



UNSTOPPABLE *Faith*

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Nick and the Life Without Limbs team recently visited a prison in Florida. We hope you will enjoy this story by our Donor Relations Manager Cheryl Santello.

As I stood handing out flyers, I noticed an older man sitting on a nearby bench. Our eyes met. Something inside said, go talk to him. I walked over and asked, "How are you?"

He began to share his story about almost dying from a heart attack the previous year. Something in his story and his eyes pulled me closer into him. **I asked if he would allow me to pray for him. He said, "Yes, please!"**

I bent down, put my hand over his and prayed. When I finished, he looked up at me, smiled and said, "Thank you."

"What's your name?" I asked. He showed me his ID badge and said, "My name is Kenneth, what's yours?" I told him my name was Cheryl. He smiled wide and said, "That was my wife's name. She has passed away." I told him I believed our meeting was a divine appointment set by God. He nodded and agreed.

After I walked back to my seat, another inmate approached me and thanked me for praying with Kenneth. He said, "**Kenneth doesn't ever talk to anyone and never allows anyone to pray with him.**" I heard the same thing about Kenneth from a few other inmates.

Later, Kenneth came over and asked if he could tell me the whole story of how God worked through his health situation. I smiled and said, "It would be an honor!" He told me all about his heart attack and how God showed himself mighty every time that Kenneth should have died. When he finished, I looked into his eyes and thanked him for sharing and encouraged him to continue seeking after God because clearly, God wasn't done with him yet.

It was a privilege to be an instrument of God's encouragement for Kenneth. I'm overflowing with gratitude to God for allowing me to be used for His purpose in the life of another believer.



Your story IS HStory

Dear friend,

Wow. The past few months have been insane. Between the coronavirus pandemic, stock market ups and downs, sheltering in place, lines at grocery stores, restaurants shutting down, etc...we're all going through a huge test of our faith.

As my family shelters in place in California, I'm reminded of how it must feel to be in prison. I think one reason our Prison Ministry resonates so strongly with so many is because we can relate to the terrible burden of being imprisoned by our sin. And while our Prison Ministry is a physical representation of our spiritual prison, we know that Jesus can break all our chains.

From Genesis to Revelation, the entire Bible reflects the story of God's plan and how Jesus busted through the prison walls of sin and death...for us. I'm sure you too have a story about how God freed you and continues to free you every day. [Your story IS God's story!](#)

I don't know what will happen between the writing of this letter and you reading it, but I do know that what the enemy meant for evil, God will use for good. I know the Church will rise up like never before to be the hands and feet of Jesus, creating a great harvest of souls.

Thank you for standing with us at the prison gates of hell, redirecting traffic.

Together we can reach the world for Jesus.

In Him, For Him, Through Him,

Nick

P.S. Coming up in May will be our Proclaim Jesus fundraising campaign! We're excited to see what God will do to help us proclaim the name of Jesus farther and wider than ever before.



“For our light affliction, which is but for a moment, is working for us a far more exceeding and eternal weight of glory, while we do not look at the things which are seen, but at the things which are not seen. For the things which are seen are temporary, but the things which are not seen are eternal.”

2 CORINTHIANS 4:17-18

YOUR GIFTS ARE *changing lives Forever!*

Support from generous donors like you has enabled Life Without Limbs to share the Gospel around the world through four focus areas: **Digital Ministry, Prison Ministry, Live Outreach Events, and Prayer & Encouragement.**

DIGITAL MINISTRY

Using the power of technology to expand our reach.

"I've been wanting God in my life, but I've felt like he hasn't been listening, punishing me for being a sinner.

I have a gambling addiction. I felt empty, constantly chasing feelings of excitement to fill the voice of a meaningless life. My addiction gave me an escape until it took almost everything away from me.

Lost, I turned to God and prayed. Nothing improved. I decided I needed to go to church, but Sunday morning came and I couldn't bring myself to go. I felt like a fraud. I turned on YouTube and searched for sermons, but nothing resonated.

Then I found yours.

