

Testimony of Dolores Fung¹ (Followed by Chinese Version)

I have been praying to God to give me the courage to speak in front of you on my baptism today. Just as I prayed 3 years ago to God to give me strength during Stanley's recovery from his accident.

Before I accepted Christ, I believe that we could solve every problem ourselves. And for the last 23 years of our marriage and family, life was peaceful and calm. Stanley took care of everything in the family and I have always been a stay-home mother. Yet I was stubborn, bossy and with short temper .



It was 3 years ago that I suddenly realized that I could lose all my security in a second. When Stanley was unconscious in the ICU, I felt helpless every time I left the place. Although we had no religion at that time, the only thing I could do was to pray to God for strength to go through this difficult time. Every night when I prayed, I felt positive that God was listening, knowing God could save him. All my family, friends, brothers and sisters from Gilead prayed for him and miracle did happen. With blessing, He woke up.

When Stanley was in the Modesto hospital and rehab hospital in Berkeley, Pastor Yot and Linda came to visit us several times and pray for us. When Stanley was recovering at home, Pastor Howard came one day and asked whether we were ready to accept Jesus as our Savior. Stanley and Justin accepted Christ without hesitation. But for me, I was still struggling with the commitment I was asked to make. I was brought up in a Catholic school. Several of my sisters and brothers are Catholic. I know there's God, but was unsure if I believe whether I would be a Catholic or Christian.

During Stanley's stay at home, Karen loaned us some DVDs on the "Showers of Blessing". I continued to watch this program on T.V. I was touched by the stories in the program and one day I came across a story similar to ours. I started to cry and followed the invitation of the anchor lady in the show to pray the prayer: "I accept Jesus Christ as my Savior," confessed my sins and asked Jesus for forgiveness. I suddenly realized that I should not be so stubborn about being Catholic or Christian. I now have believed in the Lord Jesus Christ.

After I became a Christian, I started to come to Gilead Church for Sunday worship. In the beginning, I always fell sleepy and day dreamed during sermon. Slowly I started to pay attention and began to understand the meaning of the word of God through the Holy Spirit. Worship becomes more interesting and I learn a lot from the Cantonese Sunday School class too.

I feel very comfortable in Gilead as it is a God-given big family for me. I read the Bible and desire to be more Christ's like. As a Christian, I learned that I need to put God in the first place, follow his instruction, learn to be humble, patient and have faith in Him. I truly appreciate God's love. His grace is far more than what I can ask for. Now, I am so blessed, peaceful and happy from within my heart. I am no longer stubborn or impatient on little things as I used to for I have already experienced the greatest blessing of life from God. I hope and pray that my daughter, my relatives, my friends and everyone here who have not accepted Christ will soon come to trust in God who is gracious and sovereign in His own

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timing for everyone. Jesus said in Revelation 3:21 “Here I am! I stand at the door and knock. If anyone hears my voice and opens the door, I will come in and be with him, and he with me.” He is knocking on your door, do not hesitate to open it for Him. I am thankful that He has come into my life and by taking this baptism in Christ name, I want to share my faith and testimony with all of you. Thank you.

今天我向神禱告，求祂賜我勇氣，就像三年前Stanley的交通意外一樣，勇敢的是說出我的見証。

我未信主之前，我和丈夫都相信我們自己有能力解決所有的問題，我們的婚姻無風無浪，很平靜地渡過了23年。男主外，女主內，我就留在家中做家庭主婦和照顧孩子們。那時我是一個頑固執著，喜歡發號司令和脾氣不大好的人。

大約在三年前的夏天，我差點失去了我生命中最大的依靠（我的丈夫），當我丈夫發生嚴重車禍那一刻，被送到Modesto醫院深切治療部，還未甦醒，我感到很無助，雖然我們都沒有宗教信仰，每晚我從病房經過醫院的小教堂，我都會進去祈禱，之後我感覺到神給我希望，也知道神在聆聽著我的禱告，我相信神一定會醫治他。我的家人、朋友、基列教會的弟兄姊妹都為他祈禱，最後奇蹟終於出現，他醒來了。躲過了癱瘓或成為植物人的命運，甚或死神的呼喚。

當他在Modesto醫院和Berkeley的療養中心時，李一牧師和候牧師都不斷前來探望，為我們一家人禱告。在Stanley回家休養後的一個晚上，候牧師問我們是否願意接受主耶穌為我們的救主時，Stanley和Justin（兒子）毫不猶豫就決志信主，而我還是為我一個承諾在掙扎著，因我從小就讀天主教學校，在那裏長大，我的好幾個姊姊和哥哥都是天主教徒，所以我一直都知道有這個造物主，但沒有信念。我不知道我如果信主的話，應該成為天主教徒或是基督徒。

當Stanley在家中療養的時候，Karen姊妹借了一些「恩雨之聲」的影碟，跟著我開始繼續看這個節目，有一天，我看到一集「星火飛騰」，那個故事和我們的車禍故事很相似，我深深被感動，我的眼淚不由自主地流下來，跟著那主持人的邀請禱告：我決志接受主耶穌基督作我的救主。我承認我是個罪人和求祂寬恕，我突然發覺我不應該那麼執著做天主教徒或是基督徒，我相信都是同一個主耶穌基督。

同年十二月當Stanley脫下了頭上那個支架，我們就履行我們對主的承諾，開始與Justin一起來基列教會崇拜，起初聽牧師講道，我時常會打呵欠和發白日夢，跟著聖靈就開始引領我集中精神和慢慢地開始明白神的話語。每星期日的崇拜都逐漸變得有興趣，從廣東話中文查經班我學到了很多神的道理。

我很感恩，基列教會是神賜給我的一個信仰大家庭，弟兄姊妹都很和藹可親，互相關懷，很有愛心，令我感到很有親切感，我開始讀聖經和學習主耶穌基督的教導。

我知道作為一個基督徒要把主放在第一位，遵守十誡，學習謙卑，忍耐，對神滿有信心，我很感謝祂對我們的愛和恩寵是超越我的祈求，我從心底裏感恩，得到平安和喜樂。在一些小事情上我沒有以前那麼固執，變得有耐性，因我已經歷神的救恩和最大的祝福。我為我的家人、親戚、朋友和在座未信主的每一位祈禱，希望你們有一天都會接受這位至高無上的，唯一的主耶穌基督做你們的救主。耶穌在啟示錄第三章二十節說：「看哪，我站在門外叩門，若有聽見我聲音就開門的，我要進到他那裏去，我與他，他與我一同坐席。」當祂叩你心門的時候，不要猶豫，開門讓祂進到你的心。我很感謝主的救恩臨到我的生命，決志信主，也很高興能夠和大家分享我的信仰，為主見証。