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Tired and overwhelmed

Life can be full of surprises. Unfortunately, not all of them are pleasant. Take setbacks, for example. They can affect every area of our lives, including our finances, health, family, relationships, and even our emotional well-being. Most of the time, they come without warning and happen when we least expect them. Sometimes they appear at the worst possible moment. Other times, they come one after another.

These unpleasant surprises can leave us feeling tired and overwhelmed. In the blink of an eye, problems can show up, and small issues can turn into major crises. Maybe you have felt this way before, like you cannot catch a break. The weight of your problems may feel so heavy that you have even thought about giving up on life. But do not do it. There is a light at the end of the tunnel, and reaching that light is easier than you may think.

We, as human beings, were never meant to carry the weight of our problems alone. Jesus said, "Come to Me, all you who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest. Take My yoke upon you and learn from Me, for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. "For My yoke is easy and My burden is light" (Matthew 11:28 30). This powerful invitation from the Lord Jesus is for everyone who is tired of carrying their burdens. He wants to lift the weight off your shoulders, remove the pain from your life, and give you true peace. To receive this promise, you must seek the Lord and surrender your life completely to Him.

Trade the broken and heavy life you no longer want for the new, fulfilled, and complete life God offers. Until now, you may have been fighting these battles alone, depending only on your own strength, and adding more suffering to your life. Jesus wants to free you from this burden. All He asks is that you recognize your need for Him and seek His presence.

That is why, at the Universal Church, we hold daily meetings that focus on different areas of life. These meetings provide a place for you to seek strength from God, learn practical steps to place your burdens in His hands, and receive His peace and power. Join us today at your nearest Universal Church.

| Beating Depression |

Sometimes life's struggles can be so intense that it feels like the world has turned gray. All joy, anticipation and excitement fade, giving way to a profound sense of weariness. This is what depression does. It weighs down the soul with sorrow. It brings hopelessness, drains motivation, and makes even the simplest tasks feel impossible. And unfortunately, in the most severe of cases, it can even take away a person's desire to live.

Depression is more than just feeling sad or a state of mind, it is a sickness of the soul. Yet, hope is not lost. With faith, it's possible to restore what has been lost and recover the joy, strength, and purpose that was stolen. The Lord Jesus, has the power to heal the soul and restore color into your life.

Every Sunday, The Universal Church opens its doors to those who are battling depression. If you need support, we invite you to visit a branch near you. Join a 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 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 beat depression.

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Bishop Edir Macedo



What are you tired of?



In this world, all of us get tired at some point. But the real question is this: What are you tired of? Suffering or fighting?

There is a huge difference between these two attitudes.

Those who are tired of suffering may have faced fear. At some point in life, they may have felt so overwhelmed that they wanted to hide. But when they reach their limit, something changes. They decide to take a stand. They face their problems. They confront their fears. And they turn defeat and shame into victory.

This is what Gideon did.

Gideon was called by God to change his life and the life of an entire nation because of his attitude of resistance and faith:

"Now the Angel of the Lord came and sat under the terebinth tree which was in Ophrah, which belonged to Joash the Abiezrite, while his son Gideon threshed wheat in the winepress, in order to hide it from the Midianites." Judges 6:11

Gideon was afraid, but he did not surrender to fear. He kept working. He kept moving forward. And God used him in a powerful way.

Elijah, on the other hand, had already experienced great victories and powerful deliverance from

God. Yet, after receiving a threatening message and becoming frustrated with the unbelief and ingratitude of the people of Israel, he grew tired of fighting. He asked God to take his life and hid inside a cave. Fear overtook him, and God had to raise someone else to continue the mission.

"Also you shall anoint Jehu the son of Nimshi as king over Israel. And Elisha the son of Shaphat of Abel Meholah you shall anoint as prophet in your place." 1 Kings 19:16

So tell me, what are you tired of? Suffering or fighting? Your answer will determine your direction. Out of the cave or into one.



He relied on faith for his healing

tors could see that it was very advanced and aggressive, although they could not confirm the exact stage at that time. My world fell apart.

They immediately started me on chemotherapy, but they were not sure how my body would respond or if I would respond at all. I was hospitalized for treatment. I remember the doctor speaking with my family and telling them there was a low chance I would survive.

But my wife had already been attending church and praying for me. She made a chain of prayer on Tuesday for my healing and brought me blessed items from the church to the hospital. While I was there, I also watched the church services online and listened to testimonies that encouraged me.

