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EXODUS 33:15

When friends surrounded me, I seemed happy, but when I got home, I was afraid and sank deeper into addictions. (Full story on page 7)



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Bishop Edir Macedo

Without form and void



This time, **The Fast of Daniel** will focus on what is written in Exodus 33:11. The goal is to help each person to (re)build this relationship of intimacy with the Most High in order to enjoy His Presence.

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Campaign of Israel on Mount Sinai

Everything we conquer with God is achieved through faith that is exercised and put into practice. It doesn't make sense to know the Word of God and His promises without seeing the benefits in one's life or their fulfillment. Neither does it make sense for someone to profess faith without the courage to act upon it. Only when we put faith into action it becomes alive and causes changes and great things to happen.

God was already on Mount Sinai when Moses decided to make an effort to climb it. He was waiting for Moses to sacrifice to ascend the mountain to meet Him. In return, He blessed Moses with His presence and guaranteed the Children of Israel the promised land. But Moses had to sacrifice.

A sacrifice demonstrates a robust and unshakable belief in something or someone. It is different from just believing in God's Word and doing good in the world. It is an act of total surrender and trust. It establishes communion between the giver and their God as the giver demonstrates their total dependence on the Lord. The giver will attain not just blessings beyond their imagination, but above all, an intimate relationship with Him through the presence of the Holy Spirit Himself within them.

This is the purpose of the Campaign of Israel at Mount Sinai that is taking place at every Universal Church nationwide. It is for those who want to possess not just the "promised land" but desire to receive the "promised presence," the Holy Spirit, for inner and complete change. God is the same today as He was in the past and still honors those who act upon His word with faith through sacrifice. If you would like to participate or get more information, visit a local branch near today or call us.

| BEATING DEPRESSION |

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

Stripped

God didn't call just any man to deliver Israel out of Egypt; He called Moses; A man who possessed Egyptian culture, the military knowledge acquired in Egypt, and all the wisdom and knowledge that Egyptian wealth and power provided. All these abilities had and have relevant value to the world but not to God and His purposes.

If Moses had used his knowledge and strategies in war and allied himself with other people for this purpose, he would certainly not have been able to free the enslaved people. It had to be with God's ability, received at Sinai.

Now we understand the meaning of God's first words to Moses: "Take off your sandals..." That is, you have to strip yourself of your knowledge, of the acquired culture, of human wisdom, of the concepts of the world in which you live, and put on My will, My direction, My word.

There are certain things to solve and conquer that our wisdom, culture, concept, diverse resources, and, above all, religiosity can never bring the solution; it will never lead us to conquer. Like Moses, we have to strip ourselves, listening to the Voice of faith, the call of God.

This Voice of faith, the call of God, is always accompanied by the request for a sacrifice that, in turn, contradicts the culture of the world, human wisdom, knowledge acquired in a university, and family ties and generates internal conflicts.

Let's look at some examples:

- To Abraham, God pleaded, "Get out of your country, from your kindred, and your father's house, and go to a land that I will show you yet." Later, the same Voice asked him to sacrifice his son, Isaac.
- For Abel, the Voice of Faith asked for the sacrifice of his first animal.
- For Gideon, this Voice asked for his father's second ox.
- For Hannah, the Voice of Faith asked her first son, Samuel, to serve God.
- For Zacchaeus, the Voice of Faith asked for the sacrifice of half of his possessions and the restitution quadrupled of what he had stolen from the people.
- For Mary, this Voice asked for pouring a vase of the most



precious perfume on the feet of Jesus.

- For Peter, the Voice of Faith asked him to give up his work, the wonderful catch he had just done, and become a fisher of souls.

All of these heard the call, so they were chosen by God, chosen for His purposes. Through them, God did wonders and wonders. God marked these men's and women's lives, for they saw the wonders of the Most High, enjoyed the promises, and conquered what wisdom, culture, and knowledge could never give them.

