LAUGHING Women
The Place of Promotion

10 Years
OF GOD'S FAITHFULNESS

TESTIMONIES
OF TRANSFORMATION • HOPE • PURPOSE

Real Stories. Real Impact. **Real God.**



10 YEARS OF IMPACT

CELEBRATING A DECADE
OF CHANGING LIVES
ACROSS NATIONS

TEN YEARS OF GOD'S FAITHFULNESS

For ten extraordinary years, God has used Laughing Women to transform lives, restore hope and raise a generation of women and girls who walk in purpose, confidence and grace.

What started as a divine instruction has become a global movement of love, faith and impact — touching lives across communities, nations and generations.

OUR VISION

Empowering women and girls to discover their God-given purpose, rise above limitations and become agents of transformation in their families, communities and nations.

OUR MISSION

To inspire, equip and support women and girls through faith-based programmes, outreach initiatives and leadership development, bringing hope, healing and lasting change.

OUR VALUES

- Faith in God
- Love in Action
- Integrity
- Excellence
- Empowerment
- Compassion
- Unity

> God has made me laugh, and everyone who hers about this will laugh with me.
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> **GENESIS 21:6**

AT A GLANCE

14+
Countries Reached

250,000+
Lives Impacted

100+
Community Outreach Initiatives

THOUSANDS
Impacted through the Shoe Project

WOMEN, GIRLS & YOUTH
Empowered for a Better Tomorrow

ONE GOD
Endless Stories of Transformation







THE POWER OF TESTIMONIES



Every testimony is EVIDENCE OF GOD'S FAITHFULNESS.

Ten years ago, God gave a clear instruction that would shape the heart of Laughing Women:

COLLECT THE TESTIMONIES.

They would become our legacy, our strength, our witness and our global voice.

OUR STORIES BECOME WARFARE IN THE KINGDOM.

When we share what God has done, darkness is broken, hope is awakened and destinies are released.

OUR TESTIMONIES DECLARE WHAT GOD HAS DONE, IS DOING AND WILL DO.

- They glorify God.
- They build faith.
- They encourage others.
- They advance His Kingdom.
- They become a legacy for generations.

THIS BOOK IS A CELEBRATION OF

GOD'S FAITHFULNESS

THROUGH THE LIVES OF WOMEN, FAMILIES, COMMUNITIES AND NATIONS.

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EVERY TESTIMONY IS A CELEBRATION OF GOD'S FAITHFULNESS.

These are more than stories; they are evidence of His love, power and the transformation that happens when we say yes to Him.

> *They overcame him by the blood of the Lamb and by the word of their testimony."*
> REVELATION 12:11

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01 THE GOODNESS OF GOD OVER MY LIFE

I want to testify to the goodness of God over my life and how my life has been transformed through this ministry. Ever since I joined this ministry, it has been great. Now I have the courage to go out and evangelise, and my prayer altar is strong.

02 BLESSING OF A CAMERA AND A PRINTER

I want to appreciate God for blessing me with a camera and a printer through this ministry.

03 KNOWN IN MY COMMUNITY

Through this ministry, God has made me known in different communities because of the outreaches and feeding programmes we regularly carry out.

04 THANKFUL LAUGHING WOMEN CAME MY WAY

Lastly, I want to thank God for bringing Laughing Women my way.

AUDU JERRY
Ambassador, Abuja

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05 HOW I FOUND LAUGHING WOMEN

God be all the glory. I met Ma Julia Opadiran as we travelled to Ilorin after our WOWICNN (Women Wing Christian Council of Nigeria) bloc meeting. She shared with me about the group, and I felt joy and interest in becoming part of it.

06 LOVE, CARE AND THE HOLY SPIRIT IN KADUNA

I was invited to Kaduna for one of the programmes, and what I saw, heard and felt was the Holy Spirit filling the park. I gained new friends, encouragers and partners in serving the Lord Jesus. I felt love, care and a sense of home in the few days we spent together.

07 JOY AMONG THE WIDOWS OF JIGAWA

In Jigawa, when Ma Opadiran came for the launch, reaching out to widows, all the women who came were moved to join the group for mission work. Across our feeding and empowerment programmes for widows and their children, there was joy, happiness and peace on their faces, and they expressed a wish to have more of these activities.

