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Is there a limit to God's power? Let's check what the Bible says in Jeremiah 10:12: "It is He who made the earth by His power, who established the world by His wisdom, and by His understanding stretched out the heavens." Through this verse alone, we can conclude that God is all-powerful. But why do so many people fail to see a miracle occur? What are the requirements to receive it?

Maybe in your mind, you already have an entire list of requirements; however, God doesn't not. We learn in His word that He is ready and willing to bless us as long as we manifest Faith in Action. Faith and action work hand in hand. We only act if we believe, and we can show we believe with action. It is not enough to say we know about God, to pray every now and then, and to say we believe in God. Those who genuinely believe in something act upon their belief and allow nothing to shake them from this faith. True faith requires trust, and those who trust obey the voice of God.

Are you in need of a miracle in your life? Do you want to see a transformation in your health, family, or love life? Are you tired of the way your life has been? God is calling you to his house. We will have a powerful Crusade of Faith and Miracles on Sundays at every Universal Church at 10 AM. Come and receive a bottle of the "Divine Water" free of charge, in which many have used and received miracles of healing and deliverance. God is waiting for you. Will you answer His call?

| BEATING DEPRESSION |

Depression is a sadness felt in the deepest part of one's soul. It causes a sense of hopelessness and exhaustion so great that a person loses the motivation to do anything and some to live at all. It is a sickness of the soul. But who can heal the soul other than the Savior of Souls, the Lord Jesus?

On Fridays, at every Universal Church, we have a service for Deliverance from Depression. Visit a branch near you today. Make a Chain of Prayer by attending a prayer meeting near you for seven consecutive weeks. You will receive practical steps, counseling, and spiritual help through prayers to overcome. You won't regret it.

There are thousands of testimonials worldwide that prove a Chain of Prayer works. You, too, CAN defeat depression!



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Bishop Edir Macedo



WHAT IS THE PURPOSE OF A TEST?

Now it came to pass after these things that God tested Abraham and said to him, "Abraham!" And he said, "Here I am". Genesis 22.1

The dictionary defines the word "test" as: "The means by which the genuineness of anything is determined..." A challenge does just this because it shows the truth between:

- A true Christian and a religious person.
- An obedient person and a rebellious person.
- A defined person and an undefined person.
- Those who honor God and those who dishonor Him.
- Those who glorify God with their lives and those who are part of the crowd.

God tested Abraham, and he was approved. There are many people that God has tested, but they have not been approved. They may even say they love and believe in God, but when He calls them to sacrifice, trust Him, forsake their own will, and obey His Word, unfortunately, they flee.

"If I give 100% of myself on the Altar, will God give me less than what I am offering Him?"

They like to praise God with their mouths; they get overwhelmed by emotion



during worship, but "their stomachs are empty," and they're suffering. Why is this? It's because their faith has not been approved. I would like them to think: What is a test? Why does a student take tests in school? So that he can pass to the following grade. When an employer wants to give his employee a higher position, he will surely test his employee first.

If I give 100% of myself on the Altar, will God give me less than what I am offering Him? God tested Abraham so that he could be the blessing himself. **"Now Abraham was old, well advanced in age, and the Lord had blessed Abraham in all things."** Genesis 24.1

That's what God wants to do: give you something much bigger than you have now. But first, you will be tested! And, will you be approved or not?

SHATTERED AND HOPELESS



"My life was plagued by sickness. My health was deteriorating. My body was covered in scratches, making me feel hideous and unloved, even by my family.

I had two children to care for, but my illness made it extremely challenging. The burden became so overwhelming that I even contemplated ending my own life. However, the thought of leaving

my children alone and unsupported prevented me from taking such a drastic step.

In an attempt to escape my troubles, I would often leave my children with my aunt, only to go out drinking and return home late at night, intoxicated. The following day, I would suffer from hangovers, and the problems I was trying to escape would come rushing back. I realized I could not continue down this destructive path, especially since I had left my children in someone else's care.

When I started attending services in the Universal Church, I learned about the power of prayer and faith. I actively participated in the chains of prayers for my healing and deliverance. My life started transforming, and I

was completely healed. My family members noticed the positive changes in me. They decided to join me in attending the services in the church.