Friend, take the sandals off your feet. Whoever wants to climb Sinai has to leave behind their degrees, experience, wisdom, religiosity, fame, culture, family ties, etc. You have to be stripped down to go up! IT'S A SACRIFICE!!

When Moses came down from Sinai, he came down differently. God Himself now empowered him to overcome what was once the greatest power in the world, "Egypt." What Moses could never do with his resources, he could do with the God he met at Sinai.

You will achieve what you could never achieve by your or the resources of this life if you ascend Sinai totally stripped down!

Make the SACRIFICE that the Voice of Faith asks of you, heed God's call, and become a chosen one! Exchange your ability for God's ability; exchange the world's ability for God's one.



Maria Bezerra has had a life of great suffering since her childhood. She struggled with health problems, losses, and depression. Read her story of deliverance.

Maria Bezerra was born unable to breathe. Less than a month after her birth, doctors discovered she had asthma. "My childhood was harrowing. Since I was a baby, I suffered from asthma. When I was less than one month old, I had a very severe attack in which I stopped breathing completely. I had to receive cardiopulmonary resuscitation to come back to life and start breathing again. As a child, I suffered from paranormal activity. I saw figures and heard voices; I lived amid disturbance. If that wasn't enough, my parents also saw evil

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shadows and even talked to them," she said.

When everything no longer seemed to make sense, another problem took over the family: losing a family member. "My sister died when she was just five years old. It caused a lot of pain to the family. I moved away from home as a teenager, but when I got older, I moved back to my hometown, began working, married, and had children. But my husband mistreated me, and we ended up separating. I raised my children alone. I felt very empty and sad due to that situation. I looked at my past and couldn't deal with more loss and suffering. I remarried but still had problems in my marriage and got divorced. It was then that the emptiness I felt in my soul became even worse," said Maria.

Emptiness in the soul exists in those who have not yet known God or received his Spirit. That's why so many people live looking for a reason to live. They get married, separate, and achieve things, but they still wish to be fulfilled. The only one who fills our being is the Holy Spirit.

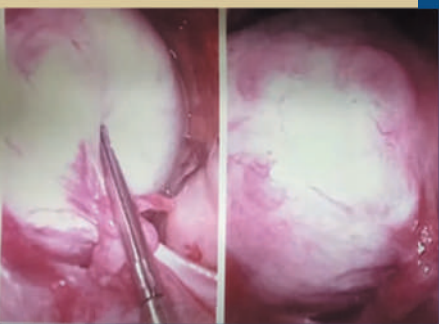
"I got very sick and thought about dying, but I didn't dare to take my life because I knew that my children needed me. My rock bottom was the day I had nothing to give my children to eat. Around this time, I received an invitation to come to the Universal church, but I had many doubts due to the fake news about the church. Even so, I went to church and made a vow to God that day. God answered me that very same day. I received payment for a job I had done and was waiting for, and a friend also made a purchase and asked for it to be delivered to my home. From then, my life started to move forward. I started seeing things work out for me. I later moved to the United States and remained connected with the church. I participated in the deliverance meetings and got delivered from all evil. I understood the importance of the Holy Spirit and decided to surrender and seek Him with all my strength. I prayed at dawn, made resolutions, and got the answer. Today, I have the most precious asset anyone can have, which is the presence of God within my being, and I am a new woman," she concluded happily.

DIVINE WATER



“DOCTORS DIAGNOSED ME WITH CANCER AT THE AGE OF FOUR.”

At the age of 4, they found out that I had cancer in my ovary. It was shocking because I was little and had this disease. Doctors said this is common only among adults. My mother came to the Universal Church and used her faith on my behalf. The pastors also went to the hospital to pray for me.



Pictures of Jenifer's ovary before (left), and after (right).

When we went for one of my checkups, the doctor found nothing. The doctor told my mother to continue attending this church because it worked. I am healed!



Four-year-old Jenifer in the hospital.



