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A special "Gathering of Faith and Miracles" brought together more than 100 people in Sioux City this week, marking the first visit of Bishop Joshua and his team to the state of Iowa.

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After noticing changes in her body, the young woman sought medical help and was diagnosed with a disease considered incurable.

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When "I'M FINE" is not the truth

WHAT I PRETEND TO FEEL

It's just a mask.

- excited
- happy
- motivated
- confident
- strong

WHAT I REALLY FEEL

The truth inside.

- anxious
- sad
- lonely
- overwhelmed
- exhausted




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Many are silently fighting financial struggles, broken families, troubled relationships, and even incurable diseases, while pretending everything is fine. In this edition, discover how lives were transformed and pain gave way to a completely new reality.

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Maintaining a facade

Have you ever been surprised when you saw someone in real life and realized they were completely different from what you saw on social media or TV? Their personality, their appearance, even their lifestyle did not match what they showed online. How many people have hidden depression behind a smile or by acting like the life of the party, only to later give up on life?

We live in a time where appearances matter more than reality. Many people hide who they really are to show something they are not. Social media has become the main stage for this, where people of all ages go to great lengths to cover up their real struggles.

But pretending only works for so long. At first, it may seem like it brings benefits, but they do not last. The happiness people show is often not real. It becomes a way to escape from the truth, from loneliness, pain, envy, fear, doubt, and betrayal.

Sooner or later, the truth comes out. Living this way is exhausting. Acting like everything is fine when it is not, putting on a strong face in hard times, pretending until you make it. This kind of life leads to serious consequences. There comes a point when you can no longer hide what is really going on, and everything surfaces. When that happens, many lose what they built on false appearances, relationships, businesses, and trust. Some even reach a point where they feel like giving up.

Is this your reality? Are you at your breaking point? Are you tired of pretending and looking for real peace and happiness? It is possible to change. But it starts with letting go of the need to appear strong and choosing to be honest. It may not be easy, but there is help in God. For Him to help you, you need to be sincere and open with Him.

| 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.

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Bishop Edir Macedo

Who can deceive God?



“But cursed is the deceiver who has in his flock a male, and takes a vow, but sacrifices to the Lord what is blemished, for I am a great King,” says the Lord of hosts, “and My name is to be feared among the nations” (Malachi 1:14).

Why are there so many people in church, even pastors, deacons, and members, yet still living under a curse? Because they have been living in deceit.

God is not like a human being. He is holy, and He knows everything about us. He knows who you are. He knows your thoughts, your intentions, and what is in your heart. Nothing is hidden from Him.

The prophet Jeremiah gives a strong warning: “Cursed is he who does the work of the Lord deceitfully” (Jeremiah 48:10).

God sees the heart. He knows when someone is truly serving Him and when someone is only serving themselves. He cannot be deceived. He has full knowledge of what is inside every person.

The apostle Paul said, “For this reason many are weak and sick among you, and many sleep” (1 Corinthians 11:30). In other words, many suffered and even died because they were living a false Christian life. These were people who made promises to God but did not follow through. They lived in deception.

The problem with someone who deceives is that they get so used to deceiving others that they think they



can deceive God. But God makes it clear who He is: “For I am a great King,” says the Lord of hosts, “and My name is to be feared among the nations” (Malachi 1:14). Those who deceive do not fear God, and because of that, they face the consequences.

If you recognize that you have been living this way, this is your moment to change. Take off the mask. Be honest before God. Humble yourself and speak to Him from your heart: “My God, I need You. I have been living in hypocrisy and deception. Forgive me and have mercy on me. I need Your help because I want to live the life You have for me.”

The door is always open for those who truly repent and surrender. God does not turn away anyone who comes to Him with sincerity.



“I had to put on a mask to go home”

ent person. I didn't show that I drank or used bad language outside. I was living a double life, and my parents had no idea.”

Ingrid admits that she experimented with drugs, but fear kept her from going further. She also struggled in her relationship with her father. “He wasn't aggressive, but I did the opposite of everything he taught me. Deep down, I knew the truth, but I couldn't live it. Still, whenever I faced a difficult moment, I remembered his advice.”

