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The power of prayer restored their love life

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The power of prayer

Many believers use the phrase "prayer changes things." But how many people truly believe this? Everyone has prayed at some point. Sometimes it is a quick prayer for protection, good news, or help to pass a test. So why does it seem like some prayers are answered while others are not? The difference is in the faith and sincerity of the one who prays.

"So Jesus answered and said to them, Assuredly, I say to you, if you have faith and do not doubt, you will not only do what was done to the fig tree, but also if you say to this mountain, Be removed and be cast into the sea, it will be done. And whatever things you ask in prayer, believing, you will receive." Matthew 21:21 to 23

A sincere prayer made in faith is powerful because it draws the attention of God. It can move mountains and change lives, families, and marriages. Prayer made in faith can heal the sick and set free those who suffer with addictions or spiritual oppression. But faith also requires perseverance. When we pray with this kind of faith, we are not just focused on the answer. Yes, we want results, but prayer also fulfills its main purpose, bringing us closer to God. Prayer is an expression of our trust in His word and His promises.

When we pray, we open our soul to the only One who truly understands our struggles and can give us the answer we need. In a world where few people have time to listen, God does. His ears are patient and loving, always ready to hear us. God wants to hear from you.

If you are facing a difficult situation now and fear has taken over your mind, make a sincere prayer and seek God's help. Surrender your body, soul, and spirit to Him. He will not only help you, He will transform your life.

Join us on New Year's Eve at a Universal Church near you for the New Year's Vigil. It is an opportunity to begin the New Year in a different way, in the presence of God, with His blessing and guidance. The vigil will be held on December 31 at 10 PM.

Beating Depression

Depression is more than feeling sad. It is a deep and overwhelming sorrow that weighs down the soul. It brings hopelessness, drains motivation, and makes even the simplest tasks feel impossible. In severe cases, it can even take away the desire to live. Depression is not only a state of mind, it is a sickness of the soul. And what 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 fighting depression. If you need support, we invite you to visit a nearby branch. Join the Chain of Prayer, a seven-week commitment where you receive spiritual strength through powerful prayers, practical guidance, and one on one counseling.

You are not alone in this fight. Thousands of people around the world have found hope and transformation through faith, proving that the 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



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obody likes to face problems and struggles, but they are necessary. What hurts you today and seems unbearable will help you grow tomorrow.

This does not mean you should accept your problems, but there are challenges we must face in order to build our testimony.

For example, the church has gone through many battles to be where it is today. Bishop Macedo also endured many hardships, as shown in the film "Nothing to Lose," but he overcame all of them. Many people share their testimonies now, but how long did it take for those victories to come? How many years of perseverance were needed for that testimony to be com-

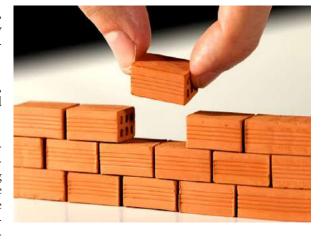
Many people think, "I can't take this anymore," or "Why doesn't God help me overcome this problem?" The truth is, they do not understand that they are a work in progress.

In the verse below, we see the example of the Lord Jesus, who suffered more than anyone, yet endured everything in obedience to God.

"...Who, in the days of His flesh, when He had offered up prayers and supplications, with vehement cries and tears to Him who was able to save Him from death,

Your testimony is under construction...

and was heard because of His godly fear, though He was a Son, yet He learned obedience by the things which He suffered. And



became the author of eternal salvation to all who obey Him, called by God as High Priest according to the order of Melchizedek." (Hebrews 5:7-10)

Even though He is the Son of God, the Lord Jesus went through difficult moments and learned to depend only on His Father. As a result, He became the High Priest of all who obey Him.

When struggles come, many people open up to friends, neighbors, and others who cannot help them.

So, my friend, seek strength in God and obey Him. He feels your pain, and He is the only One who can truly help you.

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having been perfected, He God bless you all!



Anna went through very dark moments in her life, but faith rescued her joy and her will to live.

Thirty-three-year-old Anna works as a shipping assistant and says she now lives a peaceful life. A few years ago, however, she faced deep emoteenage years were filled with happy moments, but her life took a difficult turn when she began to feel an emptiness inside. "I needed people around me to feel happy," she says.