“THE BACK PAINS ARE GONE”

I had terrible back pains. I didn't know where the pain came from; I even started telling others about it. With my decision to start attending services in this ministry, I learned about the Divine water and followed the instructions. Eventually, the back pains left my body. I can even see more properly today after using the Divine water.



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

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

FIRST THINGS FIRST



Have you had this experience with someone who only remembers you in their time of trouble or needs? Once your phone rings and you see that name, you know they are in danger or need something from you.

If we are human beings and recognize such a person, don't you think God identifies the same thing? And how do you think He feels about it? Of course, God is merciful and comes to the aid of many who only call upon Him when they need help. But this kind of person will only receive the crumbs (little blessings) and never the bread (the true miracles).

If you put God first, then He will put you first. As the Bible mentions: **"But seek first the kingdom of God and His righteousness, and all these things shall be added to you."** (Matthew 6:33)

Many only remember God when they are in trouble and fall into the pit. Then they say, "Oh my God, help me." But by then, it's too late. When they were okay, they didn't remember God.

I advise you to do something different this time. Start making simple changes to show God you are putting Him first. For example, before doing anything, talk with God through prayer first thing in the morning. Spare some time to read His Word daily (the only true way to know Him). Prioritize Him above your spouse, children, job, hobbies, and everything else.

I'm not telling you to become religious, but I'm telling you to put "first things first," as they say. Just like in life, we all put our priorities first. Make your relationship with God your number one priority. If you are willing to do it, I can guarantee you that you will have a great year and a great life.

And if you need a bonus, you will also gain eternal life. May the God of the Bible bless you.

SEEK FIRST THE KINGDOM OF GOD...

Have you ever fought for something that seemed impossible to achieve? Those who fought and won know that victory does not come without sacrifice. The same goes for faith. What's the point of knowing it exists if you don't use it correctly? The Campaign of Israel is like an "Olympics of Faith." Many make dreams come true and solve problems, while others fail. Those who have not yet won have not understood what "their everything" was, which they should leave on the Altar. This story shows where Aline (picture below) went wrong before realizing the truth..



I was a member of the Universal Church for some time. I always wanted to change my professional reality, so I put that and other things ahead of what I should pursue. When the campaign of Israel came up, I took it as an opportunity to receive my dream, which was a financial blessing because I wanted this blessing so much. On the day of the campaign, I left work, put my whole salary in the envelope, and placed it on the altar, requesting God to bless my financial life.

My 'everything' in this campaign was actually 'more than everything,' as I did extra work, sold desserts, and did other things to sacrifice even more financially. My biggest mistake was thinking this was the true sacrifice God wanted from me.

I had set professional goals and wanted to make my dreams come true with good intentions. However, even though I gave my financial sacrifice, I realized that something more important was missing; I hadn't put the most important thing as a sacrifice on the altar, which was myself. I allowed my earthly goals to be in the first place.

I knew what was needed to give myself entirely to God. How could I sacrifice myself to God if I didn't have the Holy Spirit? I began to want His Spirit more than anything, and when the next Campaign of Israel came up, I didn't even think about the other things I wanted so much; I only wanted to have the Spirit of God inside me.

A biblical passage caught my attention: 'But seek first the kingdom of God and His righteousness, and all these things will be added to you' (Matthew 6:33). Even without realizing it, I disobeyed this teaching.

I decided to put that Bible verse into practice and seek the Holy Spirit in my life. When I did that, The Word in the Bible materialized in my life. By prioritizing the Holy Spirit, all those dreams I had been anxious for came true after I decided to put God first. God gave me His Spirit, the most vital blessing in my life. On top of that, my life is also filled with blessings, including professionally.

My job fulfills me, but my objective has changed; God is first in my life. My life glorified God at work, and everyone who sees me thinks this was my request in the Campaign of Israel. However, this results from putting God first; He adds everything else we need. All the blessings are great, but nothing compares to having the Holy Spirit in me.

Aline Mello

What's happening at the Universal Church...



