

More Miracles

Within 8 weeks of Sophie's miracle, we had prayed for approximately 17 people with legs shorter than each other, often caused by car accidents, diseases, or other back injuries. Of these, all except two people have had their legs grow to equal length, resulting in either full or partial healing of their back problems. Sometimes the leg grew out instantly, other times we needed to minister inner healing first then the physical. I have even had children gather around and watch and help pray as legs grew out in front of their eyes. One man had to adjust his trouser pants after his leg grew. Here are just two of many stories written Dec 6th 2009:

"On Sunday 18th October, 2009 Ken Rayment from Impact Ministries came to St Matthew's and spoke about Healing, I was part of the Prayer Team and had just finished praying, and was thinking of going for a cup of tea, when I felt a strong desire to go and ask for prayer. In fact I wasn't sure what I was going to ask for prayer for! I felt overwhelmed, and the word 'resentment' came to me, but I found it hard to say the word, but when I did 'resentment' was confirmed by one of the prayers. I then knew that it was a hurt I was unconsciously holding on to that made me resent this person, and that I needed to confess and ask for forgiveness. I felt a weight lifted from me. I was asked to sit on a chair with my legs out in front of me. One leg was shorter than the other, something I had not noticed before. As Ken prayed my left leg became level with the right one. Praise God. Since then I have had no discomfort from neck or back pain."

Pauline

"I have had a back problem for more than 10 years, causing considerable on-going pain, and, as a result, I was walking with a significant limp. I have spent many years trying to improve the situation, with minimal success, and I found that I couldn't walk far without pain. When the Impact Team was ministering at St Matthew's I knew that I had to go forward for prayer. There were some emotional issues to be dealt with, and then the team members who were praying for me checked to see if my legs were the same length – the left leg was over a centimetre shorter than the right! As they prayed, they saw my left leg grow till they were both the same length. Wow!! The test was to walk down the aisle to check my walking – and for the first time in many, many years, I walked without a limp. God did a wonderful thing in me that day, and I'm walking taller and with better posture than I have for a long time!"

Helen

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How do you reach a city?

On the 1st July 2009 I was impacted by the book of Jonah and God's heart to reach a city. I began asking God the question "How do you reach a city?" Then on the 26th of July while attending the combined church service in Casey, Rob Isaachsen from 'Transforming Melbourne' spoke regarding the challenge and opportunities facing the church of Melbourne and shared some sobering statistics.

* While the population of Melbourne is increasing by 180,000 people a year, church attendance is actually decreasing by almost 5000 people per annum.

* Currently 8.3% of Melbourne's population attend some kind of church on a typical Sunday, yet for nearly half the population who are under 34 years old, only 4% of these will be found in church.



What a reminder - It's not enough for a couple of churches to do well. It's not enough even if we were to run events that reached 10,000 people - 'The church' is still losing ground. "God, I cried again, "how do you reach a city?" Over the next four days God gave me two answers that together were the key to unlocking that answer, and what may well be God's calling on my life.

Since then a strategy has been forming in my mind with greater clarity than I have ever had before regarding Kingdom growth.

Please read the accompanying letter, and consider coming with your pastor or key leaders to the information night.

Ken

"Oak Tree Discipleship - a strategy for Kingdom growth"

7:30pm Wednesday night 10th February 2010

St Matt's Church, 101 Matthew Flinders Drive. Endeavour Hills

Dec 09

From being suicidal to finding life.

Jenny came to the 'Search' course at the start of the year. Her eyes appeared glazed over, her head was often downcast, she was self harming, and lacked all confidence. To then have her recently stand in front of the 'Growing to Maturity' (GTM) course participants to confidently tell her story, was nothing but miraculous. The following is part of her testimony.

"...Life before Jesus was out of control, depression, anxiety, alcohol abuse and many suicide attempts. November last year (2008) during my second time of being in a psychiatric hospital within 5 years, I made the decision that I needed God in my life.