Caught up in parties and turbulent relationships, she tried to fill that A new chance void, but nothing worked. She started drinking occasionally, but that only made things worse. "The more I drank, the more anxious, sad, and

"I wrote goodbye letters to my mother"

depressed I became," she explains.

The darkest moment of her life came when she was slandered and then lost her father. "I was accused of something terrible by relatives of my ex-boyfriend. They said I had ordered him to be killed. At the time, we were still together, so it made no sense. With everything piling up, I became overwhelmed. Then my father passed away. I felt completely alone, worse than ever, and I started to believe that even my own family did not like me and that I was a and depression. She adds that she burden to them. All that emotional sacrificed her own will to receive weight pushed me into depression. the Holy Spirit, and that experience Around people, I smiled, but alone transformed her completely. in my room, it was hell. I spent tional struggles. Her childhood and entire nights crying, and suicidal After that encounter with God, thoughts began to appear. I planned my own death three times and wrote goodbye letters to my mother," she says. According to Anna, she only survived because of the intervention of the Holy Spirit.

Her decision to change came when she gave God a chance. Encouraged by her mother, she found in moments.

the Universal Church the refuge she needed to face her pain. "After just one month attending the church, I went through the painful loss of my mother, but I received valuable support from the people there. I found strength in God at the Universal Church," she recalls.

She says her full surrender at the Altar came from the desire to leave a life of suffering behind. That decision brought her a new beginning and freedom from pain, sadness,

Anna says her life became filled with joy. "I am happy because God Himself lives inside me. He is everything, and He gives us the promise of eternal life," she says. For her, the Altar represents a transformed life where victories are achieved. Today, she serves as an assistant in Universal. Anna is proof that with faith and surrender, it is possible to find hope even in the most challenging

"With God all Matthew 19:26 things are possible"



"If I were not in the faith, I would have given up"

In March 2022, business administrator Barbara Bassile, now 46, went in for a routine checkup. Tests revealed grouped calcifications in her right breast, and a biopsy confirmed invasive lobular carcinoma, an aggressive cancer near her lung. "I felt lost and worried, but my faith kept me steady," she says.

Bárbara was already familiar with challenges. Sixteen years earlier, she came to Universal during a high-risk pregnancy after being diagnosed with toxoplasmosis. Doctors warned her that her baby could be born with severe complications. "Miraculously, my daughter was born healthy," she recalls.

A journey of faith: her treatment required discipline: six chemotherapy sessions, a quadrantectomy, fifteen radiotherapy sessions, and fourteen immunotherapy sessions. She refused to let fear dominate her. Before every procedure, she prayed, read the Bible, and focused on her faith.

The practice that strengthened her the most was the treatment with the blessed water every Sunday. She says it became a turning point. "I drank the water believing that God was working inside me. It renewed my strength each week." She also took part in the Chain of 70 on Tuesdays and the Fast of the Impossible on Saturdays. Doctors were surprised by her recovery. She held onto Isaiah 14:24 and believed that God guided every detail.

Even during the strongest phases of treatment, her hair never fell out completely. For her, that was a sign that God was with her.

An answer: today, she celebrates her healing. "I go for checkups every six months and, thanks to God, I only receive good news." What could have been a painful chapter became a testimony of faith. "If I were not in the faith, I would have given up. God gave me strength to turn something bad into a blessing. I vowed that if He healed me, I would serve Him for the rest of my life, and that is what I am doing."

The most unforgettable moment came after her final chemotherapy session. "That was when I received the Holy Spirit. Even after so many years in the Church, that was when I understood the true meaning of faith. From that day on, everything became new."



"I Was Taking 10 Pills a Day"

For years, I suffered from back pain, knee pain, arthritis, and even developed a blood clot in my leg. On top of that, I was taking ten pills a day to manage hypertension, diabetes, anxiety, depression, and other health issues. It felt like my body was constantly under attack, and no matter what I did, I couldn't find lasting relief. Everything began to change when I started using my faith with the blessed water. Slowly but surely, my pain eased, my energy returned, and I no longer needed to take ten pills a day. My body began to heal in ways I could not have imagined. I had also been pre-diabetic, which worried me greatly.

