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Hey, my name is Brittney this is my Testimony. I'll begin by saying God is so good. I was saved in February of 2012. I wasn't looking for God, but he was chasing me. I got saved when I was high while reading the word for a few weeks. I had been reading my bible while getting high and I freaked everyone out around me. I didn't know at the time why I was reading my bible. I just felt like I really wanted to know and search the scriptures.

I had no idea what God was doing. I had been taken to church as a small child by my grandmother regularly on the weekends, me and my brother. I believed in Jesus and honestly thought I was saved as a child but when I got much older, I started using marijuana which eventually led to harder drugs and drinking. I was on the road to destruction living for myself doing what I desired on the road to hell is the road I was on.

My addiction, which I thought was small turned into trying meth. They say once you try it it's hard to let go of it. Thats not a lie as i believe the enemy uses drugs to keep people bound and from knowing the Lord. But God is sovereign, and he is much stronger than the enemy but the enemy and are flesh and the



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world works against anything to do with Jesus. I am thankful for God's faithfulness in that.

I was delivered from meth in 2012 and saved after I repented of my sin and choices I had made. God forgave me. I was so on fire for God when he saved me, he just amazed me that he would die and save someone like me. See I couldn't trust no one at all but I knew I could trust Jesus.

When you get saved you must get away from the things that had bound you have to change friends even family and this was hard for me and took me a long time to figure out. I was saved I loved reading my bible going to church and worshiping Christ who died for me and set me free from the life I was living. My soul longed for Christ. I just couldn't get enough of him. I just wanted to live for him. It's very important once you get saved to surround yourself with other believers and to be involved with your brothers and sisters in Christ and to change the people you hung out with before.

I didn't do that so for me it took time even though I was saved I fell what feels like 100 times. I would be free wanting to do the right things and I would still be around the things that dragged me down and the people that were doing them. I fell so many times my flesh was so weak and every time I got around alcohol and drugs, I would find myself using them and then condemning myself for being unfaithful to the Lord who pulled me out. I was so unfaithful, and I knew surely God wanted nothing to do with me anymore because I was just a rebellious, disobedient lady.

After my final use of meth, I knew I needed help because I just kept repeating the same old patterns. I called a program located in Wingate, North Carolina a drug rehabilitation for woman House of Pearls changing lives through Christ. I would think I wasn't saved because I kept repeating the same things, but I knew what God had done and all I wanted was him.

I learnt in the house of pearls you must change people, places and things. Wherefore come out from among them, and be ye separate saith the Lord, and touch not the unclean thing; and I will receive you. 2Corithians 6:17. It took me a while to understand that God cannot work in your life if you stay around people, places and things that bind you. I thought He had left me! How blind and stupid was I?



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He was with me the whole time. The enemy walks around seeking whom he may devour. God should have been done with me a rebel child like me. But He wasn't when you surrender your life to Christ you will have to give up things and places and even people. You can love people, but you must learn to love them from a distance. If they are going to drag you right back down, you can't be around them, your flesh is so weak.

So, after going to house of pearls I learned that God still does love me, and he doesn't condemn me.I'm thankful he allowed and is allowing me to raise three sweet babies up in him. We don't have to do anything but be obedient to Him and stay away from the places and things that keep or have you bound. You can't keep doing the same things and expecting different results. God will save you and He is faithful, but you must be obedient as well and come away from those things.

It is by the Grace of God that I can even share my story with you. God can clean your life up if you allow Him. He died for us to be free! Is it an easy walk? No, it's tough at times but He says to take His yoke for it is easy and light. We must walk and trust him in all things. I won't set here and tell you I'm miss perfect and got it all together, but I will tell you I trust Him and He gives me peace and when I give things to him it's much easier to walk the Christian path.

Today I am a single mother raising three kids up in Christ. I help manage a small cafe which is owned by a pastor and his wife they bought the cafe as a ministry to help others. I always wanted to work for the Lord, and I do it every day now, not only at home but at work. I've been sober for five years this coming May and I have no desire to go back to that lifestyle. Sin has consequences.

I suffered for a long time with mental issues due to a chemical imbalance caused by drug use. God miraculously gave me back a sound mind and helps me to keep walking on his path not my own. When you think you're too hopeless or too far gone you are not. You must surrender to Him. He chose me before the foundation of the world, and I now know I am His!

You must give Him your depression and anxiety and lean on His word and know He is for you and not against you. He is for His children, and He takes care of His kids. He is faithful. I see it every day of my life. I'm so thankful to lay down at night with my three kids and know it's only Him that has kept me and allowed me to raise them. I don't deserve that, and I definitely don't deserve salvation. That's how good He is! He gives what we don't deserve. I deserved eternity apart from Him. Still, I'm not perfect. He doesn't want perfection; He just wants you to trust Him, lean on Him and allow him to change your heart and heal you.