Your sermon about searching for purpose and the miracles you witnessed struck me in a way nothing has before. When you cited Jeremiah 29:11, I wept. I broke down in tears that I haven't cried since I was a baby. **Waves of emotion came over me, and for the first time I felt the presence of Jesus.**

I've been a Christian my whole life, but when I prayed, I only asked God for things. I never truly talked to Jesus. Well, I started talking to Jesus last Sunday. My perspective has completely changed. I feel something filling up that hole inside me.

I'm still worried about money and how to go on, but because of you, I don't feel completely alone. You did that. In my home, on a day when I couldn't bring myself to go to church, you brought Jesus to me." Anonymous

PRISON MINISTRY

Winning inmates to Jesus, discipling them, and teaching them how to bring others to Christ.

"There were so many times I have failed. But I can say after attending the Free in My Faith class I know now that I can do all things through Christ Jesus who strengthens me. I have a new life and I'm free. Free from pain, fear, and disappointment because I am free in my faith." -Wanda

LIVE OUTREACH EVENTS

Saturating the world with the Gospel and uniting the body of Christ.

"Hey, I know this probably won't go directly to Nick but I wanted you guys to know that I was at the event tonight at Rocky Mountain Calvary. I wanted to tell you all what God is doing. I have been praying for people to come to know Jesus and getting discouraged. I am in a new work place where there are only two believers in the staff of over a hundred. I have been questioning why God has me there when I fall so often. How can I show them who He is? But as Nick was talking I got really excited. Because everything he was saying connected with what I had read this morning in 1 Corinthians about how God uses foolishness to confound the wise. I am so encouraged that He wants to do a work there. But there is more.

Nick said he was praying for 500 people to get saved. At the event only 450 came down. I was still elated because to me it was like watching Acts 1. I was literally in tears as I drove home moved because of it. When I got home I felt strongly that God wasn't done. I felt that He wants the full 500. So I prayed about it and God started putting names on my heart. Some I had forgotten or lost touch with but all I think He has placed His call upon. So I started contacting all of them and I told them that God has told me to tell them that He loved them and has a plan for their life. There are 50 of them. I am trusting Him for the full amount. So I am going to pray for them faithfully until they come because I believe He has called them. I believe that this is what God is doing because the second person I texted (I haven't talked to him in 2 years) told me that he couldn't believe my text because he had just given his life to Jesus a few days ago.

I just wanted you all to know that I think God wants to move in Colorado Springs and I want to be one who prays in faith for what God wants to do." -Lydia

PRAYER & ENCOURAGEMENT

Connecting people to Jesus by praying with them and for them.

"I don't know what to do. I am deaf, going blind in one eye, have diabetes, and maybe have bipolar. I am scared. I am trying to be strong. I don't know how much more I can take." -Mary

LIVING A HOPE INSPIRED LIFE



I hear it all the time. “I hope it doesn’t rain.” Or, “I hope we win.”

But is the essence of hope really limited to statements like “I hope it doesn’t rain?” Sounds a lot more like a wish than hope to me!

When you look up the word hope in the dictionary, the first definition you’ll find reads, “The feeling that events will turn out for the best.” I imagine this is probably the first thing most people think of when we hear the word hope. But I’m going to tell you right up front – it’s not the kind of hope I’m interested in! No, we have more than enough wishful thinking going around these days.

But look through the other definitions in the dictionary and you’ll find a richer meaning for this word. **Hope can be described as “a person or thing in which expectations are center.”** Now that’s what I’m talking about! It’s the kind of hope that’s centered in the person of Jesus Christ.

What are you hoping for today? Good weather? A positive outcome? Hey, let’s take it a little deeper.

Maybe there’s a relationship that needs to be healed. Or you’re longing for a deeper sense of significance and belonging. Whatever you’re hoping for, fix your expectations on the only One who deserves our trust. **If you’re placing your hope in anyone or anything other than Jesus, that’s not hope at all. It’s wishful thinking!**

Psalm 31:24 says, *“Be strong and let your heart take courage, All you who hope in the Lord.”* (NASB). And here’s another verse I love: *“May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace as you trust in him, so that you may overflow with hope by the power of the Holy Spirit”* (Romans 15:13 NIV).

The above is excerpted from the Introduction to Nick’s devotional “31 Days To A Hope Inspired Life.” Continue uncovering the hope in Jesus Christ by ordering your own copy of the devotional at store.lifewithoutlimbs.org.

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