But at my most recent checkup, my doctor told me that my numbers looked excellent and encouraged me to keep up whatever I was doing. I shared with him that I had been drinking the blessed water from the church and relying on faith, and he was amazed. This journey has taught me the incredible power of faith and obedience. I feel healthier, stronger, and more at peace than I have in years. Truly, God has restored my body and my life. —Lakisha



"Now I can walk, God made me whole again"

It started with back pain from my job, and I pushed through it for a long time. But one day the pain became so severe that I had to go to the hospital. I had never experienced anything like it. Not even morphine helped. After tests, I was diagnosed with two discs that had shifted about four millimeters and were pressing on my sciatic

I thank the Bishop for coming to my home and praying for me, and above all, I thank God for making me whole again.

Today I can walk. I refused all painkillers and relied on my faith while using the blessed water. I placed it on my back, drank it every morning, and prayed. God makes miracles happen. —Gandi



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Bishop Joshua

Learning from our mistakes



I magine taking the same test ten times and failing each time for the exact same reason. You knew what went wrong, you knew what needed to change, yet the result never changed. It sounds absurd, but this is how many people live. Their mistakes follow them because they choose not to grow. Life presents the same challenges again, and they respond the same way, producing the same outcome.

The Bible speaks clearly about this:

"The ear that hears the rebukes of life will abide among the wise. He who disdains instruction despises his own soul, but he who heeds rebuke gets understanding"

(Proverbs 15:31–32)

In other words, wisdom comes when we learn from correction. Ignoring correction does not protect us, it only delays our growth.

Mistakes are not the enemy. Refusing to learn from them is. Correction is one of the ways God cares for us. Sometimes it comes through Scripture, sometimes through people, and sometimes through painful experiences. But every correction is an opportunity to become wiser and stronger.

So when life presents a "failed test," pause and ask what God is showing you. Value your soul enough to listen, learn, and change. Growth may feel uncomfortable, but it always leads to a better future.

May the God of the Bible bless you!

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The importance of praying for the family

They prayed for each other at different moments, and this shared faith became essential for the miracle that took place.



Gabrie

From a young age, I watched my mother suffer with depression, panic attacks, and bipolar disorder. She would have emotional episodes at home and sometimes hit me for no reason. There was a time when she spent five months in a dark room because of the depression. I already knew about the Universal Church and the testimonies of miracles, so I started a chain of prayer for her deliverance.

I fought for my mother for eleven years. During that time, I came to church, but I refused to surrender my own life to God. I only wanted the results of faith. All I cared about was my mother's deliverance. After eleven years of prayer, she finally came to church with me. She began seeking God for herself and was completely delivered. She never again suffered from depression or panic attacks, and I saw her become a woman of God. She surrendered fully and started serving Him with sincerity. But I did not follow her example.

Once my mother was free—the very thing I had fought for—I walked away from the church. I began using drugs and did not want to return.

Agda:

When I came to the church, I surrendered my life to God and He transformed me. But at the same time, I watched my son, once a sweet and affectionate child, become rebellious and aggressive. He no longer wanted to attend church, and

he would break things at home. I tried everything to help him, but he rejected every attempt. At only fourteen years old, he left home to live with his father, but he ended up living on the streets instead.

Months went by without any news from him. One day, he called to say he was being held in a drug lord's house because he used the drugs he was supposed to sell. He could not leave until the debt was paid. His father paid it, but my son still did not return home.

When I realized that nothing else I did was enough, I

turned to the only path that could save him—the path of faith. I went to the Altar and sought God's intervention. After making that vow, his situation seemed to get even worse. The more I prayed, the worse he became. Still, I held firm.

I brought his clothes and photos to the church and started a chain of prayer for him, just as he once did for me.

Then came the news I feared most: my son had overdosed. Yet deep down, I believed God would use that moment to bring him home.



That same day, he walked through the door at five in the morning. He asked to lie down on my lap and fell asleep there. When he woke up, he told me he wanted the same peace he saw in me. He

returned to church, surrendered his life to God, and began seeking a change from within.

Gabriel:

I remembered the vow I had once made for my mother and how her transformation began. I realized that for my own life to change, I needed to surrender to God as well, not just ask for blessings. When I made that decision, everything changed. I was freed from drugs. I found peace. I received the Holy Spirit. Today, my mother and I serve God together. Our home is blessed, and God has given us a new life—far greater than anything we ever imagined.