Wandile and his depended on handouts from good Samaritans after his father was retrenched from a job after 40 years. His father had worked and lived in Johannesburg, while his mother took care of Wandile and his other siblings in the homelands.

“My father sent us money by month-end so my mother could buy food and other things we needed. We lacked nothing, even though my father was the only one working. However, life became an uphill battle when my father left work. He was forced to come back home and without an income. Life became difficult for us. My mother had to take on underpaying jobs to make ends meet,” said Wandile.

His mother cleaned houses, but her salary was insufficient for their needs. “This was the lowest point of our lives. We sometimes did not have food in the house, and she could not afford to buy us new clothes. We lived on handouts from our relatives and neighbors. We lived in that situation for almost six years until my father received his old age social security payments,” said Wandile.

Wandile left his hometown and moved to Cape Town in search of greener pastures. However, life went differently than planned. He struggled to find a permanent job for almost two years.

“I only relied on temporary jobs. I later moved to Johannesburg, but things did not

In search of a better life

get any easier. I stayed with my relatives and depended on them financially. I later got a job as a security guard, and things improved as I could take care of myself,” he said.

One day, he saw the church’s program on TV, and the testimonies caught his attention. He then decided to attend services at the Universal Church because he wanted God to change his life just as He had done for those he saw on the church’s program. Wandile not only had financial problems, but he also suffered from ulcers.

“I went to many doctors and many places in search of healing. I tried all I could, but none of that healed me,” he said.

A pastor in the church advised him to make a Chain of Prayer for his life to change. He began attending the Monday services for his finances to improve and the Tuesday service for his healing. “I trusted in God and believed in His miracles and that my life would change,” he said.

“That same year, the Campaign of Israel was introduced, and even though I had no in-depth understanding of the Campaign, I still took part. God honored my faith. The following year, I got a job as a police officer, and God continued to show His power in my life,” he said.

Wandile met his wife, Ncumisa, in the church, and they got married after dating for one year. They were blessed with a daughter. His finances improved, and he was able to buy himself a car. “In 2020, I was promoted to a sergeant. But out of everything that God has blessed me with, nothing surpasses the presence of God, the Holy Spirit, in my life. Without Him, I can do nothing. The peace I have inside of me is inexplicable,” - Wandile.

Many have come to believe that miracles don't exist. But here, at the Universal Church, there are countless stories of people who have witnessed miracles in their lives. Problems that seemed impossible to overcome and situations considered lost cases were drastically transformed through an act of faith - a sacrifice made on the Altar of God.

Are you in need of a miracle? Do you desire an inner change? The campaign of Israel at Mount Sinai is for you? It is an opportunity to put your faith into action and see the fire of God come down and transform your life from the inside out. Visit a branch near you to learn how you can experience a miracle through the power of faith, too.

I Gave up My Rotten Life



For a long time, Sandra Maria desired a new life but thought it would be impossible to achieve it. See how Sandra’s life transformed from a life of shame to a life of honor.

“I was born and raised on a farm. I worked in the fields and only studied until fourth grade,” she recalls. As a child, she also suffered from seizures, which limited her. In addition, her parents needed to spend their income on the treatment of her illness.

At 19, Sandra became involved with a married man and got pregnant. It was the beginning of a love life marked by disappointments. “I received an offer to become a prostitute. At that time, I thought that, in addition to being able to offer the best to my son, men would no longer use me for free. But I soon became very frustrated.”

Sandra’s suffering multiplied. “I felt an emptiness inside of me. I was disgusted with myself and had constant nightmares. At night, I would feel as if I was being suffocated. I had insomnia, headaches, panic syndrome, and complexes.”

Maria also felt unappreciated by her family: “I lost my two brothers in an accident, and my mother said it was better if I had died in their place. I couldn’t keep my commitments and lied a lot. I kept hiding from who I was. Faced with so much rottenness, I thought I couldn’t be forgiven, and all was lost.”