“It all started when I was 15. I wanted to live in the world and experience everything it had to offer. I loved parties and spent a lot of time in nightclubs,” she says.

Her job as a party promoter made it easier for her to live that lifestyle. “I used my job to get into nightclubs, but at home I acted like a completely differ-

there, so I had to put on my ‘perfect’ image and go back home,” she recalls.

Even then, it took time for her to fully surrender to God. “I had already been going to church and had been baptized in water. I asked God what I needed to do to receive the Holy Spirit, and He showed me that I needed to be honest with my parents. When I told them everything, it wasn't easy at first, but over time they saw that my change was real and let go of the past.”

Today, Ingrid no longer feels the need to live that lifestyle. “Now I can truly be myself. I don't hide anything from my parents, and we have a good relationship. The best part is having a clear conscience and living according to God's will.”

“All that anxiety about going to parties and posting pictures all the time is gone,” she says.

Everything began to change after a situation at a party. “Someone got sick, and it felt like no one cared, not even the people who could have helped. Everyone was out of control. I thought to myself, ‘What am I doing here?’ It felt like I didn't belong there anymore.”

That night marked a turning point. “I didn't want to stay

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

Mark 9:23

A bleeding that would not stop and the anguish of days of uncertainty

A bleeding that would not stop brought days of fear and uncertainty for 19-year-old Tauanny. In 2023, she started noticing red spots on her legs and blood blisters inside her mouth. After lab tests, doctors found that her platelet count was dangerously low, only three thousand, far below normal.

Soon after, her condition got worse. She experienced severe bleeding, weakness, and even collapsed at home, which led to her being hospitalized. She went through many tests, received treatment, and was transferred between hospitals as doctors tried to find answers. During the roughly 10 days she was hospitalized, moving from one hospital to another, Tauanny received 17 units of platelets and two blood transfusions. Even while following all the medical instructions, she held on to her faith. She continued drinking the water she dedicated to God, asking for healing.

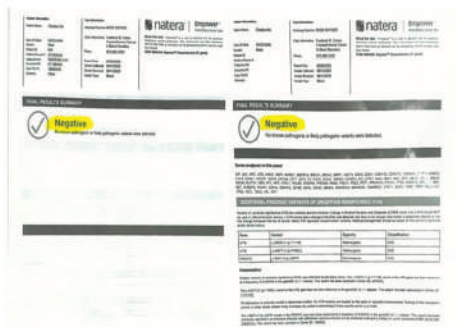
After more exams, doctors ruled out leukemia and diagnosed her with idiopathic thrombocytopenic purpura, an autoimmune disease. They treated her with corticosteroids, and she was later discharged to continue her recovery at home. Throughout the entire situation, Tauanny says she stayed calm, prayed often, and trusted God for her healing. Now, nearly three years later, she says she is completely healed.



There is no more cancer

I was diagnosed with prostate cancer. I remember going to the doctor for routine tests. Two or three weeks later, they called me back to the hospital because they needed to run more exams. After reviewing the results, the doctor looked at me and said, “Charles, I am sorry, but you have prostate cancer.” I was in shock. I told him I go for a checkup every year, but the diagnosis was clear. During that time, I started using the Blessed Water three times a day. I drank it faithfully and came to church determined to fight that diagnosis. I held on to my faith and believed I would not have cancer.

Today, I have the results in my hands. The exams show no cancer in my bones or anywhere else in my body. I cannot describe how happy and grateful I feel. Mr. Charles



There was blood in my urine

When I went in for a physical exam, the doctor told me and showed me that they had found blood in my urine. They wanted me to see a specialist, but I said I rebuke that situation. I had been using the Blessed Water, so I told the doctor, “Let me take the test again.” When I went back for the results, the doctor was smiling and holding them in his hand. He said, “Marjory, I do not know what you did, but your urine is clear now.” -Marjory

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| MESSAGE |

Bishop Joshua

You are not alone



Everyone knows what rejection feels like. It can come from a missed promotion, the school you hoped for, a failed relationship, or even from family. At some point in life, we all face that kind of disappointment. It hurts. No one likes feeling unwanted or overlooked.