Agda and Gabriel

FAITH IN ACTION

What's happening at Universal

Hitting rock bottom was the beginning of change



Thirty-one-year-old, Thaynara learned Christian teachings and faith in her childhood while attending Universal Church meetings with her family. Even so, she suffered because of the choices she made.

As a teenager, influenced by friends, she wanted to experience everything that had been off limits. At 14, she started going to parties and clubs. What seemed like harmless fun ended up opening the door to years of pain. At those parties, she was introduced to drugs. She first tried cigarettes, but she says marijuana made her feel trapped. Alcohol also became part of her daily life.

At 16, hoping to find love, she started a relationship. What should have been a dream turned into a nightmare. "It was completely abusive. We fought all the time, and there were many physical assaults. I went to work with a black eye, and other times I had scars on my hands from knife cuts during arguments," she says.

The relationship lasted four years. During that time, on top of the emotional wounds she already carried, she faced another serious situation: attempts of sexual and emotional abuse from a relative. Even while living through all of this, she kept getting involved with different

men, but with one intention. "I only wanted a distraction, then I walked away. Every weekend it was someone different. I wanted to get revenge for the abuse I suffered, but all it did was hurt me. I even sold intimate photos, and at parties I danced just to seduce men and use them," she confesses.

Inside, she longed to be free from pain and finally be happy. She thought that day had arrived when she met the man who is now her husband, whom she describes as "sweet and respectful."

But the scars of her past followed her into the relationship. Fights became constant and grew worse after she was unfaithful. When her husband decided to end the relationship, she fell into depression and remembers her reaction. "Many times, I thought about ending my life. I could not take it anymore. Then I remembered what I had learned in the Church. I knew my solution was there. So in 2023, I decided to return to Jesus."

Healing through the Holy Spirit

Broken and lost—that is how she returned to the Church. Through the Word of God, she was given the chance to start over. Even though she faced criticism for choosing to be baptized in water, she stayed firm. The result was a complete transformation through the presence of the Holy Spirit.

She explains what changed from that moment on. "I started to have such deep peace inside

me that even when everything around me seems to fall apart, I remain calm. Today I am faithful to my husband, free from addictions, and healed from the scars of my past."



"I found out that my partner was unfaithful to me"



I got married believing I would have a beautiful life and a happy home, but that illusion ended when I discovered my partner was cheating on me. He denied everything and called me crazy, but the truth eventually came out. From that moment on, I became desperate and deeply frustrated. I scratched my own face,

had anxiety attacks, and suffered from tachycardia. I was always depressed and believed I had wasted my life. I could not see a way out or imagine a better future.

During that time, I received an invitation to the Universal Church. I accepted it and attended a service. After that first meeting, I felt different. I began to have hope and decided to continue going. The Word of God changed my thoughts and gave me the confidence and strength to walk away from that relationship without pain.

As I kept attending the meetings, through the power of prayer, I was healed from my health issues. Even more important, I was healed inside. Although I ended that relationship, I forgave my ex-husband. As I focused on rebuilding myself and investing in my relationship with God, I received the Holy Spirit, who brought a complete transformation within me. I found an unshakable peace and a strength that no one could take away.

Eventually, I met someone in the church and began a new relationship. Before anything else, the Holy Spirit cleansed us of the negative things we carried from our past. We both made a serious commitment to God and to obey His will, because we understood that nothing is more important than walking in His ways.

Seeking His blessing, we were married at the Altar. Many people had told me that no one could be happy in love after a divorce, especially with children, but thanks to the guidance of the Holy Spirit and the chain of prayer for my love life, today I can say that I am happy in love. I have a stable marriage and a joyful family.

Sandy

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The last shall be the first

Purpose

Maybe the start of this year was not your best, and that is okay. This last month is your chance to turn things around. Believe bigger, push harder, and trust that God will do His part. Everything begins with one decision. Change your mindset and let God take the lead.

Join us every Sunday at 1:00 pm in a city near you.

Positive Changes



I grew up in a troubled home and ran away at 13, spending years feeling lost and misunderstood. As I got older, I knew I needed real change in my life. When I came to the church and gave my life to God, I finally found the guidance and comfort I had been searching for. After I was baptized, the stress I carried for so long lifted, and I discovered the peace and hope that only God can give.