08 BLESSING, CARE AND COMFORT IN OUR ZOOM FELLOWSHIP

Blessing, care and shared burdens are present in all our Zoom fellowships as we meet daily for devotion, prayer and fasting. I feel joy, peace and encouragement. I experienced great love when I lost my mother; everyone was there for me with kindness, compassion, prayer and practical support. May God grant more grace and good health to all in this foundation, in abundance. Amen.

REV RUTH ANDY NDANDOK
Ambassador, Jigawa

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09 WHEN HE FOUND ME IN THE SILENCE

I went to school to make my dad proud, that was my "why." So when he died, everything collapsed, not just my heart but my whole life. My school lost my results for almost a year. I lost all my phones. Communication with friends went silent, and I stopped having dreams at night, which broke me most of all, because I believed God spoke to me through dreams. I began asking why I was left with nothing: no school, no friends, no dad. I was wondering if God had abandoned me too. I cried myself to sleep night after night. One night I cried so hard that I did the only thing I knew how to do: I wrote. "Dear God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit," I began, and I poured out everything: the pain, the rejection, the job applications with no replies, watching friends move forward while I stayed stuck. I even asked Him for a sign, even a dream, even a nightmare, just to know He still cared. I finished the letter and, for the first time in a long time, slept deeply. And God answered. In a dream, He showed me in detail that at every point He was making a way, and He told me to trust Him. After that, God started sending people, and everyone kept telling me the same thing: stop doubting, God's got you. But the pain was still there, and I kept thinking that if my dad were alive, things wouldn't be like this. It got so bad that I would hit myself, not knowing how to let go.

Then I went to a youth conference at Arise Ministries International Church in Zambia, hosted by Laughing Women, where Dr Jite was speaking. When she opened the floor for questions, my heart screamed to ask, and though I was scared, I asked about losing a loved one. I don't remember all the words, but I remember her hugging me, warmly, in a way that felt like being told to let go. She whispered, "Let go of dad," and it felt as though God was speaking through her, seeing me in the secret places where I had cried to my dad's picture, asking why he left. At that moment, something shifted, and the weight lifted. Out of that encounter, God birthed something in me, a brand called ChessBoard, a place to talk about pain and about the God who says let go, because with or without my dad, He is still God, still Father to the fatherless. Grief will tell you God is silent, but sometimes He is speaking in dreams, in hugs, in strangers who say don't doubt. I was redefined by God through the woman of God, Dr Jite.

10 RECOVERY IS A PROCESS, NOT A RACE

This is my second testimony. I still struggle with the pain, and if I'm honest, it even got worse at some point, because I kept asking myself why I was taking so long to heal. Everything that happened made me feel small. My friends were graduating while I was still in school, and I felt like I was nothing; just a girl who dreams and makes plans, only to crush them herself for being "too much of a thinker." In the middle of that, there was still a small voice telling me that one day I would make it, but then I would look at my pocket and doubt all over again. I was still struggling with the loss of my dad, and every time I thought of it I hated myself more for not having healed yet. I was anxious, wondering if my dreams would ever come true. I even stopped my business because people owed me money, and it felt like I had gone back to zero. Whenever my mum was in her room having the Laughing Women prayers, I would sit and listen and pray along, but deep down I wished I could talk with the woman of God again, because I remembered what He had done before and wanted to feel Him again.

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Then Dr Jite came to Zambia for another youth conference at Arise Ministries International, in the same week we were remembering my dad's death, which overwhelmed me even more. But I still attended, and when we were praying I asked God to speak to me again and help me understand. Dr Jite talked about being overwhelmed and invited anyone feeling that way to come forward. I stayed in the audience, still asking myself if I was feeling that way or past it. As she sang, I kept praying in my heart to be like the woman with the issue of blood who touched Jesus. When she said, "Touch anything," I was amazed but hesitant, until I saw my mum walk forward and heard her call me to come too. I touched her. I cried, but I held it together, until Dr Jite prayed for me, and it felt like I was talking to God crying, yet in conversation, with my questions being answered.

From that time I was not the same. I was blessed further by the message she preached that day, "The Journey to Recovery," which told Joseph's story and taught that recovery is not about getting back what you lost but becoming what God has called you to become a process, not a main event, not something to rush. After that, my burdens were lifted. I am still recovering, but I now understand that it is a process, and I am not moving in circles. From it all I learned that healing isn't a deadline. God doesn't rush recovery; He walks you through it step by step, like Joseph. I am not behind. I am becoming.