Today, my life has changed. I am free from sickness. I have a good job, and I bought my own house. My children are grown and employed. I can afford to buy whatever I want. I no longer drink alcohol, and I do not have the desire to end my life. The happiness and peace I have found are beyond measure.

Even when faced with challenges, I no longer panic because I believe God will provide a solution. My life is a testimony that God can perform miracles and change lives in unimaginable ways."

- Nonhlanhla

DIVINE WATER

"TO HEAR THE WORD CANCER WAS FRIGHTENING."

During her regular check-ups, Angelica Mesquita, a housewife, was diagnosed with a change in her mammogram. Her gynecologist suspected cancer and urgently referred her to an oncologist. Further tests confirmed breast cancer.

Angelica says that hearing "cancer" was frightening, and the whole process was very tiring. There were 18 sessions of radiotherapy over four months. "I was fragile, and that's why I suffered more. I couldn't sleep because of the pain all over my body; I was very ill, fainted, my immunity dropped a lot, and I took strong drugs that relieved the pain a little," she says.

All the medical treatment continued, but Angelica found the strength in her faith to face the challenges and put her trust in God, believing that the time for miracles was not over. And that miracle happened!

Today, her health was wholly restored.



"NO MORE LUPUS, ARTHRITIS, OR PAINS IN MY BODY."



I was diagnosed with lupus arthritis, which caused my high blood pressure to get worse. I had pains in my legs and all over my body, so it was hard to get out of bed sometimes. The doctors said there was no cure for me and just gave me medicine.

After exercising my faith by drinking the blessed water, I have no more arthritis, high blood pressure, or pains. - Linda



Learn to apply your faith in order to face your challenges!

**GET YOUR DIVINE WATER
EVERY SUNDAY**

at your nearest Universal Church

If you have received a challenging diagnosis, exercise your faith.

The Universal Church warns that you should never ignore medical treatment.



|Message|

BISHOP JOSHUA

LOOK UP AND GET OUT!



Many people who call themselves Christian limit God by their unbelief. Everyone quickly says, “God is good all the time.” But when they fall into the “pit” in life, they don’t believe God can get them out.

They pray to God for little blessings like a slight salary increase, healing from a headache, peace in the family for a few days or a week, to help them meet someone to date, but when something big happens, they become desperate and lose faith.

How many people even give up on their faith, leave the presence of God, and even take their own life because they did not see a way out of the pit? They feel so low or lost so much that life is no longer worth living. See what the Lord says about when you are in the hole.

“Behold, the Lord’s hand is not shortened, that it cannot save; neither his ear heavy, that it cannot hear”
Isaiah 59:1

You see, my friend, no matter how deep the pit you are in, God’s hand can reach you there and pull you out. But you have to manifest your faith. You must come to the one place where God always looks: the Altar. When a person goes to the Altar with their most significant problems or greatest dreams, the God who is ALWAYS on the Altar (because the Altar represents God Himself) will quickly come and deliver them. But you have to reach for the Altar. You may be so far down that no one in the world can help you, but the moment you reach up by faith to the Altar and present and give your whole life to Him, He will pull you out of the pit and bless you abundantly.

The old saying goes, “When you are at rock bottom, there’s nowhere to look but up.” Look up to Him now; reach out to Him. He is ready to take you out of the pit.

May the God of the Bible Bless You

RAGS TO RICHES



mercial set. I then started looking for a job as a day laborer and was waiting for the courts to take the apartment from me. Everything began to break in my house, like the appliances, the kitchen granite, and the bathroom plumbing. I didn’t even have food to eat.

It was then that I decided to get closer to God. While crying one day, I turned on the TV, and the Universal Church program was going on. I decided to go back to church and prayed for God to give me a job. When I left the meeting, my cousin called me, saying an agency was hiring day laborers who needed experience. Two days later, I was working, and within a month, I was back in my field.