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The Power of prayer

People are overwhelmed with problems, but many do not know what they need to do to solve them, nor can they cope with them. This is because they lack the direction to resolve them and the strength to resist them. When faced with a difficult situation, they find no haven and, therefore, end up in despair. The fact is that they are unaware of a powerful tool (or they know it but do not use it) that can help them in this regard: prayer. In the midst of a troubled life and with so many challenges to overcome every day, prayer becomes a necessity, and those who practice it have a relationship with the Almighty and, consequently, intimacy with Him, because, when you pray, He acts in your favor and grants you direction, strength, relief, peace, and whatever else you need to sustain yourself, even when everything seems lost.

Prayer is a remedy to combat all evil, but, more than that, it is a channel of communication that can be used for a person to take refuge in the Shelter of the Most High and obtain from Him what is written: "...you have made the Most High your dwelling place. No evil will befall you, nor will any plague come near your tent. For he will command his angels concerning you to guard you in all your ways" (Psalm 91:9-11).

An intimate conversation with God

If prayer is a refuge from all evil, why do many people not use it? There are those who see the Bible only as a text, as a theory, and therefore do not take into account that the practice of what is written in it produces results. Some usually pray only for the resolution of a problem or for the realization of a dream and, thus, make a list of petitions to God, but only that. It is not forbidden to make requests of God, but by restricting prayer only to that, a person fails to enjoy its true effects. More than a way to request blessings, prayer is a true conversation with God, full of recognition, gratitude, praise, and even revolt against the situation and not against God, but always loyal, because that is what pleases Him.

It is important to know that the Creator asks us, in addition to obedience to Him, for a moment in which we withdraw to give Him special attention and during which He speaks to us directly. Yes, praying is also listening and not just speaking. When we make a sincere and honest prayer to God, we open our hearts to the Lord—the prayer in spirit and in truth that the Bible literally speaks of. And then, as we meditate on His Word, we hear His answer.

How to pray

"Prayer is one of the fundamental tools for achieving through faith. There is no faith without prayer and no prayer without faith. If God Himself, in the Person of the Lord Jesus, had to pray, imagine us! The Apostle Paul said that we must pray continually. Many even believe in God, but not in the power of prayer."

The Lord Jesus prayed to God in his moment of greatest affliction, when he was in Gethsemane, hours before sacrificing his life on the Cross: "And going a little farther, he fell on his face and prayed, saying, 'My Father, if it is possible, let this cup pass from me; yet not as I will, but as you will.' (...) And going away again, he prayed, saying, 'My Father, if this cup cannot pass from me unless I drink it, your will be done.' (...) And leaving them again, he went away and prayed a third time, saying the same words." (Matthew 26:39, 42, 44).

New Year's Eve Vigil

We invite everyone to join us for the special New Year's Eve Vigil on December 31 at 10 PM in all Universal Church locations. In this extraordinary meeting, we will determine the transformation of the lives of all participants in every area of life through the power of prayer. Come and experience the presence of God, receive guidance for the year ahead, and commit your life to His care. To learn more about the power of prayer and to participate in this special vigil, visit the closest Universal Church to you.



For 18 years, I was trapped in a life of addiction and crime.

nyone who knows me would never today Limagine my past," he says. "I am a married man, a hard worker, and whenever I can, I evangelize the young people I meet. But for 18 years, I was immersed in all kinds of drugs—alcohol, cigarettes, inhalants, marijuana, cocaine, and crack. I was also involved in drug trafficking. I had two jobs and still stole to support my addiction, and despite being married, I had ten mistresses."

A painful past

Titaian attributes his actions to the pain he carried from childhood. "I was sexually abused by a close relative. At nine, my father, a civil police officer, was murdered. The grief and resentment I carried led me into rebellion and drugs. In my youth, I even experienced demonic manifestations that predicted my imprisonment and death at 35," he recalls.

A turning point

Ironically, the person who brought him to the Universal Church was one of the women he was involved with. "I had no idea what to expect, and I was under the influence of drugs that day. During the meeting, I made a vow: if God freed me from persecution and helped me take care of my family, I would surrender myself. I felt physically ill, sweating and trembling, but

when I got up, I realized I was already different and free from addiction. I never wanted to use drugs again," he says.

