

Christian Scientists Healing in Africa



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After a long hiatus, we are starting up our testimonies of healing newsletters again. I Want To Help Africa receives so many reports of Christian Science healings in Africa, like this beautiful healing of elephantiasis of the woman in this picture from Zimbabwe. She was completely healed in a few days through Christian Science treatment, as she says below!

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My name is Winnet Mudimu Machokoto. The following is my testimony. I first gave it at the Church of Christ, Scientist informal group at Zangama School in Buhera South. I have asked Robert Simbini to translate it for me into English from Shona.

In 2015 I began to experience acute pain in my left leg. The pain was so severe that on some nights I would scream in pain. I went to a clinic for treatment but found only brief relief. To my horror my leg began to increase in size at an alarming rate. Again, I went back to the clinic where one of the visiting doctors announced that I was suffering from

a form of elephantiasis. I had never heard of the disease. I was told to go to hospital for further treatment and tests but I didn't go because we had no money. Some days I would feel as if my leg was dead and no longer a part of me and then feel extreme pain the next day. It was indeed a trying time for me and my family. Basically, the toes of my leg disappeared due to the 'fatness' of my leg, and walking for a few metres was a severe trial for me.

In 2016 our second son, who had transferred to a school about 12km from our home, arrived home in the evening full of excitement. He asked me and my husband to come listen to the good news. He said, "Mai (Mother) I am sure you are healed now. My teacher has given me this Shona Bible so that I read it to you and Baba (Father)."

Our son went on to tell us that he had asked his teacher to pray for me. The teacher, knowing all about the marital problems I'd been having with my husband, confidently told my son that I could be healed very fast if only I gave up all the anger and bitterness of the past. He then read Isaiah 65 v17: "Behold I create a new heaven and a new earth so that the old cannot be remembered or come to heart again." The verse floored me. It went right into my heart. I cried for some minutes as I remembered my quarrels with my husband over his infidelity. I remembered how I had almost divorced him but didn't because we have six children. I looked at him at that moment and saw how miserable he had become because of my illness and I decided to totally forgive him. I dried my tears and asked my son to go on reading and this time he read Psalm 91. This again was music to my ears.

All fear left me and for the first time felt light spirited. I felt hugged by God's love and I think my husband felt it too. Afterwards our son said he had finished the assignment from his teacher and said we were free to go to bed. That night I slept soundly. The following day my leg was greatly reduced in size and within 3 days it was completely back to normal. The whole family praised God! My home life since then has become quieter and more blessed. The teacher who healed me also healed my son of a long-standing food allergy. He couldn't eat vegetables and milk without falling violently ill. Now he eats all these foods without any sign of reaction.

People keep on telling me how lucky I am to be alive especially considering how dangerous elephantiasis is, but I am not lucky at all. I think I am so blessed, as well as all those who are willing to be humble and receptive to the word of God and heal with it. I am so grateful. I give all glory to God! (Ndinopa mbiri yose kuna Mwari!)