Maybe that is where you are right now. It may feel like your family has given up on you, your finances are not getting better, and life has become lonely, like you are stuck on an island by yourself. But you are not alone. There is Someone far greater than us who also faced rejection and overcame it.

His rejection was not small. Many people despised Him, and even today, some still do.

“He is despised and rejected by men, a Man of sorrows and acquainted with grief. And we hid, as it were, our faces from Him; He was despised, and we did not esteem Him.” Isaiah 53:3

Even now, many people reject the Lord Jesus, but He overcame while He was here on earth, and you can overcome too. The rejection you feel is not the end of your story. Who better to walk with you through this than the Lord Jesus Himself?

If you feel rejected, lonely, or forgotten, take heart. He has not forgotten you. You can turn to Him at any moment, and He will meet you there.

You are not alone.

May the God of the Bible bless you.

Behind the mask

Tatiana Berto's life looked like one big party, but behind the scenes, it was the complete opposite.

When someone hides behind a mask, it means no one truly knows who they are. That was Tatiana Berto's reality for years. Now 25, the confectioner says her pain started at age 13, when her mother passed away. Feeling alone, she began looking for ways to feel accepted and loved.

At parties, she experienced moments of pleasure and excitement. At one of those events, someone offered her alcohol and drugs for the first time. What seemed like happiness did not last. Those moments quickly passed and left her facing a reality very different from the joy she felt during the celebration.

“It was four days of partying, and during that time I seemed happy. But when I got home, after that temporary joy was gone, I would lay my head on the pillow and just cry. A deep sadness would hit me, and none of it felt worth it,” she says.

Trying to fill the emptiness inside her, Tatiana reached a point where she could not go without alcohol or drugs. She also became involved with men who gave her those substances.

At 16, she noticed something was wrong with her body. “I went to the doctor, and that is when I found out I had a sexually transmitted disease. From that moment on, my life was never the same. I did not know what to do, and I felt desperate. But the worst part is that I kept living the same way, getting into casual relationships, drinking, and using drugs. I knew I was sick, addicted, and that my family was broken, but I kept pretending I was happy.”

Tatiana shared that she attended the Universal Church as a child but stopped going at 13. Later, when she saw how her life had turned out, she realized that returning could be her path to change.

She got baptized in water and believed she had received the presence of God in her life. But after a year, she realized something was not right, because her life did not reflect someone who had truly encountered God.

“I was one person at home and another at church. I lived behind a mask, deceiving myself and others. For about a year, I kept fooling myself, listening to



negative thoughts, and worrying about what people would think if they saw who I really was.”

At that time, the Fast of Daniel was announced. This is a period when a person steps away from distractions and focuses on building a relationship with God. Tatiana realized how much she needed the Holy Spirit. She had taken part before, but

only to show others she was involved.

“I had already suffered so much and made so many wrong choices. When I heard it could be my last chance to change, I took it seriously. I did not want to live like that anymore because I was suffering. My soul was crying out.

So I decided to take off the mask and do whatever it took to receive the Spirit of God.”

One day, alone in her room, she opened her heart to God in prayer.

“I told Him everything. I admitted I was not right and that I had been deceiving myself and others. I recognized that even though God had called me, I was not living in a way that honored that calling. I had bitterness in my heart, and that was holding me back. So I chose to forgive the person I was resentful toward. At that moment, I felt certain that God was with me. The first thing I felt was a peace and joy I had never experienced before,” she says.

She found healing, not only in her body but especially in her soul. Now, almost three years after that Fast of Daniel, she says her life is completely different.

“I am a different person. Everything changed inside me, my thoughts and my actions. I no longer need temporary relationships, alcohol, or drugs to feel happy. Today I have real peace and joy. My greatest treasure is the Holy Spirit. I want to tell others what God did for me, who I used to be, and who I am today.”

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This week, YPG in Your Neighborhood visited a local branch in New York, where youth came together to create a positive and uplifting environment. They learned the importance of abiding in the secret place "the Altar" and what it means to fully surrender and depend on God. Many understood that true protection comes from being on the altar, giving their lives completely to God.