Deliverance and spiritual awakening

Titaian shared everything with his wife and distanced himself from other women and criminal activity. "Eventually, my wife joined me at the Universal Church. I overcame spiritual ignorance through prayer and



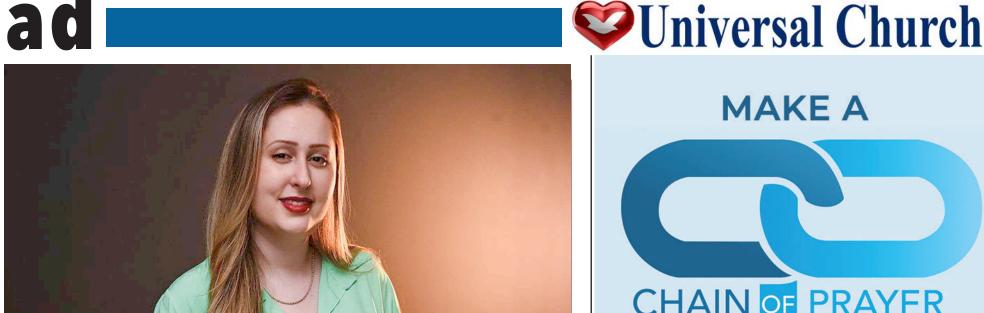
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dedication. One night, locked in the bathroom with the Bible, God opened my understanding. I also received the Holy Spirit during a midnight prayer meeting with other volunteers, and I understood that true freedom comes from the Presence of God," he says.



Strengthened faith

Titaian now lives a life of honesty and dedication. "I stopped lying, stealing, and deceiving. I dedicate myself to God every day. I rebuilt my relationship with my mother, who is now my friend. My wife and I attend church meetings and the Love Therapy, which I consider essential for our relationship. I advise anyone facing situations like mine to seek God with an open heart. Perseverance brings learning and strengthens faith," he concludes.



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orn into a traditionally religious Isolated from faith family, Doris Luvizute grew up accustomed to the liturgies, but not to true faith.

At age ten, she was diagnosed with chronic headaches that affected her studies and quality of life. Sensitive to light, she spent much of her time in a dark room, and the medication caused bloating. During one severe episode,

Doris was hospitalized, and two Universal Church members, friends of her parents, visited her and prayed. She improved and was discharged.

The couple challenged her parents: if they took her to a Friday church meeting and nothing happened, they would not have to go back. They accepted. "I remember feeling peace when I arrived at the church. The pastor prayed, and I believed. At that very moment, the pain disappeared. My mother says that when we got home, I was so sure I was free that I threw away the

had those crises," she recalls.

God was not taken seriously

The miracle deeply impacted her parents, been completely unhappy," she concludes. who abandoned their previous religion and embraced a true biblical faith. However, Doris did not develop her own faith. "I went for the fun, to distract myself. I only cared about what God could give me. I looked at my friends' lives, their dating, their parties, and I wanted the world's offerings. Over time, I drifted away."

For more than five years, Doris remained away from the church and from God, immersed in her ambitions, relationships, and the influence of the wrong friends. When the COVID-19 pandemic began, she found herself alone and fearful, reflecting on the condition of her soul.

She began watching online services. "Listening to the services, I understood what

> was wrong in my life. I broke up with that boyfriend and distanced myself from bad friendships. As soon as inperson services returned, I was baptized in water and began building a solid relationship with God," she shares.

Valuing God

Doris received the Holy Spirit in an unusual way—praying in bathroom at work after facing an injustice. "At that moment, I felt peace and certainty that I had received the Holy Spirit. Today, I deeply value my faith. God built His

medicine. I returned to school and no longer character in me. The person I am today is incomparable to who I was. If my family had not come to the Universal Church, we would not have known God, and we would have

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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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A life of: crime, pain, and addictions.



Anderson's life was once marked by crime, addiction, and pain, but an unexpected encounter changed everything.

Growing up surrounded by alcohol and violence, Anderson began drinking at nine and using marijuana by twelve. Encouraged to be "tough," he got into fights, petty theft, and eventually drug trafficking.