Even though I became very weak, lost all my hair, and saw many people die who were receiving the

same treatment, I stayed strong and kept going because of my faith in God. I refused to accept my condition and held on to the Word and the promises of God.

After some time, my test results started coming back normal, with no signs of the disease. The leukemia disappeared. I had not been on chemotherapy for very long and was already on the list for a bone marrow transplant, but suddenly I began to improve. The doctors could not explain it. From a medical point of view, it should not have been possible. But God performed a miracle."



Before



“If you can believe, all things are possible to him who believes.”

Mark 9:23

“She received a death sentence.”



Vanessa, 41, is a technical analyst. In 2017, her faith was put to the test. During routine annual exams, doctors discovered nodules on the right side of her neck. “It was papillary thyroid cancer, a level 6 malignant tumor. I read the test results by myself before seeing the doctor, and I was devastated. I cried a lot because once you hear the word cancer, it feels like receiving a death sentence,” she says.

“I had surgery, and when the pathology report came back, it showed that no additional treatment was necessary,” she adds. Vanessa believed she was cured. However, a year later, follow up exams brought unexpected news. New nodules had appeared. “It turned out to be metastasis. Both the ultrasound and the biopsy found another level 6 tumor on the left side of my cervical region,” she explains. “At that point, I decided to rely on my faith again. Using the blessed water, I began to pray that the nodules would disappear.

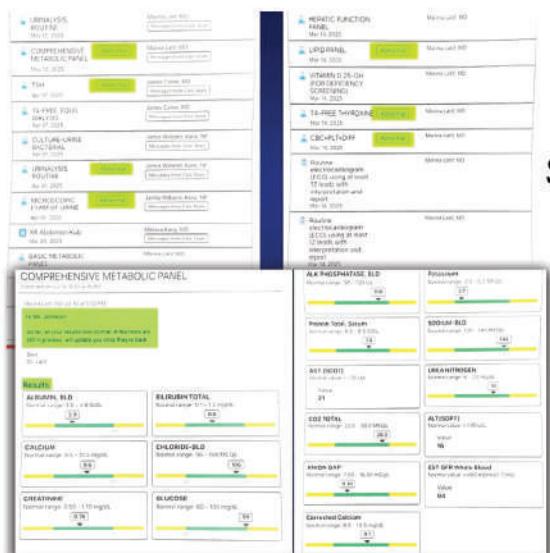
I also did not want to go through radioiodine therapy again, which was a possible treatment after surgery,” she recalls.

Then something remarkable happened on the day of the operation. “During the cervical dissection surgery, the biopsy showed that everything was normal. The doctor had planned to inject a radioactive liquid because the nodules were very small and he could not find them. To everyone’s surprise, there was no malignant nodule.”



“My test results are no longer abnormal.”

I used to have many complaints every time I went to the doctor. Most of my blood work always came back abnormal.



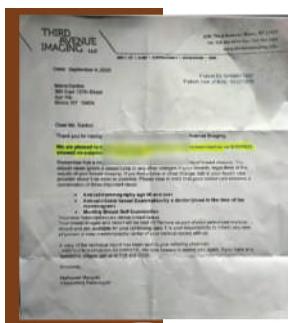
I learned about this ministry while watching the Showdown of Faith. Since I started attending, I have been praying and drinking the blessed water.

My most recent test results now show that everything is normal.
Ms. Johnson



“The results came back showing no cancer or anything like it.”

In January, I received a letter from my doctor saying that I had a small mass, about the size of a pea, in my left breast. At that time, I was referred for a mammogram, but because of issues with my insurance, it took a long time to get it done. Last August, I was finally able to have the mammogram.



A few weeks ago, I received another letter stating that I do not have cancer or anything like that. I am free.

Maria



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MESSAGE |

Bishop Joshua

Nothing is too hard for God



We all face moments when something feels impossible, so heavy and overwhelming that we cannot see a way forward. In Numbers 11:23, we find a powerful question from God: "Has the Lord's arm been shortened?" In other words, do you really think there are limits to what I can do? This verse reminds us that what feels impossible to us is never impossible for God.

Think about something simple, like learning how to drive. At first, it feels overwhelming. Your hands grip the steering wheel too tightly, your feet hesitate over the pedals, and every sound makes you nervous. It is hard to believe that one day driving will feel natural, almost automatic. Yet with time and practice, what once felt impossible becomes routine.

