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Miracles are not a thing of the past

At some point, we've all either witnessed or heard stories about people experiencing extraordinary events—things that, from a human perspective, seemed impossible or supernatural. Whether it was a near-death experience, a miraculous recovery, a long-awaited breakthrough, or an unexpected opportunity, there was no doubt that divine intervention was at work. These moments were the power of God moving in ways beyond our understanding.

The Bible is filled with countless accounts of miracles—real events that happened long ago, proving that miracles exist. But here's the question: Do miracles still happen today, or were they only for the past? Why were they so common back then but not as frequent now?

God makes it clear in Malachi 3:6: "For I am the Lord, I do not change." And in Hebrews 13:8, it says, "Jesus Christ is the same yesterday, today, and forever." In other words, God hasn't changed, and neither has His power or His willingness to bless those who call upon Him. What has changed is people's faith and trust in Him. Many no longer believe as they once did.

But God is still looking for those who put their faith in Him and His Word so He can manifest His power in their lives. If you're facing an impossible situation, believe that God can do the impossible for you.

Your miracle can happen! That's why I invite you to join us this Sunday at a UCKG near you for our Gathering of Faith and Miracles at 10 AM. Come and learn how to activate your faith and experience the miracle you've been waiting for!

| BEATING DEPRESSION |

Depression is more than just feeling sad—it's a deep, overwhelming sorrow that weighs down the soul. It brings feelings of hopelessness, drains motivation, and makes even the simplest tasks feel impossible. In severe cases, it can even rob people of their will to live. Depression isn't just a state of mind—it's a sickness of the soul. But who can heal the soul? Only the Savior, the Lord Jesus, has the power to restore a troubled heart.

Every Sunday, The Universal Church opens its doors to those who are battling depression. If you need support, we invite you to visit a nearby branch. Join a Chain of Prayer—a seven-week commitment where you'll receive spiritual strength through powerful prayers, practical guidance, and one-on-one counseling.

You are not alone in this battle. Thousands around the world have found hope and transformation through faith, proving that a Chain of Prayer can truly make a difference. You can be the next success story. **You can overcome depression!**



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Bishop Edir Macedo



Faith without anything to lose

Big or small, it doesn't matter—supernatural faith is a gift from the Holy Spirit, the power of God within those who are poor in spirit (Matthew 5:3). When it comes to faith, there is no "more or less." Either a person has it, or they don't.

Because faith is a gift from God, it is personal and cannot be forced on anyone. Jesus spoke in parables so that those with hardened hearts—the proud and the hypocrites, like the chief priests and Pharisees—would not understand (Mark 4:11, Luke 8:10). This confirms that supernatural faith is not for everyone (Isaiah 53:1).

But for those who have received it, faith is the power of God within them. Its size doesn't matter. Just like a grain of sand inside an oyster transforms into a pearl of great value, the faith that comes from God is placed in the hearts of the humble, ready to grow and make the impossible possible.

Because of its priceless value, faith takes hold of everything—including a new



life. The greatest virtue of faith is that it doesn't rely on personal merit to please God, its source. No matter how great a sinner someone may be, the power of faith is enough to bring into existence things that never existed before.

But it takes courage to put faith into action—the courage to give without anything to lose! Without that, religious faith will only continue to deceive.



"I had the flu and a cough every month—it turned out to be cancer."

tests, they finally found the answer—I had Hodgkin's lymphoma, cancer of the lymphatic system. Tumors had spread throughout my body.

When I got the news, I was in shock. I thought I was going to die. Even though I had been attending the Universal Church for a few years, I turned my back on my faith. I became angry with God.

I went through chemotherapy for a year, but nothing improved. My weight dropped from 220 pounds to just 88. Doctors kept changing my treatment, but nothing worked.

That's when I finally opened my eyes and turned back to God. I realized that, more than healing, what I truly needed was to know Him.

I wanted to be saved and receive the Holy Spirit. I began using my faith and made vows to God—first for my salvation, and then for my healing. I understood that if I sought Him first, He would do something extraordinary in my life.

The journey wasn't easy. There were times when I felt weak, couldn't eat, vomited constantly, and had high fevers. At one point, I told my family I didn't want to live anymore. But they supported me, and I kept trusting in God.

After a long battle fought with faith, my health started improving. The tumors disappeared. A follow-up CT scan showed excellent results—even the specialists were shocked. God had performed a miracle in my life."