As I continued going to church, I learned that nothing is impossible for God when there seems to be no way. I picked up all the late bills on this day and prayed that I wouldn’t miss anything else. Then, the supernatural signs started: “The apartment caretaker called saying that the company had arrived to turn off the water, but they couldn’t. The light was also no longer cut. The apartment up for auction inexplicably went back into the collection process, and the bailiffs started looking for me at old addresses. I began to do new businesses from faith to faith, but I needed to see the miracle. One day, I prayed to God differently. I knelt and said: ‘Lord, it is written, ‘Ask, and it will be given to you (Matthew 7:7),’ and I asked, asked, asked, and nothing happened.’ At that moment, God told me: ‘You only ask and do nothing more! When your child throws a tantrum and asks, do you give?’ There, I understood that God was not in the first place in my life; I was only interested in what He could give me. Right there, I decided to change priorities by putting God first. When I did this, everything fell into place. I paid off all my debts, resolved the issue with the apartment, renovated it, and bought four more properties. Today, my family is all blessed, and I am happy every day, without worrying about anything, just the Presence of God.

Ms Eliane

I grew up in a family with responsibilities from a young age. At 7, I was already working with my parents, helping in a bar/restaurant we had. At 22, I met a boy I started dating, and within eight months, I got pregnant. We got married, but it was a disaster. At this time, I was unemployed and soon became pregnant with my second daughter. Then the situation got worse. At this time, I came to the Universal Church with a miserable life, and when I arrived, my life started to change. I bought an apartment, bought cars, got a great job, and started making a lot of money. My children studied at private schools, we went to the best restaurants and traveled. At this time, I began to allow money to rule my life, and I no longer had time for God.

Not long after, the marriage problems worsened, and we separated. I immediately entered into another relationship that also didn’t work out. I had two more children and began to face financial difficulties. So, I got rid of part of the assets. The money quickly dried up, and I could not pay the bills. With the little resources I had left, I opened a new business in the food industry. I invested everything in a company, but it didn’t work out. Because of that, I became super indebted. I took money from two loan companies to pay employees and suppliers, and I also had a court case with a company that I had sued. Inexplicably, we lost the case, and I was even deeper in debt and had no income. I went from luxury to trash.

She says that the loan companies gave me no peace. One of them bought an apartment in the building where I lived and sent his son to call me, and when I didn’t answer, he deflated the tires on my car. My apartment was going up for auction, the electricity and water were being cut off, and I was going to dealerships to make deals after deals. I had already gotten rid of four vehicles and lost a com-

Do you think you have reached rock bottom and, there is no hope for you? Give God a chance, visit the Universal Church near you this Sunday, and speak to the pastor. Nothing is impossible with God!

October 2023 Bible Reading						
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
Galatians 1 ✓	Galatians 2 ✓	Galatians 3 ✓	Galatians 4 ✓	Galatians 5 ✓	Galatians 6 ✓	Ephesians 1 ✓
Ephesians 2 ✓	Ephesians 3 ✓	Ephesians 4 ✓	Ephesians 5 ✓	Ephesians 6 ✓	Philippians 1	Philippians 2
Philippians 3	Philippians 4	Colossians 1	Colossians 2	Colossians 3	Colossians 4	1 Thessalonians 1
1 Thessalonians 2	1 Thessalonians 3	1 Thessalonians 4	1 Thessalonians 5	2 Thessalonians 1	2 Thessalonians 2	2 Thessalonians 3
Titus 1	Titus 2	Titus 3				

SUNDAY GATHERING OF FAITH AND MIRACLES IN HARLEM, NY

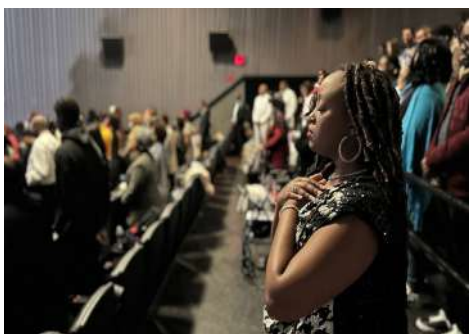
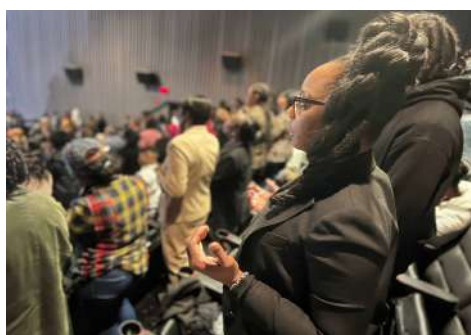
AMC MAGIC JOHNSON THEATER



Sunday, October 1st, 2023 – Ark of Covenant (Last Three Months of the Year)

The Universal Church in Harlem held its Sunday Great Gathering of Faith and Miracles at AMC Magic Johnson Theater in New York.