That is often how life works with God. We look at our situations, lack, uncertainty, broken relationships, unanswered prayers, and assume they are too complicated or too far gone to be restored. But Numbers 11:23 reminds us that God's power has no limits. What overwhelms us does not overwhelm Him. Just as we learn to trust the process when learning something new, faith calls us to trust God's power even when everything looks impossible.

His arm is not too short.

Not for your situation.

Not for your need.

Not for your breakthrough.

The Lord said to Moses, "Has the Lord's arm been shortened? Now you shall see whether what I say will happen to you or not." Numbers 11:23

May the God of the Bible bless you.

"I thought I was already dead inside until God gave me a new life."

My name is Andreia. I am 50 years old, and for 28 years of my life, I suffered from depression.

My pain did not begin in adulthood. It started when I was only six years old. My mother was 47 when I was born, and people often said she looked like my grandmother. Those comments hurt me deeply. I grew up feeling different and out of place. My siblings already had their own lives and routines, and I felt like there was no space for me. We were twelve children. Today, only seven of us are still alive.

I became a very isolated child. I felt ashamed to talk to people, so I kept everything locked inside.

As a teenager, things got worse. My father, who was my hero, suffered a stroke and remained bedridden for five years. That completely broke me emotionally. Around that time, I started drinking. Alcohol became my escape. When I drank, I would say my name was Vanessa, because I truly became another person. It felt like Andreia no longer existed.

In my adult years, I went through something even more painful. One night, while I was drinking, I was abused. From that situation, a relationship developed. Later, I found out the man I was with was involved in crime, but by then I was already emotionally dependent. I stayed with him for almost three years and ended up getting involved in things I should not have. I sank deeper and deeper into that life.

At one point, I betrayed him. When he found out, he wanted to kill me. He took me to a remote place with that intention, but he did not go through with it. I never told anyone what I was living through. Instead, I drank even more, trying to numb the pain.

Later, I was in a serious car accident. My left arm was badly injured, it became shrunken, and I needed surgery to place a metal plate with five pins. The doctors said my arm would never return to normal. That news pushed me even further into depression. I was taking strong medication, suffered from constant headaches, and could not sleep. I spent many nights wide awake.

I felt an emptiness that nothing could fill. I started seeing shadows and hearing voices telling me to throw myself off my apartment balcony. I lived alone at the time. I would lock myself in a dark room, afraid of my own thoughts.

I felt completely alone. I could not count on my family or on the people I called friends. The desire to die grew stronger each day. I even wrote a farewell letter saying there would be no funeral or wake because I was already dead, I just



needed to make it official.

But I did not end my life.

One day, while watching television, a program from the Universal Church came on. I heard a man talking about a situation exactly like mine. He said there was a way out. It took time, but I decided to go to the Universal Church. From the first day I went, it felt like I saw a light. That night, I was finally able to sleep.

Even after I started attending church, I still had many doubts. I did not fully believe. It took me four years to truly understand what faith and obedience meant. I realized I needed to change my

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life for real.

My deliverance was not easy. Because of my past, I did not believe God could forgive me. But I understood something important. I wanted God, and He wanted me. That was enough to begin. Little by little, everything started to change. My arm recovered. I was freed from addictions, pain, and inner conflicts. When I had a true encounter with God, I killed Vanessa. I left that old life behind and surrendered myself completely.

During the Daniel Fast, I received the Holy Spirit, and that was the greatest moment of my life. It felt like being born again. The sadness, the destructive thoughts, the habit of blaming others, and the emotional instability were all left in the past.

Today, I help my family. By God's grace, I have become an example. I got married, and I have a new life. I still face struggles, but now it is different. I can face problems without letting them destroy me inside. There is a divine strength within me.

I know with all my heart that without the Holy Spirit, none of this would be possible. He is everything to me. Without Him, life has no meaning.

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What's happening at Universal

He thought his life was over



addictions controlled his life and eventually drove him to the point of trying to take his own life. But through God, he received a second chance.

"I was addicted to marijuana, cocaine, alcohol, and even gambling. These addictions destroyed my marriage. Year after year, instead of getting better, I only got worse. The deeper I went into my addictions, the more I pushed away the person who loved me. I became very aggressive and verbally abusive. I remember my wife begging me to change, warning that one day she would leave. I did not listen, and that is exactly what happened. One day I came home, and she was gone."