KASONGO BUTEMWE NAOMI
Member, Lusaka, Zambia

11 KEYS TO A NEW HOME

Through this prayer platform, the Lord gave a word and a date for the keys to a new home. I was the woman God showed favour and mercy. Thank You, Jesus.

12 A CAR I WASN'T PLANNING FOR

The Lord spoke at a time when I had no intention of buying a car and wasn't financially ready, but He spoke through His daughter, Dr Jite Newton, that I would buy a car within weeks, with no plan for how it would happen. The Lord went ahead and aligned helpers my way, and I became the owner of my dream car. Thank You, Jesus.

13 PEACE TURNED AROUND FOR OUR GOOD

I thank the Lord for giving me and my family peace and love. What the enemy meant for evil, the Lord turned around for our good. Thank You, Jesus.

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14 SPIRITUAL AND PHYSICAL GROWTH

I thank the Lord for spiritual and physical growth in my family since I started Laughing Women in 2021 — God's guidance and favour over my family. Protocols were broken for me and my family's sake, including a promotion and elevation at my workplace. To God I give all the glory. Thank You, Jesus. God bless Laughing Women.

15 AN OFFER LETTER, PROTOCOLS BROKEN

On 30 August 2026, my offer letter for my promotion finally came, with protocols broken for my sake. God's favour, mercy and power. Thank You, Jesus.

CHINYERE ANUFORO
Ambassador, USA

16 VULNERABLE AND UNRESTRAINED

I joined Laughing Women in 2023, at a very difficult time in my life, having lost my husband four years earlier. I remember the morning I joined, a sister had sent me the link, as always, but that day I decided to join in, and my life has changed since. The true word of God is taught here, and the Holy Spirit isn't restrained. I appreciate that we can be vulnerable with one another, no holds barred. The word of God is truth and life, and that is what we experience daily.

17 DELIVERED FROM DEPRESSION

I moved away from my usual place of abode in September 2025. I had high hopes for that move, but the Lord had other plans. I tried everything I knew to establish myself, and I went into depression, as much as I wanted to deny it, always sad, hopeless and afraid. I received words of knowledge that didn't appeal to me at first, but I chose to let the Lord have His way. In the March 2026 edition of the 7 Hours of Praise, the Lord showed Himself strong. I was delivered from the spirit of depression, and He provided a way of escape for me. I met wonderful people and got help with work, I could never have done it myself, but for the Lord. He keeps opening doors just to make sure I'm alright while I wait. Every time I seem stuck, there is always a word of encouragement on the Laughing Women prayer line, always. Praise Jesus.

PATRICIA NDIDI IGHO
Member, Ontario, Canada

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18 THE DAY MY DOCUMENTS WERE RELEASED

I joined this prayer line, Laughing Women, in 2022, soon after arriving in the UK. At that time I was struggling to get my documents, the UK Home Office kept requesting different papers, and although we had already submitted everything they asked for, there was still no good news. Then, in one service, Dr Jite said God was showing her that someone was sitting on somebody's document, but that God had gone ahead of them and the pressure had been released, in Jesus' name. That day I keyed into that prayer with all my heart. The very next day, while at work, I received a call from my aunty telling me my documents had been released; I was granted a 5-year EU Pre-Settlement Scheme visa. I give all the glory to God. Indeed, God answers prayers, and He is always faithful.

19 NINE YEARS, AND THEN A PHONE CALL

This is my second testimony. For nine years, my elder brother had been missing. We went to different churches and pastors, some took money from us and told us he was alive and would return, while others said he was dead. My mother cried and prayed constantly, and eventually we lost all hope. During this period my father became sick and passed away, and even then my brother could not be found; we had expected him to come for the burial, but there was still no sign of him, and we concluded he was dead.