This path led to cocaine use, armed robberies, and a life spinning out of control. During one robbery, Anderson fled from the police and ran into a Universal Church where a service was taking place. A pastor shouted, "Don't shoot him!"

Those words echoed in his mind. Minutes later, he was arrested in the church parking lot, but that moment became the turning point of his life. In prison, Anderson met the Universal



Church evangelism group and learned about the Holy Spirit for the first time. Determined to change, he surrendered his life to God one night, praying for a new beginning. The next morning, he felt transformed—free on the inside even while still behind bars.

His transformation was so visible that other inmates said he looked like he was "at a spa" because of the peace and joy he carried. After serving three years and three months, Anderson was released on parole, and his record was eventually cleared.

Today, he is a business owner in the renovation field, married to a woman of God, and committed to helping others.

Where once there was destruction, he now brings life. Where once there was pain, he now shares peace.



Be very careful whenever you catch yourself saying, "I want." When it comes to important decisions, this phrase often signals the beginning of choices driven by pride, vanity, or stubbornness. These choices can end up harming you and the people around you.

This is not about simple daily preferences, but about decisions that impact relationships, finances, and spiritual life.

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Many people cling to "I want" to prove they are right, to reject advice, or to win an argument. Sometimes this desire comes from old wounds, a need to get even, to show independence, or to feed a sense of self-importance.

The problem is that these desires are never harmless. When "I want" is rooted in the ego, it becomes a door to impulsive decisions and painful consequences. Immediate desires often deceive us.

Just as a child insists on dessert before lunch, adults are tempted to choose what is pleasant and quick, ignoring what is wise.

Alack of discipline produces disorganized lives, fragile relationships, and financial chaos. Successful people learn to tell themselves "no."

Those who say "yes" to every desire

e very careful whenever you catch yourself saying, "I want." When it comes to important decisions, against us. eventually lose their direction. The Bible warns us that our own desires can turn against us.

That is why Jesus taught us to pray, "Not as I will, but as You will" (Matthew 26:39), and in the Lord's Prayer, "Your will be done" (Matthew 6:10). God asks for this surrender not to restrict us, but to protect us from our own impulsiveness.

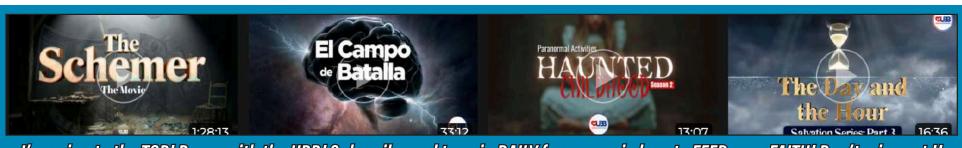
Whenever you notice yourself insisting on "I want," pause and ask:

Is this desire coming from pride?
From vanity?
From hurt?
From stubbornness?

If you are unsure, surrender your will to God and ask for His direction: "Lord, I place this desire in Your hands. Show me what is best."

God's will always leads to what is good, perfect, and pleasing. Ours, many times, does not.







Micronesian community in action

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Hi, my name is Andon Manuel, and I would like to share my testimony.

Before coming to the Universal Church, my life was full of darkness. I was involved in stealing, smoking, and drinking. I drank and smoked because I was depressed and wanted my life to end. Deep inside, I knew these habits were destroying me. I used them to fill the emptiness that I carried inside my heart.

I lied constantly. I lied to impress people and to make myself look important. I often looked back at my life and said, "I will do better tomorrow," but every day I

"My life was a disaster."

made the same mistakes in different ways. At home, we had many problems. We argued often, and I felt worthless, to the point where I believed my family did not want me around. I did not realize how much my behavior was hurting them.





When I started coming to the Universal Church, I began to understand what God can do in a person's life. Still, at first, I did not want to believe it.

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On 2/15/24, I was baptized in water, but I did not receive the Holy Spirit because I did it only to impress others. This happened again during my second, third, and fourth baptisms. I was not doing it for God. I was doing it for people.

On my fifth baptism, I felt something and thought it was the Holy Spirit, but I later learned that the Holy Spirit is not based on feelings. I also struggled with trust, especially trust in God.