When my marriage ended, I fell into deep depression. It became so intense that I started planning my suicide. I remember telling myself, 'In 24 hours, I am going to take my life.' While flipping through television channels, I came across the Universal Church program. The testimonies immediately caught my attention. I saw people whose lives and marriages were even worse than mine, yet they had been transformed and restored. I saw that as my opportunity, and

Years of struggles with drugs, alcohol, and gambling led Guilleherme, 39, to lose his first marriage. His

I decided to go to church.

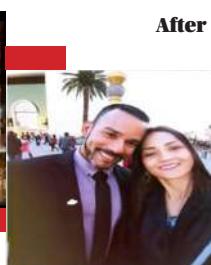
When I arrived, I realized I needed inner healing. I let go of the baggage from my past, abandoned my addictions, and stopped doing what was wrong. I decided to turn my life around. I listened, obeyed, and put into practice everything I learned. After my encounter with God, I became a new man. My character changed, and my family began to notice the difference.

When I understood that God had to come first in everything, and then my family, my life truly began to change. I made a commitment to seek the Holy Spirit and surrendered my entire life to God. That day, I found a joy and peace that words cannot describe. God became my Father, I became His son, and I was no longer alone.

Not long after that, I met my current wife at Love Therapy. We started talking, then dating. Six months later, we got engaged, and six months after that, we got married. Today, I have a beautiful marriage filled with love. All of this happened because I received the Holy Spirit, who changed my life from the inside out. God gave me a second chance at life."



Before



After

ROC the Mic at YPG New Jersey brought together many youths who confidently showcased their incredible talents in a powerful and uplifting atmosphere. The night was followed by a strong word of faith and impactful encouragement from a Juvenile Officer, reminding everyone to walk in purpose, make wise choices, and believe in their God-given potential.



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Positive Changes

Hello everyone, my name is Mya and I'm from the YPG in New York. Before coming to YPG, I struggled with depression and anxiety, and because of my adoption I often felt alone and neglected. When I joined YPG, being around youths in the presence of God helped me open up without feeling judged, and I was finally able to receive the help I needed. Today, I am completely changed—filled with the Holy Spirit, walking in peace and joy, and serving God everywhere I go. And it all started with coming to YPG.

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ARE YOU TIRED AND OVERWHELMED?



"Come to me, all you who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you and learn from me, for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. For my yoke is easy and my burden is light." (Matthew 11:28-30). This wonderful invitation was given by the Lord Jesus to all who are tired of carrying so many problems. He wants to remove their weight and pain and give them peace. However, to receive this relief and be able to rest, it is necessary to take the attitude of seeking the Savior above all else.

Based on the understanding that the Lord Jesus calls everyone without exception, it is necessary to understand that the person must also fulfill the request and go to Him. Going to Him means surrendering your life into His hands. Perhaps until now you have struggled alone, and with your own strength, you have only accumulated suffering. But now Jesus wants to take this burden from you. So, recognize that you need Him and submit to His will, for He does not invade anyone's life. Committing to Jesus means renouncing yourself to live a life that pleases Him, and when this happens, all the weariness and all the burdens resulting from problems, worries, and oppressions give way to relief.

The Lord Jesus has already anticipated that with Him, the burden is light. This means that, although struggles continue to exist, when we stop practicing our own will to practice His will, we receive guidance to make the right decisions and thus achieve true peace, as it is written in Romans 5:1: "Therefore, since we have been justified through faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ." "Through faith, we have peace with God. This peace means the tranquility of our conscience when we carry within us the certainty of Divine forgiveness. Peace in the conscience comes when there is nothing that accuses us before God and when we are no longer enslaved by sin. The Holy Spirit made it very clear, through the words of Paul, that this peace with God is the result of faith based on the Person of the Lord Jesus. Therefore, it cannot be achieved through religiosity or good works. This peace begins to take hold of our being when we come to the Altar and surrender ourselves body, soul, and spirit to God. Having peace does not mean not going through struggles. On the contrary, outwardly we may face great conflicts, but inwardly we will be at peace, for we have been reconciled with God through the blood of His beloved Son.

From this surrender, God begins to care for the person, and even if, in human eyes, their situation seems insurmountable, they do not despair – on the contrary, they trust in Him, as did the people whose stories you will read in the following pages.