When I came to the United Kingdom in 2021, my aunt invited me to join Laughing Women, and God has been faithful to me and my family ever since. During one of our evening programmes, Dr Jite brought a prayer point: "Pharaoh, let my people go." I keyed into that prayer for my brother like never before, calling his name: "Pharaoh, let Ifeanyi Anyeache go, in Jesus' name." Then, one Sunday morning, my phone rang, and it was my brother, the very brother who had been missing for nine years. He told me that a friend of ours had seen him and informed him that our father had passed away, which shocked him deeply. He pleaded with our friend to help him find his family, explaining that he too had been searching for us. Our friend, equally surprised, called me on WhatsApp, and when I realised it was my brother I began screaming and crying, because it felt like a dream. I called my mother immediately, and she was crying too. After nine years of searching, praying and losing hope, God brought my brother back to us. Today he is home with us, alive and well. What doctors, pastors and people could not do, God did.

20 A WORD SPOKEN, A WEDDING, A BABY

This is my third testimony. I also want to thank God for His faithfulness. In 2022, during one of our morning prayers, Dr Jite ministered to me and said, "Chioma, I see you getting married this year." I was surprised, because at the time my husband and I were not even in the same country and had not been talking about marriage. But I shouted "Amen" in faith. In December 2022, I travelled to Nigeria for Christmas, and to my surprise my husband proposed and asked for a family introduction. At the introduction, my uncle asked him directly whether he wanted to marry me or simply introduce himself

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and leave; when my husband said he wanted to marry me, my uncle told him to bring his family and pay the bride price, and we would do the introduction properly. I remembered Dr Jite's words and smiled, knowing God had gone ahead of me. We had a successful wedding, and I returned to the UK.

The following morning I shared my testimony on the prayer line, and Dr Jite said, "Chioma, I can see a baby." I shouted "Amen," and three days later I found out I was pregnant. In October 2023, I gave birth to my daughter, Kendra, who will be three years old this year. Looking back, I see that God had already gone ahead of me and spoke through His servant, and everything happened exactly as He said.

21 MY HUSBAND BEFORE MY BROTHER

I want to thank God for my life, because since I joined this commission it has been one testimony after another. In 2023, I was praying and crying before God that He would make a way for my elder brother to join me in the United Kingdom; that was the desire of my heart. But while I prayed for one thing, God was preparing something greater. During one of our morning prayers, while I was pregnant with my first child, Kendra, Dr Jite ministered to me: "Chioma, God says you have been praying for your brother to come and join you in the UK. God is saying that your brother will come, but it is not yet time, your husband will come before your brother." I was surprised, because my husband had not been insisting on travelling abroad, and I hadn't expected that word at all. I told him what she had said, and he simply replied, "Let the will of God be done." He did not complain or argue.

A month later, we started the visa application process. There were moments when things felt shaky, but I kept holding on to the word reminding God that He had said my husband would come before my brother. To His glory, just a few days before I gave birth, my husband received his visa to join me in the UK. On 26 October 2023, I was in the hospital with my husband beside me, and we welcomed our daughter, Kendra. The same God who spoke through His servant brought His word to pass. I was praying for my brother, but God said, "Not yet, I have another plan," and made a way for my husband to come first instead. I want to encourage anyone reading this: when God gives you a word, hold on to it, even when circumstances don't look like it. What He has spoken, He is able to bring to pass.

22 NOT YET TIME, THEN THE VISA CAME

I want to thank God for the life of my mother and for His faithfulness. In October 2024, I applied for my mum to visit me and my children in the United Kingdom. I was struggling with motherhood here, and being without my mum was not easy, I desperately wanted her support. Unfortunately, her visa application was refused, and I was heartbroken. I told Dr Jite, and she said, "God says it is not yet time." I cried and prayed, begging God for mercy, because motherhood without my mum was taking a real toll on me.

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IIn 2025, I tried again, and her visa was refused a second time. I was completely heartbroken, and whenever we were asked on the prayer line what we wanted God to do for us, my answer was always the same: "God, please approve my mum's visa." One day Dr Jite told me, "Chioma, your mum cannot come now, it is not yet time. What if she comes and falls sick? Why not wait and let God lead? Pray that when she comes, she will bring you joy and blessings." I was extremely sad and did not understand why God kept saying, "Not yet," but I was pregnant with my second baby and continued to pray, even through my sadness.

