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**MONTHLY NEWSLETTER OF  
HEALINGS FROM AFRICA**

Read three healing testimonies below: a healing of chicken pox; a healing of birth complications; and a healing of a scorpion bite.



*Confess your faults one to another, and pray one for another, that ye may be healed. The effectual fervent prayer of a righteous man availeth much." (James 5:16)*

Every healing in the world brings healing to the individual but also to the whole world as well. We hope you enjoyed the first Christian Scientists Healing In Africa newsletter of African testimonies sent out on April 18th. (If you didn't get a copy, let us know and we can email you one. Or you can see it on our website.) We are very happy to continue sharing these amazing healing testimonies with you on a monthly basis.

***In case you missed the last newsletter, the following explains the background and our approach to sharing these wonderful Christian Science healings with you from our African brothers and sisters:***

Throughout our years of involvement in Africa (both through I Want To Help Africa, Inc. and Christian Scientists Healing in Africa, Inc.) literally hundreds of testimonies of wonderful (and often profoundly simple) Christian Science healing have poured into our office, enthusiastically shared with us (so often on scraps of paper or even by word of mouth) by individuals with profoundly grateful hearts and altered lives. Some of these testimonies have described an individual's own healings. Others have described healings of family members, friends, or even of other people in the public that an individual prayed for, following the teachings of Christian Science. Interestingly, none of the healings have utilized the assistance of an authorized Christian Science practitioner. And so many of the healings have been accomplished by people completely new to our religion.

These testimonies of healing shared with us from Africa have always thrilled and deeply inspired us over the years. So many of them have been written in broken English, because English isn't the writers' native language. Many of them also have exhibited a beautiful simplicity, using very few words, but still filled with the Holy Ghost and with power. We've consistently urged the writers of these testimonies to submit them for publication in the Christian Science periodicals. And a few of the healings have been submitted and published. However, the technological logistics of getting a testimony to the Christian Science Publishing Society (especially from very rural parts of Africa) often are simply insurmountable, since so many people do not have reliable access to the Internet – or even to international postal service. Plus, sometimes some of these testimonies have appeared to be so spectacular and instantaneous that the veracity of the testimony has been questioned when submitted. However, because of our extensive involvement in Africa during the last couple of decades, we have been able to either verify the healing testimonies we received or at least get corroboration from people we know concerning the reliability of the healing reports or of the character of the individual sharing them.

So as a spiritual counter fact to the current world-wide focus on the supposed power of fear, disease and death – as well as a testament to outstanding and consistent Christian Science healing taking place in Africa – we have decided to begin a regular series of newsletters that will share some of these healing testimonies from Africa which have been shared with us. At this time, for a number of reasons, we have decided to keep the names of the testifiers anonymous. But we assure you that each testimony we will share with you is a legitimate Christian Science healing. There will be some minor editing on our part for the purpose of clarification, but we will be striving to let the "African voice" shine through as much as possible. We hope what people will get from these newsletters isn't just a respect for the good healing work going on among Africans. These healings should also remind us of what our God is constantly doing in all of our lives and in the world. All of us, through Christian Science, are capable of repeating His mighty works for ourselves and others – wherever we are and under all circumstances.

*"Christ, Truth, was demonstrated through Jesus to prove the power of Spirit over the flesh, — to show that Truth is made manifest by its effects upon the human mind and body, healing sickness and destroying sin." (S&H 316:7-11)*



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## TESTIMONIES OF HEALING FROM AFRICA

### Healing of Chicken Pox

On a Wednesday, my son Nathaniel came home from school asking me to pray for him because he was itchy on the face. As he was scratching I saw there appeared to be some rash which was bumpy like. He also said as he scratched, it ended up being painful.

I then told him that he can never have what God never made and does not know. I told him I was praying for him and he needed not worry. He went to school the next day and when he came back, he told me that there was a teacher who told him that he had chicken pox. I had not regarded that rash to be chicken pox or I would not have sent my son to school.