—Mary Elizabeth



“Free from asthma, anxiety, sleepless nights, depression, etc.”

After losing a family member earlier this year, I went through a period of deep depression. I found myself in and out of the hospital, unable to eat or sleep. I was suffering from anxiety and dealing with so many struggles. I ended up in the hospital more than six times. On top of that, I had asthma and couldn't breathe properly, so I had to rely on an inhaler.



Medications she used before.

One day, I decided to attend the Sunday service here. I began using the blessed water by faith, drinking it before or after taking my medication. Gradually, I started to feel different—better and better each day. Today, I am completely free from all the suffering I endured. I no longer need any medication. Thanks to my faith in the Lord Jesus and using the blessed water, I am now doing excellently.

- Jannet



“I no longer have the lump in my breast”

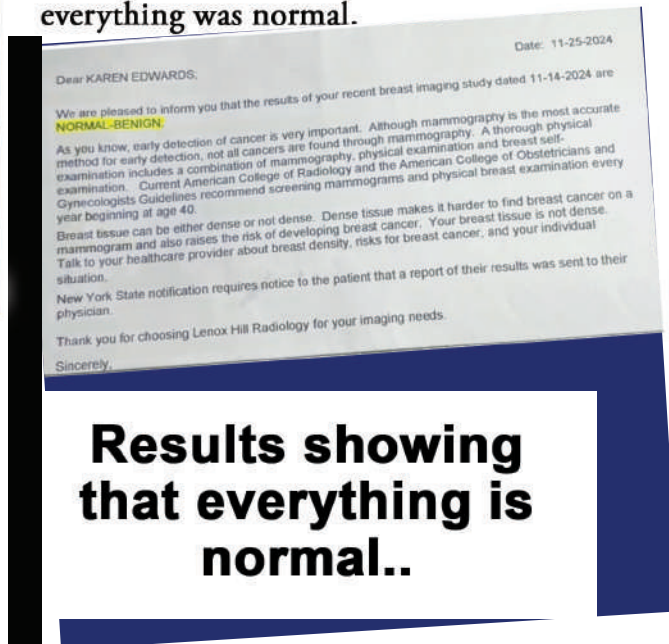
I discovered a lump in my breast, and it terrified me, especially since three of my family members—my mother's sisters—had passed away from cancer. I went to the doctor, who referred me for a mammogram. During this time, I was drinking the blessed water and prayed, “God, You've got to help me,”

because I feared I was going to die. A few days later, the doctor called me and asked me to come to his office. He informed me that everything was normal.



Miss Karen collecting the water from the well.

At first, I couldn't believe him, but then I received the official results in the mail. The report confirmed there was no lump, no cancer.



Results showing that everything is normal..

“Healed from Cardiomyopathy”



In 2020, I was diagnosed with Cardiomyopathy, a condition that affects the heart. The doctors told me that my heart wasn't beating properly and that there was no cure for it—that I would eventually die from it. I experienced shortness of breath, especially at night.

It was a process, but I decided to believe that God would be my doctor. By faith, I drank the blessed water. After undergoing new exams, the results showed that my heart is now normal. I no longer experience the symptoms I had before. -Miss Jackson



Receive the healing waters this Sunday at your nearest Universal Church



| MESSAGE |

Bishop Joshua

Tell Your Problems Who God Is



We often live in a constant state of reaction—responding to situations, problems, and the ups and downs of daily life. It's natural because, after all, how can we predict what will happen next?

While we can't always foresee challenges, we do have the power to speak life over ourselves and our families in advance. In difficult moments—whether it's a diagnosis, family struggles, or bad news—many turn to God,

asking Him to solve their problems. But we often forget that He is always with us and has already given us power.