Then, in 2026, during an early morning prayer line, Dr Jite said, "God is saying that thing you are scared to do, go and do it now, and you will see results." I shouted "Amen," but my heart was troubled all day, because I knew the thing I was scared to do was apply for my mum's visa again. Something inside me kept telling me to try, so I called the agent and we began the whole process again, though I was afraid of another refusal. To the glory of God, my mum got her visa to come to the United Kingdom. I was due to have my baby on 23 March 2026, and my mum received her visa on 12 March 2026; God brought her to me at the exact time I needed her, not too early, not too late. The same God who told me to wait was the same God who answered my prayer. Sometimes, when God says "not yet," it doesn't mean "never" — it means He is preparing something better.

CHIOMA JOY ANYEACHE
Member, UK

23 OUT OF A REFUGE, INTO INDEFINITE LEAVE TO REMAIN

I joined Laughing Women in 2021. I was in a bad place - broken and devastated, in an uncovenanted relationship marked by domestic violence and abuse, relegated to the background. I cried many nights, but words of knowledge kept coming through God's servant; we prayed, instructions were given, and I obeyed. In 2022, God moved my children and me to a safe place, a women's refuge. I did not have the right status to apply quickly for the support I needed, so they applied to the Home Office for my Indefinite Leave to Remain. What was meant to take six years, God collapsed into six months. God is true to His word. To God be all the glory.

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24 A HOUSE IN NOTTINGHAM

In November 2022, my social worker secured a house for us, and my kids and I moved to Nottingham. We were so happy, we experienced a peace that made no sense. We settled down, the kids got into school, and I was overjoyed. All glory to God Almighty.

25 BECOMING A BRITISH CITIZEN

In 2023, I applied for the exams I needed for my naturalisation. I passed them, immediately applied for citizenship, and received it within two weeks. By the grace of God, I am now a British citizen. Hallelujah.

26 BACK TO SCHOOL FOR SOCIAL WORK

In late 2023, a word of knowledge came through Dr Jite that God wanted me to go back to school and apply for Social Work. It was tough, as I was struggling with childcare and my IT skills, but God had it planned out — He led Dr Jite to enrol me in one of her programmes, which prepared me for further study. I applied for Social Work in 2024 and was rejected; I applied again in 2025 and was rejected again. I called Dr Jite in tears, and she told me to wipe my tears, that the right time would come, but that I should apply for a course close to Social Work in the meantime. I searched and applied for a Master's in Psychological Wellbeing and Mental Health, and I was accepted. I can't express how I felt returning to school after several years. To God be all the glory.

27 TRY AGAIN — A SECOND MASTER'S BEGINS

This year, 2026, I am rounding up the programme. A word of knowledge came: "What you tried before and were rejected for, try it again, and you will get it." I quickly applied for a Master's in Social Work, and an interview was scheduled. I attended within two days, and the result came through and I passed. My graduation for my Master's in Psychological Wellbeing is in December, and I will start my Master's in Social Work in January. God is a promise keeper; He is too faithful to fail.

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28 ENDLESS TESTIMONY

Since I joined Laughing Women, life for me, my children and my entire family has never remained the same, it has been testimony after testimony. I bless the day I joined this place of promotion. Joining the prayer line daily is nourishment to my soul. God bless Dr Jite and Sis Ese abundantly for their relentless work in the Lord's vineyard, and God bless the Laughing Women family. My testimonies are endless.

LOVELY AGBONLAHOR
Member, Nottingham, United Kingdom

29 FULFILLING MY PROMISE TO GOD

One of the most significant ways God has used the Laughing Women Ministry in my life has been to help me fulfil a promise I made to Him during one of the darkest seasons of my life. After suffering the heartbreaking loss of a 20-week pregnancy, I cried out to God with a promise: if He turned my situation around and blessed me with another child, I would stand before a large congregation to publicly testify of His goodness. In His mercy, God answered — I conceived again and He blessed me with the safe birth of my child. Filled with gratitude, I went to a large church gathering determined to fulfil my vow, but because of time constraints I was not given the opportunity to share, and I left deeply disappointed. My greatest concern was not that people hadn't heard my story, but that I had been unable to keep my promise to God.

Then, in His faithfulness, God opened another door through the Laughing Women Ministry. What had seemed like a missed opportunity became something far greater than I could have imagined: through Laughing Women, God gave me a platform to testify not just before one congregation, but before audiences across six countries and four continents. Looking back, I see that God did exceedingly, abundantly above all I had asked. He didn't simply help me keep my promise — He expanded it, and through Laughing Women I have discovered a deeper purpose in using my testimony to strengthen the faith of others and bring hope to those trusting God for their own miracles.

