written: “Honor the Lord with your possessions and with the first fruits of all your income, and your barns will be filled with plenty, and your presses will overflow with wine.” The detail that makes the difference in this biblical passage is the word “first fruits.”

By definition, it means the first and best part of something. Therefore, giving the first fruits of everything to God – which includes not only material value – shows honor to Him and reveals Who is most important. “Being a tither means putting Him as a priority in everything, leaving Him at the top of the agenda. For example, pray and read the Bible first thing in the morning. It’s putting Him first in your thoughts and time, placing Him above everything and everyone.”

Joseph Melo can relate to this and tells his story.

Since he was seven years old, he had to work hard when he lost his father. However, the money he earned was never enough to meet the family’s needs. “From the age of 7 to 19, I was the man of the house, and I gave my mother what I earned to help her. I moved to a new town with the intention of having a better life. But I continued to suffer a lot. I lived in a room that I shared with rats and fleas. I suffered hunger and a lot of humiliation, and I cried because I missed my family.” Joseph received countless invitations to attend the services at The Universal Church when he passed by the church or was invited by evangelists where he lived. So, after seven years, he

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“It sounds strange to be second, doesn’t it? However, it is only in this position that it is possible to depend exclusively on the Creator to have the life you have always dreamed of – and more than that, for His plans to come true. And this dependence is expressed through faithfulness in tithes.”

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accepted one of these invitations. “I arrived at the church; I felt like a failure and wishing to die.

I knew it was my last chance to find the solution.” He heard the pastor teach that being a tithe-payer meant being faithful to God in all things. “I made God first in my life, and still do today because without Him, I am nothing.” His loyalty to God also led him to be honest in everything. It did not exempt him from facing difficulties. However, all of them only reinforced in him the certainty that a partnership with God never fails.

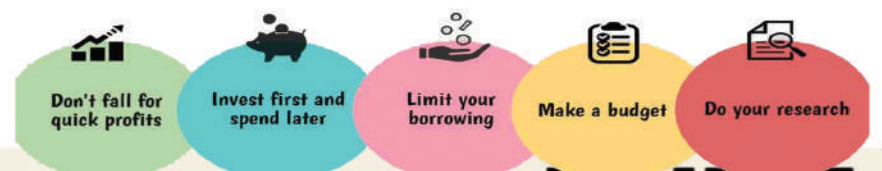
Encouraged by faith and believing that even without studies, God would guide him, Joseph opened his company in the construction industry. At that point, he was already married. He tells how he did not give up: “We went through difficulties to the point of only having eggs to eat, but we never stopped being faithful to God in little or much, believing that everything would to the point of only having eggs to eat, but we never stopped being faithful to God in little or much, believing that everything would pass and that great things God had prepared for us. When we received our first client, I had to walk more than 3 miles with two employees because I didn’t have money for transportation,” he remembers.

That was when a large construction company hired Arnaldo’s company, and the work increased. He admits that fear arose, but he had confidence that God would not forsake him, and that was greater. “I believed in the wisdom God gave me; the greater the struggle, the greater the victory. I depended on God and saw a problem,

but I focused on Him, who is greater than any problem I would face.” Today, Joseph’s company has 26 employees, including an engineer. His company is prospering, and by prioritizing the Holy Spirit, he celebrates a solid marriage of more than two decades. “In my home, there is love and affection. I always try to remember where God took me from and not think I already know everything or am anything. I always want to have Him first in my life and always place myself as a servant, not a master,” he concludes.



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