The search for love became a heavy burden until she found true relief

Until the age of 10, the life of Leticia, a 36-year-old quality analyst, was peaceful. As the youngest daughter, she grew up seeing her family as united and her father as a hero. During her teenage years, however, that image was shattered when she discovered his alcoholism, abuse, and infidelity toward her mother. Her pain grew even deeper when her mother was diagnosed with lupus and passed away shortly after. Leticia was only 16.

Carrying anger and resentment, she sank into emotional emptiness and a series of frustrating relationships. She was baptized in water, but without giving up her own will. Searching for relief, she became involved in harmful spiritual practices and went even deeper into pain. "My lowest point was alcohol, drugs, and prostitution. I felt suffocated and completely lost," she recalls.

Although she appeared happy and independent on social media, the reality was very different. She was depressed, empty, and unhappy. The burden became even heavier when her older sister developed a serious kidney disease and, later, her father suffered a stroke and passed away. When it seemed that her own life was falling apart, Leticia

met Someone who would change everything.

She had heard about the work of the Universal Church, but because of false information, she believed what was preached there was not true. Seeing her pain, an acquaintance shared her personal experience at the Church.

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through water baptism, I truly gave my life to God."

To make sure the burden would never return, Leticia understood that she needed not a tattoo, but a seal that would guarantee her name in the Book of Life. "I sacrificed everything God asked of me to receive the baptism with the Holy Spirit. Then I heard God say, 'My daughter, I have always wanted you and I have always loved you.' That was when I understood that the love I had been searching for was in God," she says.

Today, she is happy and feels loved, respected, and valued by Him. Free from the weight of the past, she serves God willingly and helps bring hope to those who are far from His presence.

Leticia then decided to put aside her prejudice and attend a service. She describes what happened next: "First, I repented for turning my back on God's Altar and seeking the altar of evil spirits. I had already forgiven my father while he was still alive, and I gave up all sins, alcohol, addictions, wrong friendships, and unhealthy relationships. I surrendered my will, and



“It felt like someone was crushing my soul.”

burden to her family. She tried to take her own life two more times.

One day at work, Janaina suffered facial paralysis. When she went out to seek help, she struggled to breathe, collapsed to the ground, and had a seizure. At that moment, having never experienced faith before, she says the only thought that crossed her mind was, “I am dying without knowing God.”

A way out for the weary

Janaina recovered, but she developed a deep fear of death and became afraid to sleep. Around that time, at 18 years old, she reconnected with a friend who invited

her to attend a service at the Universal Church. There, Janaina heard that Jesus would give rest to all who were weary and burdened and who sought His help. “Through that Word, I found what my soul needed, a way out. I began to see life differently and to work toward that, and everything started to fall into place,” she says.

Despite this first connection with faith, Janaina felt that something was still missing. “I told God that I was tired of those problems, that whirlwind of thoughts, and all the trauma in my life. I told Him that if I did not have the Prince of Peace in my life, I would not be able to go on,” she recalls. According to her, the change began from the

inside out.

“The one who gave me that peace was the Holy Spirit. When I was loved by Him, I was able to pass that love on. The first person who noticed was my mother. It had been years since I told her that I loved her, and in that moment, I hugged her and asked for forgiveness. Before, I thought I would die without seeing God, but from that day on, I began to live because I came to know God,” she concludes.

Janaina de Jesus lived for years in deep emotional suffering and attempted suicide three times until she found the relief she had been searching for. The separation of her parents was something Janaina de Jesus, a press advisor now 30 years old, never imagined would happen. The news of their divorce shattered her joy and destroyed the image of a happy family that she and her siblings once had. As a teenager, Janaina began looking for love and happiness in friends, parties, and relationships to fill what was missing at home. However, when she returned from those nights out, she faced a harsh reality. “In the middle of everyone, I laughed and smiled, but when I got home and opened the door to my bedroom, I found sadness and depression,” she says.

She also recalls being tormented by frequent nightmares. At one point, while trying to ease what she called the pain in her soul, Janaina turned to self-harm. During the cuts, she remembers that the emotional pain faded for a moment, but afterward, along with a deep sense of emptiness, the physical pain from the injuries remained. “It felt like someone was crushing my soul,” she explains.