Sandra had grown tired of being who she was. One day, after receiving an eviction order to leave the house where she lived, she saw the Universal Church program on TV. “At the church, I saw a testimony of life transformation, and the Pastor said that God could also transform mine. Right away, I made a vow to God that I would stop being a prostitute and have a new life with Him. I was at rock bottom, and that’s when God appeared to me.” Sandra says she arrived at the Universal Church and surrendered at the Altar. “I gave up my rotten life in exchange for everything God promised to give me. As time passed, I got to know God and received His forgiveness and the Holy Spirit. God made me a new woman.”

Sandra’s life changed again through the sacrifice in the Campaign of Israel. “I became a successful woman. I now have two clinics, cars, and land. Today, I am respected and valued by my family.

- Sandra



FROM 19 NOVEMBER TO 10 DECEMBER

FAST of DANIEL

BEFORE THE FACE OF GOD



"And the Lord spoke to Moses face to face, as a man speaks to his friend (...)" (Exodus 33:11). How long has it been since you talked to God intimately? How long has it been since you heard Him speak like a friend speaks to you?

Every day, the human being's routine is more chaotic, with tons of information being poured in minute by minute and countless distractions appearing in each person's life. There are news, social networks, series, current and fake news distributed via social media, gossip about celebrities – in addition to all the bills to pay, family problems, overwork, home care, etc. Bombarded by all this, dedicating themselves to spiritual life becomes challenging. It is even more difficult to listen to what God says to them. Currently, taking care of your relationship with God requires effort and attention. Still, not everyone realizes this – on the contrary, many allow an abyss to be created between them and the Almighty.

This distance between Creator and creature generates a feeling of

incompleteness in human beings. The lack of intimacy with God causes a lack of peace, serenity, and even hope and strength to win daily battles, as Bishop Renato Cardoso explained: "The reason for people to feel so far from God and so empty, so lost is because of the information of this life takes them over, the information from here below."

Because of this, it is necessary to abstain from all the information that society pushes into

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each person's mind – information that mostly does not bring anything good. Thus, between November 19th and December 10th, the Universal Church will campaign to favor this mental and spiritual hygiene: the Fast of Daniel.

What is the Fast of Daniel? This period of 21 days "is

a fast of information so that we can dedicate more time to God's thoughts." In several biblical passages, God guides human beings to strengthen communion with Him, even if this makes man move away from what is worldly. "That is to say, God tells us to immerse ourselves in His Word, but who does that today? Today, we are immersed in information from the world, especially on the internet," he says.

This time, The Daniel

Fast will focus on what is written in Exodus 33.11. The goal is to help each person (re)build this intimate relationship with the Almighty to enjoy His Presence. It is good to clarify that God never stops speaking to each person. Still, it is each person's choice to dedicate their attention to the excessive noise that the world makes

or to the Voice that comes from Above. By closing one's ears and eyes to everything dispensable, one can focus on the Voice of God and then listen to what He has to say, as one would listen to a friend – and, in this case, not a friend: any, but one more than extraordinary.

This way, "you will leave what is unnecessary, and the time that will be left you will invest in meditating on the Word of God, on biblical content. You will stay tuned to church meetings. You will pray more, fast, talk to people of faith about matters of faith, and read Christian books; in short, you will invest in your spiritual life for 21 days. And then you will see what will happen in your life." And for those who don't yet have the Holy Spirit, this is the ideal chance to have Him.

Perhaps you have heard about the Holy Spirit but still don't understand why He is necessary. Bishop Edir Macedo reinforces that the Holy Spirit is the Spirit of Faith that leads everyone to truth and justice. According to him, many are lost and suffocated by doubts because they do not

have Him as an Instructor on Earth and as a Guide to Salvation. "The Holy Spirit is the mind of God; He is the One who leads us to faith. Without Him, we can't be saved", he says.

"Living in this world and maintaining faith without the Holy Spirit is impossible because He is the truth, and only He can direct us. Upon receiving the Holy Spirit, the person will be sealed, stamped, and untouchable because He is their protector and guide, guarding them from all evil", adds Bishop.