Join us Every Sunday at 1pm



Enye

YPG member

Before coming to the Universal Church, I was stuck in my ways. I was stubborn, inconsistent, and struggled with bad habits. I was also very shy and did not like opening up to people.

Attending the YPG meetings helped me a lot. Being around other young people who shared the same faith gave me the chance to learn, grow, and feel supported. The Wednesday services also made a big difference in my life. That was where I started investing in my spiritual life and truly learned about the Holy Spirit. Things only began to change when I decided to put my faith into action and allow the Word of God to take root inside me. I also stayed committed to the chain of prayer.

Little by little, I overcame my old ways and left my bad habits behind. But the greatest change of all was receiving the Holy Spirit."



Word Reference:

1 Corinthians 5:17



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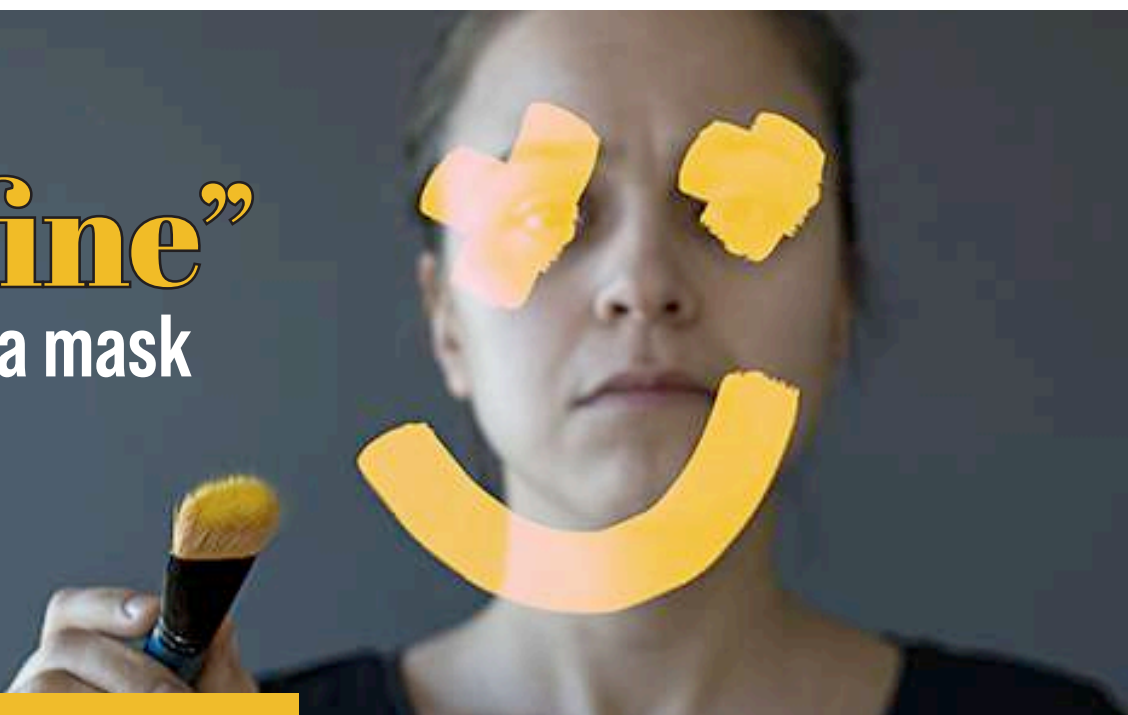
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When “I’m fine” is just a mask



In a world with easy access to all kinds of pleasure, people no longer want to deal with moments of boredom, sadness, or frustration. The problem is that chasing pleasure at any cost can trap a person in a cycle that creates even more frustration. This is where dopamine comes in. It is a neurotransmitter that works in the central nervous system and plays a role in several functions, including thinking, movement, sleep, emotional balance, and pain relief, both physical and emotional. It also activates the brain's sense of reward.

A study from the State University of New York showed that this constant search for dopamine, often used as a way to escape difficult moments, has led many people to become unable to face or handle future pain, whether physical or emotional. Instead, they fall into a cycle of seeking more and more pleasure to try to feel less pain, almost like they are numbing themselves.