“...He who is in you is greater than he who is in the world.” — 1 John 4:4

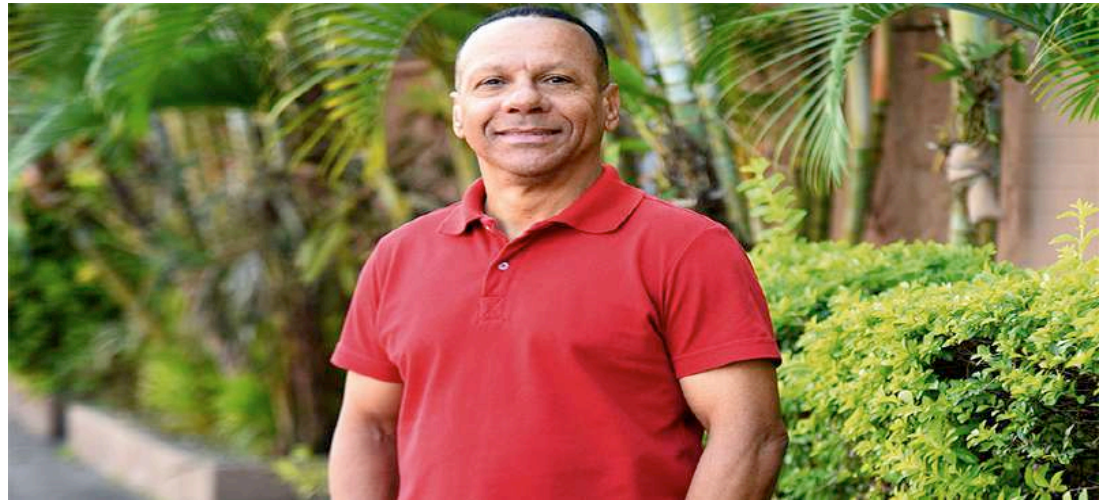
This means that when you receive bad news from the doctor, you have the power to declare healing over yourself. When you see your children going down the wrong path, you can already declare a bright future for them.

You don't have to react with desperation, worry, or fear when problems arise. When God is within you, you are always in a state of action. You stand firm and remind yourself that all is well because, even though this world has problems, no problem is greater than you—because God is with you.

May the God of the Bible bless you!

There's no way to tell when a problem will arise, but we have the power to speak life over us and our families preemptively.

I saw a 14-Year-old boy die in my place



Businessman Duarte, 60, grew up in a dysfunctional home filled with fights. As the son of a drug-addicted, drug-dealing father, he witnessed constant conflict caused by his father's addiction. One of the most unforgettable moments of his childhood was watching his father get arrested.

Duarte says he was introduced to the world of crime at an early age, leading to a life of being in and out of prison. During his teenage years, he and his brother became involved in drug trafficking.

Hoping to change their situation, his mother moved to a different city for a fresh start, but things only got worse. Duarte was arrested again and spent his 18th birthday in prison. After his release, he returned to his hometown, only to be arrested once more. This time, when he got out, he went to his mother's house. Desperate, she sought help from various religions but found no solutions. “I made a pact with the devil,” Duarte confesses. “I told him, ‘If you give me all the drugs I want, I'll give you my life.’”

Tired of suffering, his mother eventually threw him out. He vividly remembers that moment: “I was lost and had no idea what to do. With nowhere to go, I ended up in a rough neighborhood, where drug traffickers took me in.” That “adoption” only pushed him further into addiction. “I used everything—cigarettes, alcohol, marijuana, cocaine, ‘perfume,’ and crack—so much that even the drug dealers wanted to kill me because I was turning into a ‘junkie.’ My mother used to say, ‘A crooked tree is born crooked and will die crooked,’” he recalls.

Sometime later, Duarte started working, got married, and had two children. He tried to live a better life, but his addictions eventually destroyed everything. He lost his family, his job, and everything he had worked for. His wife cheated on him and abandoned him. He hit rock bottom when he nearly died—except someone else took the bullet meant for him. “I saw a 14-year-old boy die in my place because the bullet was meant for me but hit him instead. His death gave me the chance to escape,” Duarte says.

He fled aimlessly and wandered for about 15 days, lost and confused. That was when he came across a Universal Church—one he had passed many times before without noticing. A volunteer invited him to join a deliverance service happening at that moment. “At first, I

didn't want to go, but the assistant insisted. I felt so burdened and heavy that I actually felt sick. During the prayer, an evil spirit manifested, saying it was in my life because of the hatred I had for the mother of my children after she betrayed and left me,” he reveals.

The pastor spoke to him about forgiveness. At first, Duarte didn't want to forgive, but the pastor explained that it was an exchange with God—he had to forgive in order to free himself and receive the Holy Spirit.

When he finally understood the power of forgiveness, he sought out his ex-wife. “When I saw her, I asked for forgiveness. In the world of crime, there is no such thing as forgiveness—asking for it is humiliating. But I didn't feel humiliated; I knew I was doing the right thing. When I left, a joy took hold of me,” he explains.

