

ANIA'S TESTIMONY



Lord Jesus I give You glory, honour and praise for what You have done for me. It is because of You that I can stand and proclaim how wonderful things I have experienced and continue to experience in my life.

I share with you today the testimony of the transformation of my life. As you can guess this transformation was made by JESUS. I will tell you how my life changed when I met with the Lord God.

Not many of you know that I was very sick. This illness did not allow me to function normally. My life for about two years consisted of struggling with anxiety and fear. I had frequent panic attacks and depression. I was afraid to leave the house, go shopping, work and even eat. I felt constant anxiety, which magnified and exacerbated all these symptoms. The lack of sleep at the time was very exhausting. I lived as if in a cage with no way to move. Paralyzed by fear and anxiety with no hope that it would ever pass and I would return to a normal life, I felt like my life was lost, taken away.

The pills I was taking were very strong and addictive. They did not guarantee my recovery from the disease. My doctor's advice was: "Learn to live with these pills forever." I felt doomed to vegetate as I lay there and felt all these symptoms of enslavement. I felt like I was dying. In the midst of all this, I was aware that if anyone could help me it was only God.

My friend Ania, who knew my situation, sent me a text message on my phone. It was a prayer regarding accepting Jesus into my life. With the remnants of my strength, I decided to pray this prayer and get hold of God. I believed in my heart and confessed with my mouth that Jesus is my Lord and saviour. I gave my life completely to Jesus and there was a BREAK-THROUGH!!!

After this prayer of acceptance of Jesus, God showed me in a dream that the place where I was standing was very dark, empty and cold. He came to the rescue - with His grace and pointed to a bright spot in the distance, like a light. This was the direction in which I was going. This light gave me hope that there was a way out of my difficult, dark situation.

That light was God Himself.

I went to Him.

And so, my journey with God began.

From that moment on, God took great care of me and nurtured me. He knew my fear, my situation and only He knew how to help me and how to make my life straight, rebuild it. It was no problem for Him to supply me with everything.

God was gradually giving me healing and deliverance.

He breathed hope into my life, gave me a job, restored the meaning of existence. God taught me to function again and brought me back to life. This healing process took place with my participation and involvement. I wholeheartedly wanted to know Him more, closer and deeper. I longed to be with Him and sought His presence. I felt that what Jesus had for me was my rescue and would turn my life around for the better.

I trusted God and believed that He was the answer to my needs. He spoke to me: "If you believe, you will see the glory of the Lord."

God directed me to the ECC Church and to a Gosia's cell group, where I could get to know God more, and pray to Him. In this way, my life began to change. The Lord God in this process gradually touched me with His healing power, and then I experienced His presence. In this presence, my fear and anxiety disappeared, and I was able to become a normal, healthy, Godly woman. Day by day I felt better. I discovered that when I worship Him, sing for Him I feel the peace of God and then comes FREEDOM, and the fear and anxiety turn into

JOY. Freedom, Health, Hope, Joy are God's gifts to me for which I am immensely grateful to Him.

I know that He has planned a life for me according to His wonderful plan, and my "Yes to Jesus" attitude has allowed Him to carry out this plan.

I am very grateful to God for His victory in my life! He taught me to fight spiritually for myself. When I realized that I was at war I took up the challenge to fight. God gave me His tool for this fight - His Word = God's Word. It was the power of God's Word spoken daily that was my weapon. My room was lined with cards with Bible verses. When I had to stand up to fight, I had God's Word in front of me. It was the Word that gave me the strength to get through each day. My victorious battles gave me encouragement to keep going, and I stood in worship and prayer looking to Jesus.

My response to God for all He has done for me is THANKFULNESS, from which comes praising Him and giving Him glory. I already want to thank Jesus forever for my saved, redeemed life.

What I want to convey is that no matter where you are, what you are going through, how you are feeling, what you are struggling with... REMEMBER that God's children are not abandoned children. REMEMBER that our Father in heaven always has a solution and is ready to help. God's love provides us with victory in every situation.

God has shown me who I really am, what authority I have in Him, what my identity is, that I am valuable in His eyes, that there is someone - JESUS - who cares about me. I don't feel intimidated, abandoned, because I know that Jesus loves me and wants me to live in God's victory and in His freedom. Amen.

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