Dying without God

The emotional suffering led Janaina into constant conflicts with her mother. After one of these arguments, she attempted suicide. From that day on, in addition to the resentment she felt toward her mother, she became haunted by thoughts that she should never have been born, believing she was a

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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 are 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.



1:16:42



27:35

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

Have you ever noticed how nature draws us in?

It is no coincidence that some of the most photographed things in the world are the sun, the ocean, the mountains, and the starry sky.

When we feel stressed, confused, or trapped, we naturally look for a park, a beach, or a wide horizon to stare at. There is something about nature that speaks to us and pulls us in.

The Bible explains this clearly. “The heavens declare the glory of God” Psalm 19:1. Creation communicates, even without words. That is why, when we search for hope, we often lift our eyes upward.

Deep down, it is as if we already know where help comes from. Even people who say they do not believe in God feel this pull. They may not recognize the Creator, but they

cannot deny the effect of creation. The universe operates under perfect laws. The sun, the moon, the stars, and the seasons all follow a precise order. Every law points to a Lawgiver. Humans did not create these laws, we only discovered them.

That is why Paul said that God's power and divine nature are clearly seen in what has been made. The evidence is right in front of everyone.

The problem is not a lack of proof. It is unwillingness. Acknowledging God means obeying Him, and many people choose denial so they do not have to change their lives. Still, even when we resist, creation continues to speak.

If you feel a strong connection with nature, understand this. There is a deeper need inside you, the desire to know the Creator of it all. He wants to reign in your life and give you a peace and calm that remain, even in the hardest moments.



At the age of 14, I got involved in a robbery. In my first robbery, I stole about 200 to 250 dollars. It was not much, but for a fourteen year old, it felt like a lot. That experience made me want more, and I went deeper into a life of crime.

I met a man who sold drugs, and I learned from him. Soon, I started selling cocaine myself. At first, I moved ten pounds, then fifteen to twenty pounds, and eventually more than fifty pounds at a time. As the money increased, so did the attention. I was making over 25000 dollars per cocaine sale.

I was bringing in a lot of money, but the police were already investigating the area where I lived because of heavy drug activity, and I was part of it. They hacked my phone, tracked my movements, and eventually arrested a friend and me. I spent two years in prison.

After my release, I went right back to the same lifestyle. I loaded a truck with goods and returned to selling drugs. I turned away from doing what was right and ended up in prison again. At that time, my girlfriend, who is now my wife, was pregnant.



I was transferred to a prison far away from her, and that shocked me. She

was exhausted and emotionally drained. That was when I realized I needed to change. I told her, “I am going to change my life. I spent eighteen years living this way, but if God exists, there has to be a way out.”

Around that time, my friend Jairo introduced me to the Universal Church, and I began attending services. I decided to be baptized in water, and I followed through with that decision. I stopped smoking cigarettes, but one night after leaving church, I gave in and used cocaine again. I felt deeply disappointed in myself.

I remembered the Bible verse where Jesus cursed the tree that did not bear fruit, and it encouraged me to curse this addiction out of my life. I knew I could not do this on my own. I needed the Holy Spirit.

Around 3:40 in the morning, I turned on the Universal Church channel. I woke up, prayed, and felt God speak to me, saying, “You are not alone. I am with you.” At that moment, I received the Holy Spirit, and it became the most incredible day of my life.

From that point on, I knew that if the devil ever tried to tempt me again, he would fail, because God Himself lives inside me. Today, I am free, and my transformation amazes my family. I have a wonderful wife, two beautiful children, and my financial life is also blessed.

Now, it is a joy to help others who face the same struggles I once did. I thank God for His mercy, for giving me another chance, and for allowing me to be an instrument in His hands. As a teenager, I never thought I would reach adulthood, but God restored my life



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Micronesian community in action

Faith brings hundreds together for first special service in Wonip

Wonip, Island Region, January 29

More than one hundred residents gathered at Central Wonip Elementary School on Wednesday for the first Special Service ever held in Wonip.

The event marked a historic moment for the local community. People traveled from different parts of the island, some walking long distances and others arriving by boat, to take part in the service



organized by the Universal Church.



The service focused on prayer, spiritual renewal, and the distribution of blessed water, which church leaders described as a symbol of faith and healing.

Prayers were offered for healing and deliverance, especially for individuals suffering from illnesses beyond medical treatment.

The service also addressed spiritual struggles such as nightmares, sleep paralysis, and

spiritual oppression.