After that, Duarte returned to the Universal Church, got baptized, and began his journey of faith. He actively sought the Holy Spirit, and when he received Him, everything changed. “An overwhelming joy filled me—something I had never felt before. It gave me a certainty I had never known. I left wanting to tell everyone what I was experiencing,” he says.

Within a year, Duarte was free from addiction, baptized, and filled with the Holy Spirit. He reflects on his past life: “I had no desire to live. My life revolved around drugs. I didn't enjoy anything. Sometimes, I would speed up in front of trucks as a ‘joke,’ but deep down, I wanted to die—I couldn't stand the emptiness. My friends even called me ‘The Devil's Son.’ But when God gave me the chance to change, I saw the difference between good and evil, and I surrendered. I had never known a love as great as God's. My own mother, the one I thought loved me, threw me out. But God accepted me as I was.”

He realized that only the Holy Spirit could bring him the peace and joy he had always sought. “The Holy Spirit is my reason for living. We are here, but there's a better place. He teaches me how to live in this world and be a light in the darkness,” he says.

After overcoming trauma, addiction, crime, and two divorces, he built a family rooted in God's teachings. “The joy the Holy Spirit gives can't be bought. It's a peace that stays, even when life is tough. Only those who have the Holy Spirit truly understand,” he concludes

My mother said I was a crooked tree that was born crooked and that I would die crooked. My friends called me the ‘Son of the Devil’.

MARCH 2025 BIBLE READING						
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2 AMOS 2	3 AMOS 3	4 AMOS 4	5 AMOS 5	6 AMOS 6	7 AMOS 7	8 AMOS 8
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16 MICAH 2	17 MICAH 3	18 MICAH 4	19 MICAH 5	20 MICAH 6	21 MICAH 7	22 NAHUM 1
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30 ZEPHANIAH 3	31 HAGGAI 1 & 2					

What's happening at the Universal Church

Blessings from Jerusalem



The guidance of the Holy Spirit for this initiative came at the beginning of the year when Bishop Edir Macedo, along with bishops and their wives from different parts of the world, was on a missionary trip to Israel.

While in the Holy Land, the bishops took a faith-filled walk of about seven kilometers around the seven gates of Jerusalem. Each of these gates holds deep spiritual significance.

Bishop Macedo reflected on this experience, saying: *"Jerusalem is built like a city that is closely compacted together. It is a walled city, and with every step we took, we thought about the time of the Lord Jesus—how He walked through those gates, how He wept over Jerusalem, a city still surrounded by prophecy today. The same Psalm 122 tells us that those who pray for the peace of Jerusalem and love it will prosper. And we will pass through these gates by faith in this purpose of the Blessing of the 7 Gates of Jerusalem."*

This Sunday, March 30, bishops from different countries will pray from the Golden Gate (GATE OF MERCY), ministering divine blessings over your life. Visit the nearest Universal Church this Sunday at 10 AM and take part in this powerful purpose.

"There was no hope for me."



"I was diagnosed with leukemia and had to undergo chemotherapy. The disease caused constant nosebleeds that sometimes lasted for hours. I lost so much blood at one point that only water came out. At my weakest, I weighed just 61 pounds. My hair was falling out, I had no appetite, and my nails became thin and brittle.

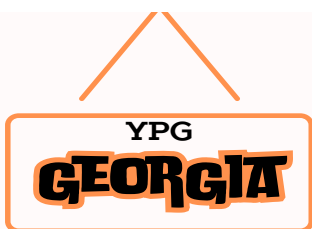
The treatment wasn't working. The specialists had given up on me—there was nothing more they could do. But what was impossible for them, God made possible.

Someone invited me to the Universal Church, telling me I could find help there. I started going regularly. One day, I prayed, 'Lord, if You exist, help me—I want to be healed.' I surrendered my life on the Altar, and by persevering in faith, God began to help me. I started eating and sleeping well, and little by little, my health improved.

By using my faith and the tools God gave me, my life was transformed. My health was restored—I beat cancer. My relationship with my daughters also improved. God freed me from the hatred I had carried for years and even blessed my finances.

But my greatest blessing was receiving the Holy Spirit. The peace He gave me is indescribable. My advice to anyone struggling is this: fight and trust that God can transform your situation. He did it for me, and He can do it for you."