I knew He was real, but I did not truly believe He was

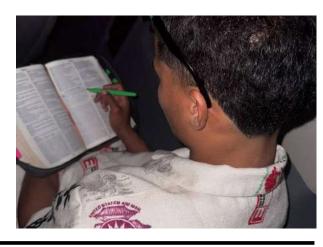




with me, even though He kept blessing me with a job and answering my prayers.

Everything changed on my sixth baptism. This time, I told myself that I would seek the Holy Spirit with sincerity. On 9/19/25, I was delivered from the evil spirit that had been holding me back. And on 9/20/25, I truly repented. At that moment, I knew I had received the Holy Spirit.

Since then, I have found peace with my family, and most importantly, peace within myself.



Children's consecration

This past Sunday, the Micronesian community of the Universal Church gathered for a special and meaningful event: the monthly Consecration of the Children. This tradition is rooted in the teachings of the Word of God, which says, "Let the little ones come to Me, for theirs is the Kingdom of Heaven," and, "Teach a child in the way they should





go, and when they are old, they will not depart from it." During the service, the children were anointed with Holy Oil as a prayer for God's protection, healing, and guidance. Many families shared that their children face challenges such as health concerns, sleep difficulties, and emotional struggles. Through the anointing, parents and pastors united their faith, believing that God's blessing would rest upon each child. Parents were also anointed, acknowledging that the spiritual



and emotional

atmosphere of the home directly affects the upbringing of the children. The pastor emphasized that many adults today struggle to be the example their children need and deserve, and that strengthening the parents is essential to strengthening the family. As the saying goes, "The family that prays together stays together." The Universal Church invites all families, regardless of background, culture, or religion, to take part in this special blessing. Services are held every Sunday at 10 AM, and the doors are open to anyone seeking spiritual support for themselves and their loved ones.

Did you know?

In the Universal Church, we do not baptize newborn babies. The Word of God teaches that baptism is a personal and conscious decision, a commitment to turn away from a life of sin and begin



a new life with God. A child does not yet have the understanding or maturity to make such a choice. For this reason, we consecrate children instead of baptizing them. Through consecration, parents present their child to God, asking for His protection and guidance. As the child



grows and reaches the age of understanding,

they will have the opportunity to surrender their life to God and make their own decision to be baptized in water

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Unisocial Florida brings hope and gratitude to the Ronald McDonald House Charities

Church brought warmth, compassion, and togetherness to families at the Ronald McDonald House Charities during this Thanksgiving season through its Unisocial outreach program. Since 1974, RMHC has been a beacon of hope and support for families whose children are undergoing medical treatment, offering a comforting home away from home near hospitals where essential care is provided. Many of these young patients face life threatening illnesses such as cancer, rare genetic disorders like spinal muscular atrophy, complications from



premature birth, and other chronic or complex medical challenges.

Inspired by this mission, the Universal Church sought to share love, unity, laughter, and peace with the families participating in this special Thanksgiving event.

The Unisocial team arrived with hearts full of purpose and hands full of joy. The day began



with a prayer for strength, uplifting families and children who face unimaginable



battles. The team then provided games, toys, entertainment, and a heartfelt puppet show that highlighted the meaning of gratitude and the belief that God is the source of true joy and hope.

While families come to RMHC to care for their physical needs, the Unisocial team accommodated those needs while also focusing on their spiritual and emotional well-being. Volunteers offered prayers, counseling, and encouraging words tailored to each family's personal struggles.

One of the most touching moments came from the testimonies shared by parents. Many of them navigate fear, sadness, and uncertainty while

trying to stay strong for their children. One mother tearfully shared the pain of being denied hospital treatment, yet her strength was renewed when she witnessed the joy on her daughter's face during the Unisocial



Thanksgiving event. The children also expressed their talents through performances, reminding everyone that even in the midst of hardship there is always a reason to give thanks.

This mission reflects the heart of our Unisocial work across the United States. For us, this is not simply community service, but a lifestyle of compassion, service, and faith. None of this would be possible without the dedicated volunteers and generous sponsors who give cheerfully and wholeheartedly.

Seeing families smile, relax, and enjoy











meaningful moments together is what fuels the Unisocial team's commitment to continue serving. The presence of God was felt throughout the day, leaving families and RMHC staff grateful for the peace, joy, and hope shared with them.

And this is only the beginning. Unisocial will continue to save souls and give back to the community, one act of love at a time.





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