For the last 10 plus years I sensed something was missing. I searched for answers from self help books, astrology and at times even contemplated visiting a clairvoyant or a nearby Buddhist Temple. These just didn't feel right; the Holy Spirit must have been working on my conscience. The day I turned to Jesus I felt as if the final piece of the puzzle that was missing from my soul had been found and put in place. I felt whole at last.

I started once again to attend Church, mid December 2008. At the beginning of 2009 I started attending the Search course which is an introduction to Christianity. I then followed on with GTM 1 and 2. From the end of June 2009 I left Melbourne to live at Mt Buller for 3 months. I think of this time as a kind of retreat as I had lots of time to read, watch DVD's and listen to Christian music. It was here that I discovered just how truly the Bible was a living book and how quickly the time went when I opened it up to read from it. I had a thirst that I felt unquenchable. I came back home late September ready to jump into GTM 3.

I misbelieved, thinking that if you were a Christian you would lead a boring and controlled life with rules and regulations. What a joke. I have since found freedom and peace that I never thought possible. Freedom from addiction to alcohol (I now choose not to drink), lack of self worth, guilt over hurting my family and own self harm. To now live a full and content life, knowing that I am truly loved by God and our Saviour Jesus, and that he died on the cross for my sins and I have been reborn, Hallelujah!!!

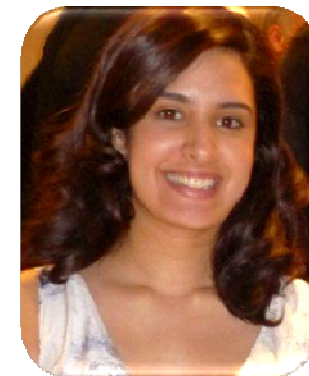
My depression has lifted (though we all have our bad days) but I am experiencing days that are the happiest that I can ever remember in a long time. I have been on a wonderful and fulfilling journey with many questions answered. I still have lots of questions and a great thirst for Jesus, and with great joy I look forward to continuing my journey to grow to maturity as a Christian."

Jenny

The first Leg to Grow!

In Aug 09 Sophie, a friend of my son David who had just come to faith, was visiting our church for the first time. When the pastor invited those who needed freedom from fear to stand, she along with others stood. A couple of us gathered around her to pray. When we took authority over fear a reaction occurred where she fell to the floor. That was the beginning of some awesome freedom and inner healing that God did in Sophie. That week while we met to minister further to Sophie, I was determined to also pray for her physical healing. Sophie suffered from scoliosis, or curvature of the spine which caused her hips to be unequal in height. It would also cause pain and posture problems for which she had previously undergone x-rays and MRI scans. Despite praying numerous times and then each time immediately re-examining her hips, there was still absolutely no change. Quietly, before the Lord I kept asking, 'God I know you want her healed but how on earth do we get these miracles to take place?' It was then that I questioned her more determinedly about whether the specialist had ever diagnosed her with one leg shorter than the other.

Sophie offhandedly replied, "Well he said one leg was about 1 ½ centimetres shorter than the other." Immediately I sat her in a chair and examined the legs. Sure enough one was obviously shorter, so I commanded the hips to align and the short leg to lengthen. As I watched, like the hand of the clock, I couldn't at first see it moving but the gap was closing until in the end it came into perfect alignment. Sophie stood up and in sharp contrast to before, her hips and spine were perfectly straight and she felt different walking! Since then we have had to pray for her a few times to be able to hold on to her healing and to gain more freedom. As a result Sophie now remains totally free of all pain and her legs are equal; however, while the back doesn't have the troubles as before the hips have not returned to the perfection of when we first prayed. I just found our Sophie has very bad flat feet that causes her ankles to roll inwards which I suspect affects the hips. Could you please pray with us that God will create new arches in her feet, just like he did for James at the 'Big Tent Event'.



Free Downloadable C.D Message
"Destroying the Devils work"
Includes Sophie's and Dan's
testimonies, Ken preaching, and
then praying for legs to grow.
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