—Adelaida Velásquez



NEW BREED EVENT

The New Breed event in Atlanta was designed to show young people that they don't have to follow negative trends to fit in or find happiness. The event featured dance performances, rap, poetry, and a powerful play based on the real-life story of a local youth who overcame abuse, bad influences, and inner struggles.

The core message was about becoming a "New Breed"—breaking free from the past and stepping into a transformed life. The event was a huge success, with many young people opening up, receiving guidance, and finding hope for a better future.



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POSITIVE CHANGES

Bryanna's testimony

Before coming to the YPG, I had serious issues with my dad. There was a lot of verbal abuse and even some physical abuse when I was young. Over time, I became angry and developed the worst attitude; no one could tell me what to do. I got involved with gangs and started making choices that were destroying my life. I hated the way things were, but I didn't know how to change. When I was first invited to the YPG, I sat in the back, trying to ignore everything being said. But as I started to listen, something changed inside me. I found strength and a sense of purpose. The desire to hang around bad influences disappeared, and my attitude completely changed. Now, I'm excelling in my career and in college, and I'm happier than I've ever been!



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The pages of the Holy Book are filled with reliable accounts describing countless miracles like this. However, when we close the Bible, these miracles have not stopped. They continue to happen successively, through sincere, practical and bold faith. “God is a God who heals. He did this in the past, does it today and will always do so, because He does not change.”

Miracles produced through faith arise in the face of problems, including those related to the healing of illnesses. Intelligent faith recognizes the role of medicine, which is inspired by God to heal, save, and create vaccines and treatments, but medicine also has limits and it is at the limit of medicine that the power of faith begins. “Just as intelligent faith recognizes the role of medicine, intelligent medicine also recognizes the role of faith, because without faith the patient does not even take the medicine and the treatment does not work properly if he does not believe.” This means that a miracle does not dispense with the attitude of the human being, that is, a convinced action that represents belief and trust in God through the practice of intelligent faith.

Whatever the miracle, the common denominator among them is this faith expressed in God, through the Name of the Lord Jesus, which makes possible what was considered impossible. Only He has the power to accept the rejected, heal the incurable, and transform lost cases into testimonies.

Do you also need a miracle in your life or in the life of a family member? On Sunday, go to the nearest Universal Church and receive your miracle through your faith! See the back page for locations.

Miracles are not a thing of the past.



Jonathan Oliveira dos Santos is the youngest of four children. His parents are Janet Sena de Oliveira and Marcos Ludelton Oliveira dos Santos. Janet remembers well the day when she asked her son, who was 16 then, to go to the supermarket near her home to buy an ingredient that was missing for dinner.

“He always went to places near our house by bike and rode along the sidewalk, but that day I noticed that he took longer to return. I went to the balcony of the building and saw some movement on the avenue and, when



I called my son, another person answered and said: ‘Your son was run over by a

The clinical prediction was brain death!

motorcycle’”, says Janete. In the accident, Jonathan hit his head hard on the ground and immediately went into a coma. He was taken to the hospital, intubated, and had a severe head injury. Doctors gave him only a 5% chance of survival. He underwent surgery that lasted eight hours.

The family was already familiar with the faith and had been seeking God for years at the Universal Church. “We came together in prayer. After 48 hours of surgery, in the Intensive Care Unit (ICU), the clinical prediction was

Doctors gave him only a 5% chance of survival.

brain death, because in the accident he had lost brain mass. That was when our fight began,” says Janete.

After two months in a coma, Jonathan opened his eyes and was transferred to a hospital room, but the diagnosis

was that he would be in a vegetative state. He lost a lot of weight and now weighed only 66 lbs. For many, the only alternative would be to quit and accept that situation, but his family saw that moment as a moment to achieve a miracle.

In addition to that condition, Jonathan contracted a hospital infection and had to be transferred to another hospital. “He was very weak and, in addition to the risk of dying from the trauma, there was also the infection. The family took turns at the hospital,” says Janete.

The parents say that, in addition to the medical treatment, spiritual treatment was also carried out. Janet details what was done: “Whoever stayed with him in the hospital brought consecrated water to bathe him. We anointed his clothes and made vows at the Altar. We obeyed the direction of faith that God gave us. It was a period of great struggle, pain, and faith. It was our baptism with fire.”