Pastor Luiz opened the service by imploring our Lord Jesus to change and transform the lives of the attendees. Only God has the power to truly transform a person's life from the inside out. He emphasized to God that some attendees were attending today's service as a last resort from all the suffering they were experiencing.



He noted that we were in the last three (3) months of the year and that these months must be greater than the nine (9) previ-

ous ones, like when the Ark of the Covenant was placed in the house of Obed-Edom for three (3) months, and his home prospered the entire time. (2 Samuel 6:11) So shall the lives of the attendees also be blessed.

Water Testimony

Ms. Elsa testified that she was experiencing severe back pain before the service. Still, after drinking the "Blessed water," she was delivered from distress. She also struggled with a dislocated disc in her back that required surgery. However, she has now decided to forego surgery and continue to drink her "Blessed water" and put her faith in God.

Ms. Colleen Moore testified that she was experiencing pain underneath her left arm, primarily when she would raise it; she had this pain for a few weeks. After drinking the "Blessed water," the pain disappeared, and she could raise her arm without pain.

Ms. Emily testified that her son was healed after drinking the "Blessed water" from a flesh-eating disease. She noted that initially, her son had what looked like a scratch, but over time, it developed into something she thought was ringworm and treated it as such. As more time passed, it became apparent it was something else. She then took him to the Emergency Room, where he was diagnosed with a flesh-eating disease. The doctors had no idea how he would have been able to encounter such a disease. She gave her son the blessed water to drink and had the Pastor pray over the wound two days after Ms. Emily noticed that the wounds were beginning to heal. Her son, who was present Sunday, showed he

was completely healed and had minimal scarring. He also said that He was feeling good.



Pastor Luiz then reminded the attendees that it's not solely our bodies that need rest but also our souls. Our soul lacks peace when we are not living in obedience to the voice of God. We can get all the physical rest we need and still get up feeling tired without motivation, and the reason for this is that we are disconnected from God. He then read Hebrews 4:3-4 which says, For we who have believed do enter that rest, as He has said: "So I swore in My wrath, 'They shall not enter My rest,'" although the works were finished from the foundation of the world. For He has spoken in a certain place of the seventh day in this way: "And God rested on the seventh day from all His works;"

Our only solution to this problem is to "Hope in God." See Psalm 43:5

New Attendees

Mr. Jose Lugo was invited to the service by Assistant Kelly, who was evangelizing on 125th Street. He attended service Sunday by chance after deciding to come to the local church instead of going out of town to another church in New Jersey.



He enjoyed the service and received what he sought: A way to reconnect with God to fill his emptiness. He was praying for guidance and received it today while attending service. He now knows that he does not have to go out of town because there is a place close to his home where he can feed him spiritually. Today's service resonated with him because of the message of the soul being tired because he could see himself in some of the symptoms of a weary soul.



CRUSADE OF FAITH AND MIRACLES

By our rule, there are indissoluble problems, unthinkable outcomes, and conditions that mathematically do not change. But Faith – which ignores the impossible – makes human reasons questionable. After all, who can explain a miracle?

Faith dares to provoke miracles and, at the same time, does not explain this. Either you believe in the miracle, or you don't, and, in this case, doubt may arise.

In fact, it is difficult (or even unlikely) to disassociate the term "miracle" from the Word of God. In it, we come across countless of them – apart from those not revealed to us, as written in John 21.25: "And there are also many other things that Jesus did, which if they were written one by one, I suppose that even the world itself could not contain the books that would be written." It is these Scriptures that take hold of supernatural deeds.