Faith: strength, not anesthesia

This helps us understand the difference between a true Christian and someone whose beliefs are not based on the Bible. The Scriptures show many examples of people who did not run from suffering. Of course, that does not mean they enjoyed it, but they faced it. As a result, they grew stronger and received their blessings with greater maturity. The story of Paul the Apostle makes this clear. He was imprisoned, persecuted, and humiliated. He even worked with his own hands to support himself while traveling and preaching the Word of the Lord Jesus, without the privileges he had before his conversion.

Paul left a lesson that true followers of the Lord Jesus still live by today. Running from a battle is the same as losing it. A real Christian does not look for ways to numb the pain, because he knows that God is with him to face any situation, no matter how difficult it may be.

If you want to have a real life with true happiness, help is available. You do not have to keep living with this pain inside you. Go to the Universal Church near you and start a chain of prayer today. Check page 12 to find a church near you.

What started as teenage fun turned into years of addiction, conflict, unstable relationships, frustration, and a growing sense of loneliness. The environment he lived in, filled with parties and frequent alcohol use, shaped Glaydson Santana's lifestyle. At 14, he began going to nightclubs and music venues, and his fascination with nightlife eventually led him to become a DJ, working mainly at late night parties. By 18, he was fully immersed in that world. "I became dependent on alcohol, got involved with different women, and was trapped in a pornography addiction. Many times, I drove while intoxicated or slept in my car because I could not make it home. I did not want responsibilities. I just wanted to enjoy life," recalls the corporate sales coordinator.

Even though he seemed to live a carefree life, Glaydson admits it was all a cover for a deep emptiness inside. Looking for affection, he surrounded himself with parties and friends to hide his sadness. "I always needed to be around people and in busy places. When I was alone, the loneliness would take over. I was afraid of falling into depression, so I was always looking for someone to go out with," he says.

Because of the unhealthy relationships he saw growing up, he avoided commitment and hurt others along the way. "At one point, I had three girlfriends at the same time, trying to manage my schedule around all of them. I did not know how to communicate. I would yell at people and was always getting into trouble," he recalls.

He reached his lowest point after opening a music venue. At first, everything went well. The place was full, and it brought him money, success, and recognition. Encouraged by that, he opened a second location. "It felt like I was achieving everything I wanted. I became well known, even in the media. But after some time, it all became exhausting. I started to question what I was really doing," he says.

During a relationship filled with arguments, betrayal, and disrespect, Glaydson received an



The search for fun masked a deep emptiness

invitation from his partner to attend the Universal Church. At first, he refused. But after losing his status and facing bankruptcy, he saw that invitation as his last chance. "From the very first day, I felt something changing deep inside me. It was like I had finally found what I was missing," he says.

After hearing the Word of God, he made a decision to change his life. He left behind his addictions, the parties, and the nightlife. "I wanted to become the person God wanted me to be. I chose to get baptized, and through that surrender, I received the Holy Spirit. That is when I found the peace, calm, and happiness I had been searching for," he says.

Today, his life is completely different. "I have a blessed marriage. Our home is filled with peace, joy, and love. I no longer need my old addictions or that lifestyle. I have peace within me, and now I can share that peace with others," he concludes.



The facade she could not keep up

Even though she had been going to church since childhood, Quetinin Sciola was hiding a relationship with God that did not truly exist. But one message was enough to completely change her life. For years, Quetinin attended church regularly, yet she had no real connection with God. She admits that, spiritually, she saw herself as a fraud. “I wore a mask. I was playing a role inside the church. I would say ‘yes, ma’am’ and ‘yes, sir,’ smile at everyone, pretend to pray during services, and sign up for every spiritual campaign or challenge. But I never actually followed through. It was all part of the image I created,” she shares.

No one knew what she was really going through. “Inside, I was completely tormented. I had terrible nightmares, carried a lot of hatred, and even found pleasure in watching violent videos and horror movies. Many times, when I felt empty, I would hurt myself in places where no one could see. But to others, I looked like a proper churchgoer.”

She first came to the Universal Church as a child, but as a teenager, her focus shifted from God to friendships. “I went through spinal surgery and had 20 metal pins placed in my back. During that time, along with

the emptiness I did not know how to deal with, I developed a deep sense of inferiority. I tried to fill that void with friends, music, and TV shows, but nothing worked. It was all temporary.”