Marcos reports “I told God that, if Jonathan were to live, it would be to bear witness to the name of the Lord. God placed in me a great certainty

that my son would be cured. We set out for total faith at the Altar of the Lord in a purpose of faith and when we came down from the Altar once again, the certainty of his cure was testified to.”

Jonathan surprised the medical team day after day. His brain regenerated and he underwent surgery to place a cranial prosthesis. He was able to eat, walk, and talk again. He was discharged from the hospital after a year and

two months of hospitalization and underwent physiotherapy and speech therapy sessions.

Although he does not remember the accident, he recognizes that his life is a miracle. He completed his studies and led a normal life. Alongside his parents, he continues to seek God and maintain his physical and spiritual health at the Universal Church. “I am doing very well, thank God. What He did in my life was glorious,” Jonathan concludes.

“I got to know the world and deceitful relationships.”



Jessica Brito is an only child. She “grew up in a happy family” and was “well raised”, as she says. This welcoming environment, however, shared space with the dangerous and violent neighborhood where she lived. “I got to know the world and deceitful relationships and started hanging out with bad company”, she recalls. At 18, she got involved with drugs and, consequently, other doors opened for her.

But my mother, who was nervous, changed her attitude and started praying. I remember seeing her with the bedroom door closed, asking God for strength.” She remembers that her mother, Rosária, was already attending the Universal Church at the time.

So, she started going to clubs in the outskirts, met people from drug trafficking, made easy money and started carrying large-caliber weapons.

After a night of partying and drug addiction, she realized she needed help. When she recognized herself as a drug addict, she decided to go to the hospital. “I used marijuana and ecstasy. Cocaine was also ruining my life. I went to my mother to ask for help.” Her mother’s reaction was to give me words of life and faith. Jessica repeats what she heard from her: “I’m not going to put you in a hospital. I’m going to take you to the Universal Church. There, my God will take care of you and I am sure that your change begins now.”

Jessica spent her nights on the streets. “I lived

She met people from drug trafficking, made easy money and started carrying large-caliber weapons.

more outside than at home. My son, now 3 years old, became my parents’ son.” She tells how her addiction affected her at home: “My father would say that I was different, too skinny and bossy. It was the effect of the drugs. I lost the bond I used to have with him, I would scream and not know how to talk.

Jessica took a long time to go. Until one fine day, as she says, she went alone. “I was sure that this would be my last door and only way out.” At the first meeting, she realized that she was free from oppression and inner emptiness. Now, she says that her history of aggression, fights and rebellion is behind her. “I was a troublemaker, disturbed and independent, because I received easy money that gave me a life without material needs. But I lacked what I have today: peace, self-love, character, love, kindness and grace,” she says.

She tells the secret that transformed her: “I received the Holy Spirit. I feel within me a strength capable of withstanding anything. God guides and sustains me.”

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.

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You are NOT alone!



“Living the fast life brought me a lot of pain.”

My mother’s addiction to cigarettes and alcohol led me down the same path. I worked hard, but during my breaks, I drank excessively to cope.

I surrounded myself with friends who used drugs and smoked, and eventually, I started doing the same. I also got involved with multiple women. After using drugs and hallucinogens, I started hearing voices, but I refused to change.

Things only got worse. At one point, I tried to take my own life by drinking rat poison, but a family member found out in time. I was diagnosed with depression and bipolar disorder, and the doctors told me there was no cure. When I got home, I went right back to my old ways—I took all the drugs I had, drank heavily, and started planning a robbery to get more.

After the robbery, I was sent to prison. While there, I saw people praying and came across the Universal Church (UBB). The pastor’s message spoke to me, and for the first time, I started building my faith. I no longer wanted to end my life, and the voices stopped.

But when I got out, I lost my way again. I thought marriage and fatherhood would help me escape drugs, but they didn’t.

One day, the weight of my miserable life hit me

hard. My wife and I struggled to put food on the table for ourselves and our daughter. The drugs only made things worse, feeding the dark voices in my head. They whispered: “Kill your wife, your daughter, and then yourself.”

One night, high on cocaine, I found myself watching a Universal Church program. The man of God spoke with conviction, sharing a Bible verse that struck me. I understood the message and decided to attend the church.

No one judged me there. I confessed everything. And when I walked out of that service, I made up my mind—I was going to do my part, not just for God, but for myself.

That Friday, the temptation to use drugs and smoke was overwhelming, but I fought it and said, “No.” I kept attending church, and one day, I heard the pastor talk about the Holy Spirit—how necessary He is.