Imagine the scenes of various situations described in it, such as the one that the prophet Ezekiel experienced in front of a massive valley of very dry bones, which each gathered together in their right part and formed, frighteningly, a vast army (Ezekiel 37). Who could imagine the sun stopping for almost an entire day at Joshua's orders? (Joshua 10). Doomed to her misery, how can we explain what the widow of Zarephath

experienced, who saw flour and oil appear practically "out of nowhere" and overflow her jars? (1 Kings 17). From these examples, we know that a miracle seems unattainable and, humanly speaking, escapes our understanding.

Bishop Edir Macedo considered that countless Divine promises fall like rain from Heaven to all Humanity. However, he pointed out that they are fulfilled only in the lives of those who believe "because if there is no belief, there is no miracle." In this sense, he highlighted the origin of the miracle: "It does not come from God alone nor you alone: there has to be a partnership between you and God, God and you. You unite with Him through the Faith He gave you. This Faith, which you have inside, is suffocated by doubts, fears, worries, suffering, the words of others, empty advice, and ideas; that is why it is powerless. Now, if your Faith is without strength or vigor, how will you overcome this situation? How are you going to get out of this suffering, this state of depression, anguish, and pain? There's no way," he observes. Those who hold on to a little piece of Faith, even if suffocated, and encourage it finally contemplate the impossible.

Go to your local Universal Church today! See the back page for locations.



Since William was little, he had to deal with constant fights between his parents. As a child, he witnessed his father frequently attacking his mother, and he spent sleepless nights afraid of what could happen to her. The traumas caused by family conflicts had consequences for his learning, and, in addition, he felt very lonely. William grew up without peace, lived in fear, and could not make friends.

"For as long as I can remember, my father has always attacked my mother. I grew up with a huge hatred and anger towards him," he says. Once, his father tried to kill his mother, who was eight months pregnant.

"I wanted to find a way out of that situation. I considered being a model or an actor because I had to make money. I went to several

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agencies, but everything went wrong. I started to gain weight and became depressed; everything was going wrong," he says.

He was lost. "One night, we were watching television and

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saw the Universal Church program. The bishop spoke of protection. He said we would be vulnerable to all evil if we did not seek God. That made my mother want to seek help," he says. His mother started attending the Sunday meetings and asked me to accompany her.

He had many doubts about things related to God. Furthermore, he had difficulty abandoning his bad habits and wrongdoings. "I didn't understand how to use faith correctly. I had a lot of difficulty believing in my transformation, but I didn't give up, and I always had someone's help so I wouldn't let go of my faith," he says.

William put his pride aside and forgave his father. His attitude began to change, and he began to have peace. "I didn't need to be surrounded by people to be fulfilled. After I learned about faith, my life started to make sense," he explains.

Today, he has a prosperous financial life and has peace within him.



Daniele, at the age of 15, was already involved in the world of drugs and robbery.

"I was empty, full of complexes, and I thought I couldn't make my dreams come true. I had several stints at the juvenile center, and in one of the fights, I lost the vision in my right eye," she recalls. However, the damage caused by a life of crime did not stop there. At age 20, she was sentenced to five years in prison.

"I lived with my mother, attended school, and studied properly. But I would arrive home and find her involved in drugs and trafficking," she recalls. Friendships and, above all, bad decisions led her to the same path.

Daniele even stole drugs from her mother. Addicted to cigarettes, marijuana, and cocaine, she says that her "rock bottom" was crack. Due to her addiction, she suffered seven overdoses.

The man she believed was her father abused Daniele as a child. "My mother became a call girl, and he beat her so she could earn money on the streets. He messed with me several

"I SUFFERED SEVEN OVERDOSES..."

times, but I stayed silent because he threatened to beat my mother if I said something."

The threats lasted until other attacks emerged. "My mother saw my

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bruised face, and I told her what had happened. She called the police. After she left this man, she continued to live in prostitution and drug trafficking. Daniele always blamed her mother for all her misfortunes and told her: "you weren't a good mother to me."