However, to have this miracle in your life, there must be a total and spiritual surrender to the Altar of God, which will bring you peace, wisdom, and faith. "He is the One who speaks and convinces about right and wrong. And that is why He is fundamental to our Salvation, as He enlightens us and gives us the direction we need", concludes Bishop Macedo.

Visit the Universal Church closest to you today and start getting closer to God as soon as possible so that, ultimately, you can hear him face to face.

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Everything we want and need is not far from God but close to Him. Everything we need for life (direction, health, protection, answers) we find in the presence of God and not far from Him. Therefore, we must get closer to Him to achieve something from God. This is the Spirit of this purpose. It is a purpose of prayer and meditation on the Word of God."

How God reveals Himself to those interested: "Then the Lord said to Moses, Come up to Me on the mountain, and stay there; and I will give you the tables of stone, and the law, and the commandments that I have written, to teach them" Exodus 24:12

"This invitation from God for Moses to climb the mountain is the invitation that God himself is making to people who want to hear His voice. God wanted to talk to Moses but couldn't talk to him down there, where he was in the middle of people's problems. To speak to Moses, He needed to take Moses from among those people to an isolated place so that he could hear his voice. And this is exactly the purpose of the 'Journey of Faith' and the 'Daniel Fast'."

In the past, God spoke, but not everyone could hear Him because to hear God's voice, there was a condition: whoever wanted to listen to Him had to seek Him had to go up. And God did not consider the fact that Moses was already old. And, nowadays, God speaks. When we see disoriented people saying: 'I don't know what to do,' it is not because of a lack of God speaking but because the person does not have ears to hear His voice. God is Spirit, so if anyone wants to hear Him, he cannot be in the flesh."

Therefore, to "ascend" to God, we have to leave this distraction of the world, just as Moses left the people.

Join us in this Journey of Faith and receive the greatest blessing, which is the presence of God. See the back page for locations.

It's common to see Maria with a smile on her face, but she says it wasn't always like that. She grew up with her nine siblings. She experienced fights and physical attacks due to her father's addiction, who was an alcoholic. She left home very early to get rid of that scenario: "There was a point in my life when I couldn't bear to suffer any longer and, at 14, I got involved with someone just to leave home. At 19, I got pregnant and had my daughter. When she was one year old, I separated, and my world ended there."

Maria moved with her daughter to another city and started attending the Universal Church. She remembered that, as a child, she sporadically went to meetings with her older sister, and upon arriving in the city, another sister invited her to go to the House of the Most High. "I became involved with the things of God. A year later, I was already an assistant, but I was missing the main thing, which was the Holy Spirit. I hadn't realized this then, and after seven years, I left the church and moved away."

She states that it seemed like everything was going well in the first year of her separation from God. Still, after two years, she was drinking, smoking, having nights out, and having relationships with men and women. "No relationship worked. I was betrayed or betrayed. I started getting involved with married

men, and to satisfy my needs, I got involved with a man and a woman simultaneously. When friends surrounded me, I seemed happy, but when I got home, I was afraid and sank deeper into addictions. I started smoking two packs of cigarettes a day. I drank every night. I wasn't sleepy, and, out of fear, I left the light on because, when I turned it off, I felt like someone was coming to suffocate me. I became very aggressive and was always in trouble," she details.

She says that once, on her way back from work, when getting off the subway, a passenger asked her if she didn't know which side she was on. "That was enough for me to grab her head and hit the iron until I saw the blood come down, and someone took me off her. I was a bomb that would explode at any moment."

After her daughter got married and left home, she no longer saw a reason to live and began planning her suicide. She lived in the same building where one of her sisters had thrown herself from the tenth floor. Maria believed there was only one solution for her: falling from the eighth floor. "The devil had put it in my head that there was no way for me anymore. I started thinking that death would bring me peace and that, like my sister, I would too," she says.