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30 FINDING MY PURPOSE THROUGH EVANGELISM

One of the greatest transformations God has brought about in my life through Laughing Women Ministry has been helping me discover my purpose. For many years I struggled to understand why God had created me; I knew I was called to a purpose-driven life, but I could not clearly see what that purpose was. Being part of Laughing Women changed my understanding completely. Through its teaching, fellowship and opportunities to serve, I came to realise that my purpose is centred on serving others, as Jesus did — bringing hope to the hopeless, encouraging the discouraged, and drawing people closer to Him.

One of the ministry's most impactful activities has been its regular evangelism outreach. Before joining, I found evangelism intimidating and was often afraid to speak about Jesus, unsure what to say or how people would respond. Through participating in the ministry's evangelism programmes, God gradually transformed my heart, teaching me that I don't have to rely on my own wisdom — I am simply an instrument in His hands, responsible for planting the seed of His Word and trusting the Holy Spirit to do the rest. This understanding replaced fear with confidence. Today I look forward to every evangelism opportunity, no longer seeing it as something to fear but as a privilege and an act of worship. Through Laughing Women Ministry, I have discovered my purpose and found the courage to live it.

31 DISCOVERING THE JOY OF SERVING THROUGH THE FEEDING PROGRAMME

One of the most profound ways Laughing Women Ministry has shaped my life has been by helping me discover the joy of serving Christ through serving those in need. Among the ministry's regular outreach programmes is the feeding of the hungry and care for the poor and homeless. Through these outreaches, God has given me the opportunity to dedicate my time, energy and hands to practical acts of service — purchasing food and essential items, helping to prepare meals, distributing food, or simply helping with the cleaning afterwards. Each task has become an opportunity to serve God, and these experiences have transformed my understanding of what it means to love others.

Laughing Women Ministry has also taught me an invaluable lesson about generosity and stewardship: that making a difference does not require great wealth, that every contribution matters, and that what may appear little in our hands becomes more than enough when placed in God's hands. This truth has changed my perspective completely and taught me to be faithful with what God has entrusted to me. Through this ministry, God has expanded my understanding of my purpose and given me the privilege of participating in His work of loving and caring for others.

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32 GROWING IN MY PERSONAL RELATIONSHIP WITH GOD

One of the greatest blessings of being part of the Laughing Women Ministry has been the transformation of my personal relationship with God. Through this ministry, I have grown in prayer, praise and the study of God's Word, developing a deeper intimacy with Him than I ever thought possible. A defining part of the ministry is its commitment to prayer: every day of the year, with no holidays, the ministry gathers on the prayer line to seek God's face, alongside dedicated times of fasting, prayers for children, spouses and families, and extended praise gatherings including 7 hours of uninterrupted praise. Being consistently immersed in this culture of prayer and worship has transformed my spiritual life and taught me that while we worship together as a community, our relationship with God is deeply personal.

One of the greatest changes has been in my relationship with God's Word. Inspired by the ministry's emphasis on Scripture, I committed to reading the Bible every day, and by God's grace I have maintained that discipline for the past four years, reading from Genesis to Revelation four consecutive times. This has been a journey of growing in the knowledge of God and letting His Word shape my life. Looking back over these ten years, I can clearly see the hand of God upon my life, carrying me and directing my steps through His Word and by His voice. It is my prayer and heartfelt commitment to keep reading the Bible from Genesis to Revelation every year for the rest of my life. Laughing Women Ministry has helped me discover that the greatest blessing is not merely what God does for us, but knowing Him more intimately and walking faithfully with Him each day.

33 LEADING WITH COMPASSION: THE SHOE PROJECT AND SHE MATTERS

One of the greatest privileges God has given me through Laughing Women Ministry has been the opportunity to lead initiatives that have transformed the lives of children and young girls. One is the Shoe Project, established to provide 1,000 pairs of school shoes to children who had none, or whose shoes were no longer suitable for school. It was a privilege to serve as Chairperson of the committee responsible for bringing this vision to life — developing the framework, defining objectives and key performance indicators, agreeing implementation proposals, and overseeing planning and distribution. Seeing children receive something as simple as a pair of school shoes reminded me that practical acts of kindness can restore dignity, build confidence, and communicate God's love in tangible ways.