"I was in prison, and a friend who attended meetings at the prison invited me to participate. At that meeting, one of the

inmates manifested with evil spirits, and I saw how evil acts in people's lives. I started attending meetings weekly, following the instructions, listening to the radio program of the Universal Church, and that woke me up. I determined that I would no longer use drugs. I was shaking a lot with withdrawal, but I was determined. I promised myself I would do a water baptism if I could go three days without drugs. And I did it. My journey with God began there."

How was it possible to abandon a past full of scars? "I had anger, hatred, and a lot of hurt towards those who hurt me. But when I met God, everything passed."

Those around her see her as another person. "Those who knew me before don't recognize me these days. I'm 40, happy, fulfilled, without complexes, and have peace. I can say that I have a life," she concludes.

MAKE A CHAIN OF PRAYER IT WORKS!

A Chain of Prayer is when you attend a prayer meeting for a certain number of weeks without interruption in order to see a breakthrough in your life. Whether it is healing, a financial breakthrough or spiritual deliverance that you need, a Chain of Prayer helps you develop the faith and determination to overcome.

Monday - Strong Nation
7am, 10am, 4pm & 7pm



Learn the secrets to overcome financially. Receive direction to grow and become a successful person.



Tuesday - Prayer for healing
7am, 10am, 4pm & 7pm

Receive prayers for your physical, mental and spiritual well-being.

Wednesday - Night of Salvation
7am, 10am, 4pm & 7pm



A meeting will be held for those who want to invest in a genuine relationship with God.



Thursday - Family & Love Therapy
7am, 10am, 4pm & 7pm

The goal of the family meeting is to bring families together. No family is perfect, but they can be free from any hate, separation and other underlying issues.

Friday - Deliverance
7am, 10am, 4pm & 7pm



There is a root to every problem. No issue can be dealt with permanently without removing its root. Every Friday, strong prayers is provided for anyone who is facing a problem that is influenced by negativity.



Saturday - Impossible Cases
8am & 12pm

Have you ever looked at a problem or situation and thought, 'this is impossible, there is no solution to this?' If you want to see the 'impossible become possible', join us every Saturday.

Sunday - Gathering of Faith & Miracles
7am, 10am, 3pm & 6pm



These meetings aim to help people connect with God, to empower people and teach them how to use their faith to achieve what they want in their lives.

THE UBB THREE DAY

This week, the UBB had a mighty three-day crusade of faith. The UBB. visited three units and held three different meetings. We could go to the Crain Unit, Lane Murray, and Gorree Unit in Texas.

These days were days of power, faith, restoration, and revival. What the inmates received was priceless, hearing the word of God, some receiving the Word of God. Others received one of the books of faith from the church, and some had the opportunity to receive the distribution of hygienic kits.



Let's break down how these past few days have been. On Wednesday, September 27, the UBB's first visit was to the Crain unit to kick off our crusade of faith. There was a total of one hundred eighty women who attended.



They were genuinely blessed; from the beginning of the day to the end, the word they received was, and through the service, they were happy. The warden was very appreciative of the work of the UBB.



Even women from closed custody (which was G4 in attendance) had the opportunity to attend the service held that day. It was a moment to see God prepared for these women individually.

Although they all received the same "food," spiritually speaking, God spoke to each one in their way and what they needed to do with the word they received.

Not only were the inmates blessed, but the regional director of Region 6 was in

attendance with the Warden, Chaplain, and significant captains, and some officers were present.

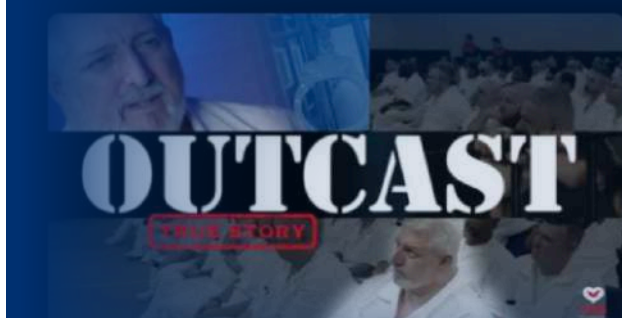
On Thursday, September 28, there was an excellent hygiene kit distribution at the Lane Murray unit for the first time.