While in college, she met her husband and believed he would change her life. “I put all my faith and trust in him. Our relationship was full of problems, but we still got married. I had a husband, friends, and family, yet I felt completely alone. I started dealing with insomnia and even had suicidal thoughts. I thought I already had God just because I went to church, but inside, I felt constant pain and loneliness. I was cold, resentful, proud, and empty.”

Everything changed when she truly paid attention to the Word of God. “I started listening to what was coming from the altar, and I opened up before God. I admitted who I really was, a proud person who thought she knew everything just because she had been in church for so long.”

That decision led to a complete transformation. “When I received the Holy Spirit, everything inside me changed. I realized I was never alone.

I found peace within myself. God restored my marriage, which was close to ending. Through my testimony, my husband also came to God and received the Holy Spirit. Now, with the Holy Spirit, I have everything I need,” she says.

“**I wore a mask. I was playing a role inside the church.**”

Godlywood

The Godlywood Self-Help meetings was created to help you rediscover and strengthen yourself and uncover your true value. In a world that continually demands more from women—whether as mothers, wives, professionals, or daughters—it is easy to feel overwhelmed by pressures and insecurities. You don’t have to carry this burden alone.

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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.

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**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!



“Crime became my university”

I grew up in a low-income family, but as a teenager, I started comparing myself to friends who had a better lifestyle. Influenced by those friendships, I became addicted to cigarettes and marijuana. Soon after, I accepted an invitation to get involved in drug trafficking.

At 17, already involved in crime, I was arrested during a police stop and had to serve time in a juvenile facility. “When I got out, I was not thinking about changing. I wanted to go even deeper.

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As time went on, I began committing robberies. During one of them, I was armed, and when the victim reacted, I fired shots and killed them. I was arrested for robbery resulting in death and served another three-year sentence. During that time, I came into contact with the work of the UBB. “I listened to the messages and took part in prayers, but I had no interest in giving my life to God,” I admit.

Crime became my university. I wanted to learn more and more,” I recall. After leaving prison, I decided not to return to crime.



I was encouraged to learn a profession and found an opportunity in baking. I opened my own business and began to succeed. But that progress did not last. “I was making good money and had stopped using drugs, until I was introduced to crack.

From that moment, I lost everything.” Because of my addiction, I abandoned my career and my family and ended up living on the streets. “I was not really living. I was just surviving. I had hallucinations and wandered without direction.

I heard voices telling me to take my own life,” I say. With no way out, I remembered what I had learned about God and went to the Universal Church for help.

“I was baptized in water, gave my life to God, and received the Holy Spirit,” I share. Since then, everything has changed.

“Today, I have peace and joy. My marriage has been restored, and I am doing well in my profession. All of this was only possible through the work of the Holy Spirit,” I conclude.



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Micronesian community in action



Gathering of faith and miracles reaches Sioux City

Sioux City, Iowa, May 30, 2026

A special Gathering of Faith and Miracles brought together more than 100 people in Sioux City this week. It marked the first visit of Bishop Joshua and his team to the state of Iowa. Families came from across Iowa, Missouri, and nearby cities, all looking for spiritual support, prayer, and encouragement.

The service focused on faith, healing, and restoration. Members and first-time visitors joined in prayers for their loved ones, especially for those dealing with illness and emotional struggles like depression, which was described during the service as the sickness of the soul.



The team also prayed for people who have family members in prison. This moment highlighted a message of hope and unity for families going through difficult situations.

Bishop Joshua shared a message about the connection

between the body, soul, and spirit. He explained that just as the body needs food to stay strong, the soul also needs spiritual nourishment. He said that when



a person is far from God, they often feel empty, which can show up as emotional or spiritual pain. He also spoke about the story of the woman at the well. He explained that physical water only satisfies for a short time, but the Holy Spirit brings lasting fulfillment and



renewal. At the end of the message, he led a prayer of salvation and invited everyone to seek a deeper relationship with God. During the gathering, the team encouraged



everyone to take part in the upcoming Fast of Daniel, which begins this Sunday. This will be a time to focus on spiritual growth and seeking the Holy Spirit. They also invited the community to join future Sunday services and continue growing in faith and connection with God.