She says that, in addition to her sister's suicide, she had already been through other traumatic events: her father was

murdered in front of her, he was shot in the throat, and her mother died sick beside her. "My biggest pain was remembering that I had served God in the past and that when my mother got sick, I couldn't do anything for her. In the 12 years I was away from Universal, many events made me think there was no solution for my life", she declares.

With these thoughts, she cut part of the apartment's protective screen and was determined to jump when her sister spotted her and ran to prevent the worst. "When she arrived at the apartment, she said: 'Let's go to Universal'. It was a Saturday night, and I had already drunk a lot. She knocked on my apartment on Sunday, and I said I wouldn't go. She turned her back on me, and I ran after her," she recalls.

It was in this state that Maria arrived at Universal. She confesses that she was determined not to return home if she didn't become free from the sadness and would throw herself beneath the first car she saw. Still, she heard a word from the pastor that opened her eyes. "He read a biblical passage that says that nothing can separate him who knows Him from the love of God (Romans 8:38-39). I thought I had known Him, but I realized I hadn't. I passed by the Altar that day and came down different, lighter. I understood that I needed to know God," she says.



She persevered in the deliverance meetings on Fridays and felt better and better. She freed herself from the desire to smoke, drink, and commit suicide, was baptized in water, and wanted more than anything to receive the Spirit of God into her life. "I participated in a campaign of faith, and when this happened, I felt immense peace and joy. I understood that nothing would take me away from God and that if one day I left Him, it was because I didn't have Him; otherwise, I would never have left Him. That day, I felt the embrace of God, who called me his daughter. How can such a big God dwell in the small being that I am?" she questions.

She says what conclusion she came to: "God worked tremendously. He gave me a happy marriage and rebuilt my life, and today, I have peace; I'm not afraid of the dark. I don't need to drink to forget my problems or smoke to erase my anxiety. **I am happy because my joy comes from within, comes from God. I never thought God would accept me because of everything I did in the past, but He accepted me and made me happy.**"



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- Coordinator/Pastor Tiago Pacheco

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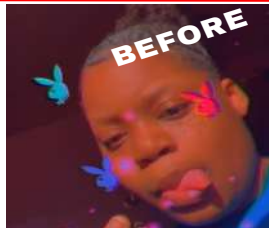


Meaning, you have no choice but to ask what time is it 😊



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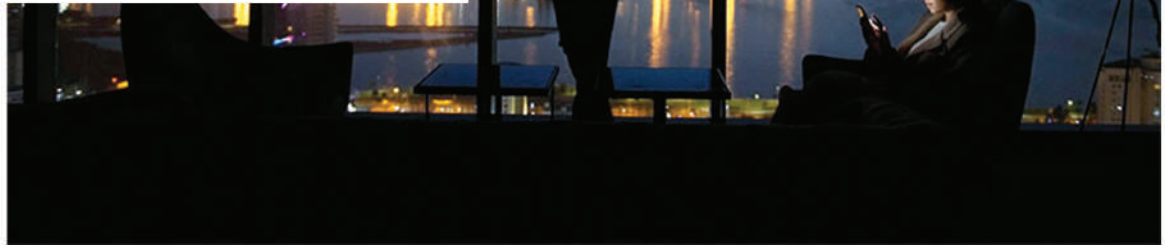
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She emphasizes that obeying God’s Word was not her priority, and this reflected not only on the outside of her life but also on the inside. “When my mother went to work, I had anxiety and panic attacks and depression. I was very shaken.” Without the will to live, she sought help and started fighting for herself first. “I started going to The Universal Church alone every Wednesday and Friday to receive my deliverance. As I went through this process, I let go of all my problems and focused only on the Holy Spirit. I understood that He would guide me to resolve everything else,” she reports.

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She says things started to move naturally. “I went to college, and today, I work in the field where I graduated. I am an entrepreneur. I am happily married and have achieved true prosperity,” she highlights.

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