That message changed everything. I surrendered my life, and God delivered me. I was baptized with the Holy Spirit.

“Come to Me, all you who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. Take My yoke upon you and learn from Me, for I am gentle and lowly in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. For My yoke is easy and My burden is light.”

Matthew 11:28-30

From that moment on, I was different. I placed my life on the altar, and God poured His love and grace over me. He removed my pride, my bad

character—everything that had held me back.

People who once knew me couldn’t believe my transformation. Now, I have compassion for others. I share God’s word with those who are suffering—the lost youth, the broken families, the ones who feel like there’s no way out.

God restored my family, my marriage, and my relationship with my son. Because of the Father’s love, I can now give love.

Today, we are a united family, and I am grateful to God for it. The Holy Spirit transformed my life completely. When everyone else had given up on me, UBB’s doors were open, and God gave me a second chance.



Fabio today with his wife and children.

“I cry out to God; yes, I shout. Oh, that God would listen to me! When I was in deep trouble, I searched for the Lord.” Psalms 77:1-2

Speak out, I am all ears! If you want to be added to my E-Message list, send me a letter with the correct info to: 7075 SW. Fwy. Houston, TX 77074.

Include: Name/ID #, Facility, Complete Address, City/State, and the Zip code.



Every day the UBB has a new episode for you.

There is something for everyone! Do you need guidance about your faith, family, sexual orientation, curses, dealing with loss, addictions etc.?

"¿Hablas español? En la aplicación de Pando puedes encontrar segmentos de la UBB ¡también en español!"

Hoping for a miracle

Have you ever wished for a miracle? Many of us have—especially when we're stuck in a rut or feeling hopeless. Imagine sitting in your dorm room, day after day, wondering when you'll be released or when a loved one will visit.

It's easy to feel like God hasn't heard your prayers. But the truth is, He hears every request.

Still, we might think, "Nah, miracles don't happen anymore." But is that really true? God is not limited by our circumstances.

He can bless us no matter where we are. So, what kind of miracle are you hoping for?

And have you ever considered that the miracle you're asking for might not be the one God wants to give you? Think about the story of the ten lepers. They all received their miracle—they were healed. But only one came back to thank Jesus.

Did Jesus just want to heal their bodies, or did He want to give them something greater—eternal salvation? The greatest miracle God wants to give you is the miracle of internal freedom.

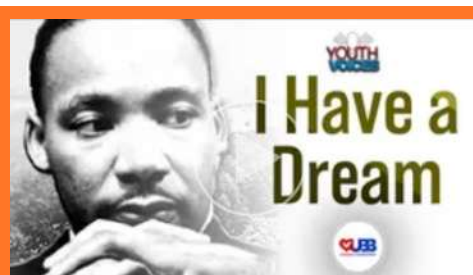
Miracles are real, and God wants to perform the one that's best for you.

Instead of asking, "Do miracles even exist?" Try praying, "Lord, what miracle do You want to do in my life?"

Take your eyes off the miracle you want and focus on the miracle God has for you. You'll see that He has been preparing something perfect all along.