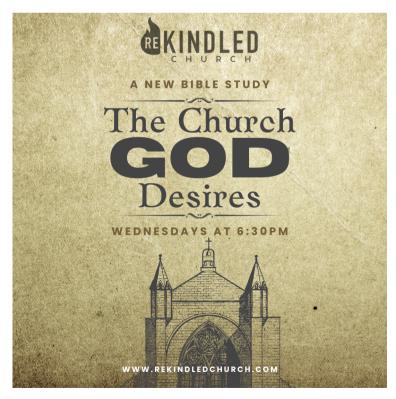


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I'm thankful I have a testimony to share, and I hope this blesses someone. My hope is that someone can come to know that Christ died for them and is reaching out his hand to save them from not only hell but from the sin that keeps them bound. He can do it!

I love everyone who is reading this and want you to know that Christ loves you and wants you to surrender and stop walking in the path that leads to the same destruction over and over. God is Faithful and when you surrender it all to Him and leave the sin, people and places behind and repent he can work in your life. He can't bless our mess, but he can restore all the broken in your life and give you a solid foundation. He is the solid rock you stand on his word!!!







THANKS FOR MAKING PRAISE-FEST A SUCCESS

by Doyle Rowan

The curtains have fallen, the lights have dimmed, and the echoes of music still resonate in our hearts. Praise-Fest has come to a close, leaving behind a trail of unforgettable memories and a deep sense of gratitude. As we take a moment to reflect on the magic of this musical journey, we are overwhelmed with appreciation for everyone who made it possible.

First and foremost, our heartfelt thanks go out to the incredible artists who graced our stages. Your talent and passion created an electric atmosphere that transported us to different worlds with each note. The energy you brought was nothing short of spectacular, and we are humbled to have had you as the heartbeat of our festival.

To our dedicated volunteers, you are the unsung heroes of Praise-Fest. Your tireless efforts, be it setting up stages, helping festival-goers find their way, or ensuring everyone's safety, were the backbone of this event. We couldn't have done it without you.

Our sponsors, partners, and vendors, your support was invaluable. Your belief in our vision and commitment to enhancing the festival experience for all played a crucial role in its success. Thank you for your generosity and dedication.

Of course, none of this would have been possible without the unwavering support of our loyal attendees. You came from near and far, bringing your enthusiasm and positivity, making the festival grounds come alive with your energy. Your smiles, your dance moves, and your collective spirit made Praise-Fest a place of unity and celebration.

We must also acknowledge the local community and authorities for their cooperation and understanding. Your support in ensuring a smooth and safe event is deeply appreciated. To our production team, sound engineers, security personnel, and all the behind-the-scenes workers, your professionalism and attention to detail ensured that everything ran seamlessly, leaving the audience free to enjoy the music.











PRAISE-FEST SUCCESS CONTINUED

As we bid adieu to this edition of Praise-Fest, we do so with hearts full of gratitude and excitement for what the future holds. Your support and enthusiasm have fueled our passion for music and community, and we can't wait to see you all again next year.

Until then, let the music continue to resonate in your hearts, and may the memories of Praise-Fest 2023 keep you dancing through life's rhythms.

Thank you, one and all, for making Praise-Fest a resounding success!

With immense gratitude,
Praise-Fest Committee Members





A WORD FROM PASTOR WILSON

Thank you all so much for your help at Praise Fest. It has always been on my pastor heart to share the Gospel out loud and proud with our community in any way we can. We have a gifted group of people, and some gifted musicians at Rekindled so we knew a music festival was a great chance to share with Albemarle. It was wonderful. Thank you all for putting your time out there and helping us. I loved

seeing us all work together as a family.

I also wanted to invite you to mark your calendars when our Wednesday night study begins again. We are planning to do the 5 weeks on 3 off schedules again, so please come join us. We will begin the first Wednesday in September at 630.

Rekindled Church, we have had a great answer to prayer with our building. The Lord is the only reason we have it. We prayed and He answered. Please continue to pray for us as we continue to spruce up what He has given us. We have worked hard on the sanctuary area, and next we will work on the kid's room. With all those things, we must continue to be mindful of our expenses so we will do things in stages and be responsible with the gifts He has given us. I never want to spend money to upkeep a facility and lose the ability to share the message of Christ through ministry and evangelism. Thank you already for your giving, and prayer, and please continue. The Lord has supplied us all with so much!

I love you guys, and I am so blessed to pastor Rekindled Church!

Love Pastor Wilson



If you have any ideas or would like to contribute an article, insight, good news or anything to the monthly newsletter, please let Doyle or Tessa know! We welcome your ideas and your help.

If anyone is interested in taking over sending out the cards and welcome cards, it is welcomed. The church provides the cards and stamps, you just have to write an encouraging note and send to people.



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