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An afternoon of care and faith in Silver Spring

Recently, a group of volunteers carried out a special outreach at a nursing home in Silver Spring, bringing a meaningful afternoon to the residents who live there. From the moment they arrived, the goal was simple: to share care, attention, and a message of hope.

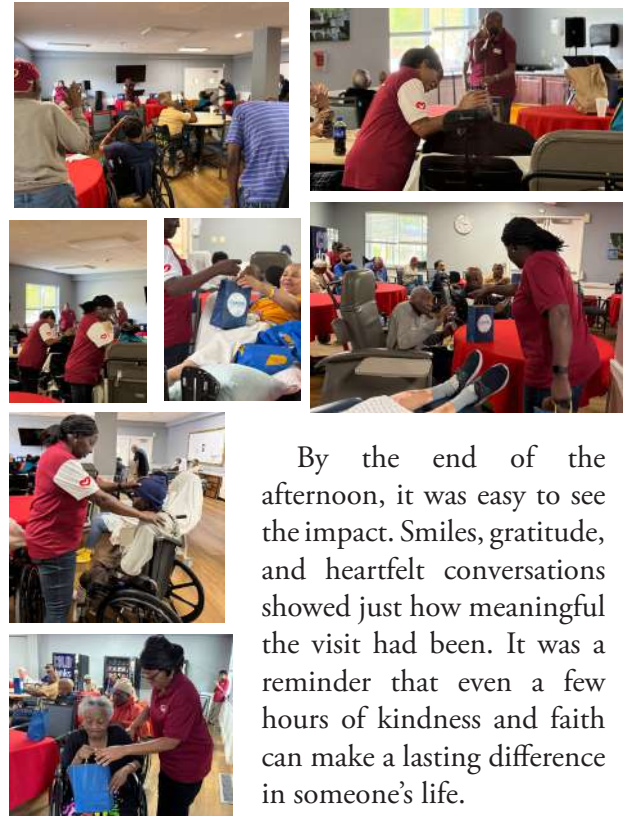


The volunteers took time to connect with each resident in a personal way. Conversations flowed naturally, and many of the residents opened up, grateful for someone willing to listen. Along with these moments, words of comfort and encouragement were shared, reminding them that they are not alone.

The atmosphere became even more uplifting with music, which brought smiles and emotion to many. For a while, the room was filled with joy, as residents sang along or simply enjoyed the moment. It was clear how much these small acts meant.

During the visit, each resident also received a care bag prepared with attention and love. These included essential items such as fruit, water, and personal hygiene products, meeting practical needs while also showing genuine care.

More than anything else, the outreach focused on the spiritual side. The volunteers shared a message of faith and prayed with the residents, leaving them with the assurance that God has not forgotten them. That message touched hearts and brought a renewed sense of peace.



By the end of the afternoon, it was easy to see the impact. Smiles, gratitude, and heartfelt conversations showed just how meaningful the visit had been. It was a reminder that even a few hours of kindness and faith can make a lasting difference in someone's life.

Reaching out with care in Columbia

Recently, volunteers carried out a meaningful outreach in Columbia, serving people at a Transition Shelter and also on the streets of the city. With a heart to help, they came prepared to offer the very best to everyone who was there.

Three large tables were set up, filled with food and refreshments. Boxes with meals were distributed, along with a variety of snacks, cakes, water, and juice. The abundance made it possible to support many families and individuals who are going through a difficult time.



More than just providing food, the volunteers took time to connect with each person. Conversations, prayers, and words of encouragement made a real difference. Many left not only with something in their hands, but also with peace in their hearts.

For the volunteers, it was a moment of true joy. Seeing people being helped both physically and spiritually reminded them of the mission left by the Lord Jesus, who came to care for those in need, feed the hungry, and bring salvation to the soul.

As it is written, *"I was hungry and you gave Me food"* (Matthew 25:35). This simple truth was lived out that day, as acts of kindness became a reflection of God's love in action.





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