**To live by faith is to live by miracles.
And to live by miracles means
depending on God—trusting Him
completely, instead of being consumed
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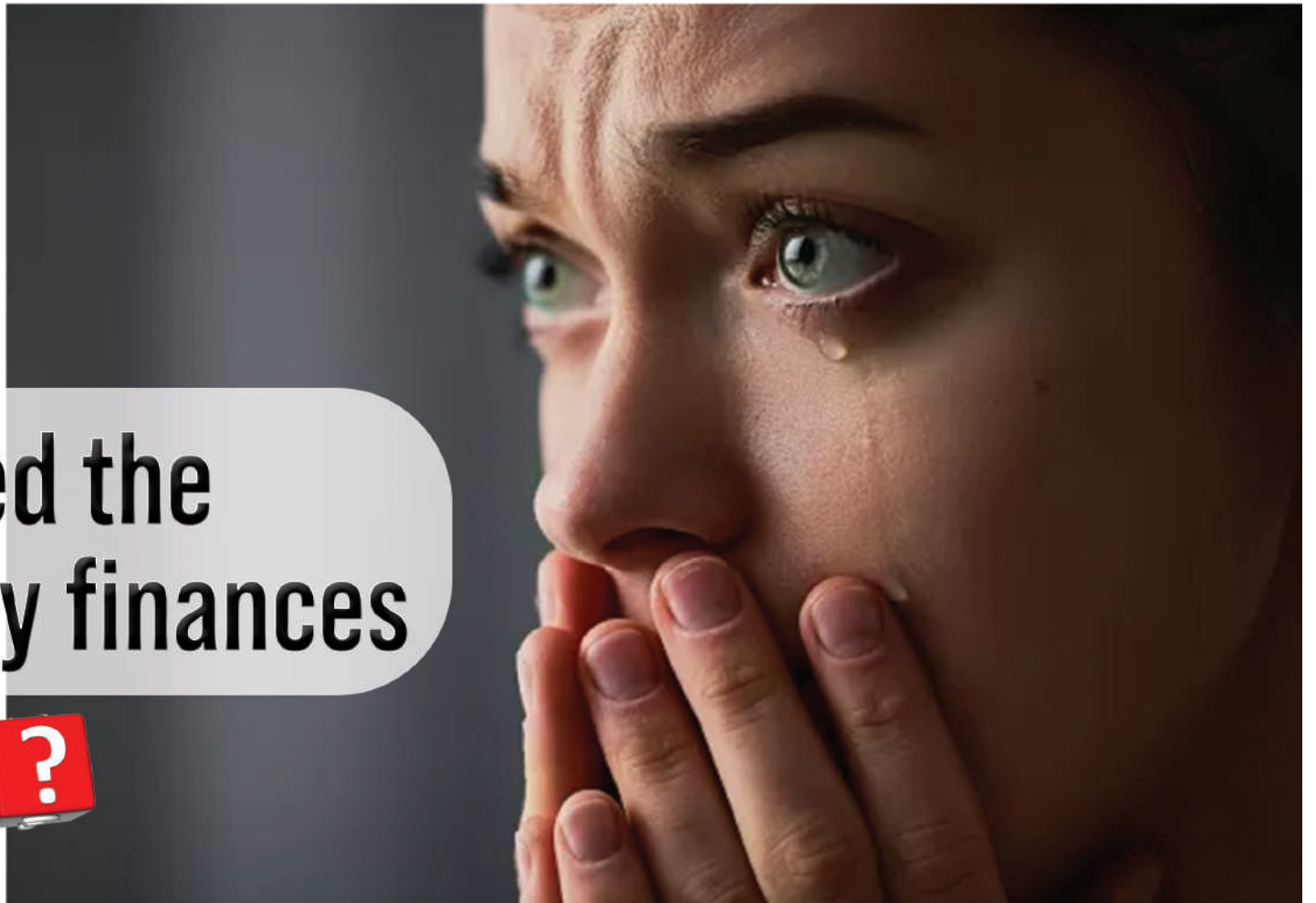
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A doctor diagnosed Andreia with a hemorrhagic cyst the size of an orange. Surgery was her only option, but it was risky—there was a chance she wouldn't survive the procedure. It was at that moment she realized she didn't want to die. She wanted to heal, to prosper, and to be happy again.

She attended a special event at The Universal Church, and Andreia says it felt like divine timing. "I remember the pastor's words feeling so personal, as if he knew everything about my life. I thought to myself, 'I can't believe my mom spoke to him.' He said, 'You, all of a sudden, are like the woman who came to Jesus to be healed. You need a cure...' I felt

connected to everything he said." Even though she didn't fully understand, she decided to trust and surrender to God.

"I started using the spiritual treatment water. I participated in the church's prayers and made a sacrifice with my request. Soon after, the pain I had been feeling disappeared. Even though I had only been in the church for a short time, God honored my faith and my sincerity." However, she still faced financial struggles.

"I went a few days without food, but I trusted that God would provide. Shortly after, my grandmother offered us a place to live, and I no longer had to worry about paying rent. I saw this as an opportunity God had opened for me and my son." Not long after, she found a job, and her life took a turn for the better.

"I received a promotion, and my earnings improved. The emotional struggles and negative thoughts I had been carrying disappeared. After I gave my life to God, I learned to trust Him fully. I was baptized in water and also sought the Holy Spirit." Today, Andreia owns a coffee shop and has a blessed family. "All of this is incredible, but nothing compares to what God has done within me. We continue to live from faith to faith, and from sacrifice to sacrifice, and that's why I can truly say we are happy and blessed."

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