Many attendees shared feelings



of hope and gratitude for the opportunity to receive spiritual support.

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During the service, the pastor spoke about the importance of surrendering one's life to God.

He referenced the biblical passage that describes Christ as the living water and emphasized faith as a source of spiritual renewal and strength.

Church representatives announced that outreach efforts will continue on



neighboring islands.

communities. Organizers described the gathering in Wonip as a strong and



Upcoming services are scheduled for February 5 on Tol Island, Foupo, and February 12 on Uman Island. They expressed hope that future



According to the Universal Church, this mission reflects its global commitment to spreading the Gospel to all regions of the world, including remote island

events will continue to bring spiritual encouragement and support to communities throughout the region.

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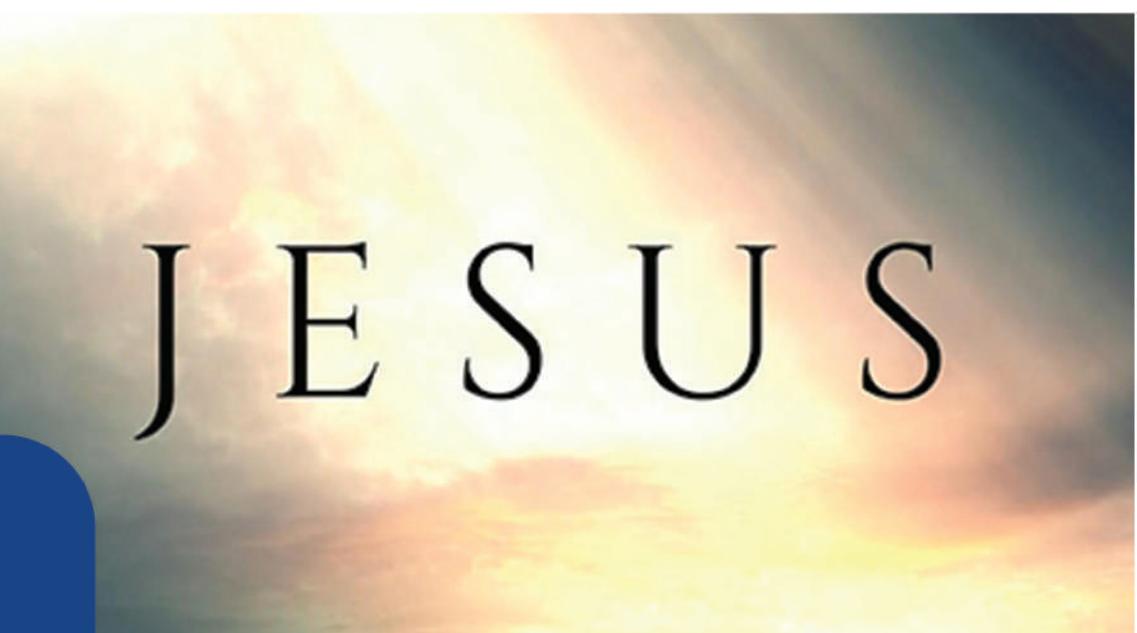
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Unisocial brings warmth to the streets of Connecticut

Recently, Unisocial carried out a special outreach through the Night Angels project on the streets of Connecticut. During these cold days, our volunteers went out with one main purpose: to show love, care, and faith to those who need it most.

Along with serving a hot bowl of soup, we distributed Bibles, books, and church newspapers, offering not only physical nourishment but also spiritual strength.



Many people opened their hearts, shared their struggles, and received prayer right there on the streets.

In the midst of the cold, Unisocial was able to bring warmth, hope, and the Word of God. This work reminds us that faith in action can reach lives and bring comfort, even in the hardest moments.



Unisocial visits a nursing home in Virginia



Caleb Group played games with the residents and shared inspiring words...

Unisocial recently visited a nursing home in Virginia to carry out a special outreach filled with care, love, and faith. During the visit, gift bags were distributed to the residents, bringing smiles and a sense of appreciation to everyone who received them.

The team also shared a prayer of faith, believing

for peace, strength, and comfort for the residents. Volunteers from the Caleb Group played games with the residents and shared inspiring words, creating moments of joy, connection, and encouragement.

This event brought warmth and comfort to all who participated, reminding us that a simple act of kindness

and faith can make a meaningful difference in people's lives.





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