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There was a total of 1,350 kits distributed to women. The kits included deodorant, two tubes of toothpaste, two bars of soap, shampoos, and conditioner. It was totaling at 9,450 individual items that were distributed through the kits. I know this was long-awaited, and they were overjoyed with the hygiene supplies they received.



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CRUSADE OF FAITH



The distribution brought and continues to bring us joy; seeing things that we can sometimes not provide value to have so much meaning for these women was amazing.

Jesus said we must remember the prisoners as if chained with them, and in the UBB, we stand by this.

Some might say that was a waste, but we do not see that; we know the necessity of each soul, and if we could've done more, we would.



They also received a new study Bible; there were 300 donated Bibles given to those who did not have them.



Our biggest desire is for more volunteers and helpers to be able to reach many more prisons throughout the United States.

The UBB understands that life behind bars is not easy for the inmates or authorities, and we strive daily to give them what we have received, which is peace that comes from God.

Speaking of the Word of God, services were held throughout this Crusade of Faith in every unit we went to; each received a message inspired by the Word of God, an expression of faith to encourage them.

The message was about not looking back because every time they look back, it will take them back to old habits, such as prison, drugs, lifestyle, etc.

They learned to look ahead and keep their eyes on Jesus because if they want to have a future and one with Christ, that will only come when they make a partnership with God. God is not behind, but HE is in the things to come. They learned that they had to detach from the old nature



to move forward. Friday, September 29, we held the service at Gorree Unit. One hundred twenty men attended, and each one received the book, "The Secrets and Mysteries of the Soul, written by Bp. Eder Macedo.

The message they received was not looking back either because we realized they often have regrets, relive in the past, or do not know a better life, so they choose the same old path.

They learned that they deserved better, and to have better, they needed to do better for themselves.



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MOSES AND THE TEN COMMANDMENTS at 7pm

Moses' journey from his birth until reaching the Promised Land, his crossing the desert and encountering God on Mount Sinai.



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The life of businesswoman Francislaine Oliveira, is a story that began with a painful childhood. Although her parents were always dedicated to the family's well-being, they fought a lot, which impacted her perspective on relationships. "My father was a hard-working man, but unfortunately, he was an alcoholic, which resulted in difficult situations in our home, including domestic violence against my mother and constant arguments," she says.

Francislaine started working at 13 to seek independence and escape the constant flights at home. At that time, she met Jean, now 46 years old and a businessman, with whom she developed a friendship that turned into a relationship. Despite the differences in their lives, the couple had a good relationship in the beginning.

Jean, in turn, had a difficult adolescence due to his father's absence, who abandoned the family. From an early age, he adopted harmful habits such as smoking and drinking. Still, he also learned from his mother the importance of work. "I was inspired by my mother's example, who was always intensely dedicated to work and family. So, when I met my wife, I committed to always doing the best for her and our family," he says.

The couple sealed their union; however, the challenges increased after the ceremony and the birth of their first daughter. "Jean was immature, wanted to live a single life, and did not understand the responsibilities of marriage," says Francislaine. The couple moved to another city in an attempt to solve their issues. Francislaine was already five months pregnant, expecting her second daughter.

Jean opened an automotive parts store, and Francislaine opened a baby clothes store and a women's footwear store. "Although we were making progress financially, my husband spent more time with his friends at work, going to bars, which triggered conflicts in our home,"



explains Francislaine. Early one morning, the police informed the couple that Jean's store was on fire. "Unfortunately, we lost everything, and the store was not insured. It left my husband deeply devastated."

However, the worst was yet to come. The couple's eldest daughter fell into depression and had anorexia. The family sought medical help, but the situation got worse. "Our life became hell. We were without money, with two daughters to support and our marriage in ruins," remembers Francislaine.

During one desperate night, Francislaine discovered The Universal Church programming while watching television. She challenged her beliefs and decided to attend church with her eldest daughter. "I started to attend the healing meetings in search of my daughter's recovery and fought to save my marriage. Surprisingly, even my husband started accompanying me to church. He distanced himself from bars and negative influences. Our lives got gradually transformed," she details.

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