And as my son was about to go to sleep, he told me that his hands were also getting itchy. The challenge that was there was that Nathaniel had a gymnastics competition the next day that he was supposed to take part in, but could not if he still had chicken pox. I then insisted in prayer that it did not matter what the teacher confirmed those symptoms to be; Nathaniel was the expression of God's perfect being therefore Nathaniel could not have chicken pox.

The very next day, all the symptoms of the so-called chicken pox had vanished. So Nathaniel was able to go to school and was able to go to the gymnastics competitions he was participating in. I thank God for the supremacy of good!

S.

### Healing of Birth Complications

Words cannot begin to express my gratitude to Almighty God for Christian Science and its healing power! I give all thanks to Him "for his unspeakable gift." (II Cor 9:15)

Last Friday evening, I received a call from my young sister who was in labour pain. I knew that the child was precious, so I kept my thoughts uplifted, loving, pure and spiritually minded. I was already knowing that the child was the reflection of Life, Truth, Love, Spirit, Soul, Mind and Principle which are the one true God indicated in the Bible and what Christian Science teaches us. I started praying, considering attributes that each of these names of God point to.

Whilst praying, I received a call that there were complications happening with my sister and her labour, and that she might not deliver well. I surely did not accept that, but continued to pray. When I woke up the following day, I paid her a visit. As I looked at my sister, I saw fear from her face. However, a passage from Science and Health quickly came to my mind: "To begin rightly is to end rightly. Every concept which seems to begin with the brain begins falsely. Divine Mind is the only cause or Principle of existence." (S&H 262: 28-31) I began my prayer by allaying the mother's fear. I'd learnt that diligent prayer removes fear and therefore can prevent any negative outcomes. I understood that God's creation could not have deformity or defect. I affirmed these truths, challenging that fear, and knew that this child reflected the perfection of God in every facet of its being.

Later on that day she happily delivered, very very well, a bouncing baby boy. I am very grateful to Christian Science and the ability it gives us to experience powerful healings. Glory to God!

D.

### **Child Healed of Scorpion Bite**

Yesterday around 7:30 pm my nephew got bitten by a black scorpion on his foot. I was sitting in the car when my sister came rushing and asked me to follow her where the children were playing. As I got there, my mum told me a scorpion had bitten Ethen on his foot and she was afraid it was going to bite another person if not found. I lifted the mat that was nearby Ethen and I saw the scorpion and we got rid of it.

I took my nephew who was shrieking in pain to the car where I had been sitting, to attend to him. Ethen whispered in tears that he could not bear the pain. As I looked at the small child in that state, I almost panicked and thought I could not handle it and needed some Christian Science practitioner more experienced than I. The first message I sent to the Christian Science practitioner was just a quick hello. But when I was about to type the next message, to explain the situation and ask for help, a thought came to me that healing flows from God, so I could not think that I could not handle it for God heals through me. I deleted my message, immediately went offline, and trusted in God's love.

Sitting next to my nephew, I started working with the idea in Genesis 1:31 that all that God made is good, therefore the scorpion being a part of God's creation must also be good. And in the Christian Science textbook, Science and Health with Key to the Scriptures by Mary Baker Eddy, it states that, "All of God's creatures, moving in the harmony of Science, are harmless, useful, indestructible." (S&H 514: 28-30) Therefore, no harm could come upon Ethen.

I then told my nephew that God loves him right now. Also, I summarized Genesis 1:26, and stated that God gave man dominion over all the earth and over every creeping thing, which means Ethen had authority. I then felt at peace, knowing that the one Mind, always harmoniously controlling all its ideas, was always protecting Ethen such that no harm could befall him at any moment.

After 5 minutes or so, someone came to the car with a medicine to apply to where Ethen had been bitten, but Ethen then said he was fine and did not need it. The pain had completely stopped. He never had any other challenge with that situation. I thank God for His love!

M.



**Thank you for your support of Christian Science healing and church growth in Africa. Please feel free to share these healing testimonies and newsletters with anyone (but please let them know the healings came from our website which they can access at any time). If you know of anyone who might be interested in signing up to receive these monthly newsletters, please have them follow the link below to our website so they can sign up -- or send us their email address and we will ask them if they would like to receive the newsletters.**

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