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God also gave me the privilege of chairing the She Matters Project, which began with a mission to reach girls from disadvantaged communities who could not afford sanitary products or lacked knowledge to manage their menstrual health with dignity. As the project developed, the vision expanded into a holistic programme of education, encouragement and empowerment — helping young girls understand that they are valued and created in the image of God, teaching personal hygiene, and exposing them to vocational opportunities and practical skills for the future. These two initiatives have profoundly shaped my understanding of servant leadership, teaching me that it is not about position or recognition but about creating opportunities for others to flourish. Looking back over these ten years, I am grateful that God chose to use the Laughing Women Ministry as the platform through which I could combine my professional skills, my passion for service, and my desire to glorify Him.

ESE OMOREGIE
Ambassador, United Kingdom

34 SPIRITUAL RESILIENCE AND GROWTH

I joined Laughing Women at the end of October 2025. I am grateful for the spiritual fortitude and stamina to wait on God that this ministry has instilled in me. Before, I could wake up on time for work but never for prayer. The discipline of the various programmes — the 40 Days of Prayer and Fasting, the 30 Days of Praise and Worship, and the 70 Days of Prayer for Our Children — has grounded me in the discipleship of a true walk with God. The next phase for me is to become a devoted scholar of God's Word. Thank You, Jesus, for the opportunity for spiritual growth You have given me in a short time in the LW Ministry.

35 BREAKTHROUGH AFTER A WITHHELD SALARY

In November 2025, I went to Nigeria for two weeks to bury my beloved dad. Before I left, I sacrificed part of my period of mourning to keep working, sometimes on Saturdays and at my own cost, to make sure all operations went according to plan even after I had gone. It was to my utmost dismay when I found I had been short-changed two weeks' pay in my next pay, leaving me unable to cover many of my bills. During this time, Laughing Women ran a 30-day praise and worship, which I keyed into fervently, not missing a single day, standing on God's Word in Deuteronomy 25:4, 1 Corinthians 9:9 and 1 Timothy 5:18 — that the labourer is worthy of his reward. To God's glory, I received back a significant portion of what was owed to me, saving me from bill collectors and creditors. Lord Jesus, I see Your hand in this, and I am grateful. I live to fight another day with Christ as my anchor.

MORENIKE ADEBAYO
Partner, Kent United Kingdom

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36 A WOMEN'S SCHOOL OF MINISTRY

Through the prophetic grace of this commission, I started a women's school of ministry. It has been six years, and God is still expanding us.

37 WRITING MY OWN BOOK

I found the privilege of writing my own book, titled "Carrier Compass."

38 A STRONGER SPIRITUAL STRENGTH

My spiritual strength has become stronger than before.

39 A JOB AFTER THREE YEARS, THROUGH A WIFE'S PRAYER

As a Laughing Women Ambassador, I have seen God at work during our Month of Praise in Abuja. A man who had been out of a job for three years got a job after his wife took part in our Month of Praise — she testified herself that this was what she had put before God during worship.

40 PUSHED TO SAFETY

During this year's Month of Praise, one of our women returned to hear that her daughter had fallen on top of a well that had been turned over. While on top of the well, she felt a strong hand push her to the ground instead of letting her fall in and drown. Glory be to the Lord.

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41 A SOAP-MAKING BUSINESS GROWS

During one of Madam Jite's visits to Nigeria, one of the Muslim women present gave her life to Christ. In that same meeting, Madam Jite gave money to each of the women present. One of them used hers to start a small soap-making business, trusting that the money would help her produce more — and today she supplies soap to market women.

42 EXPANDING ACROSS NIGERIA

God has really helped us in Nigeria. We have expanded to the south, west and north of Nigeria, with coordinators over each branch.

43 IMPACT IN ABUJA'S COMMUNITIES AND SCHOOLS

By the grace of God, Laughing Women Foundation has created significant impact in several communities and their schools in Abuja.

44 WIDOWS BLESSED WITH BUSINESSES AND SUPPORT

God has blessed several widows with businesses, school fees for their children, house rent, and house furnishing to ease their burdens, and they testify to how God brought peace and relief to their long-standing struggles. There are many testimonies; these are just a few.

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45 FROM A BROKEN MARRIAGE TO A SCHOOL OF MY OWN

I have to be truthful about how deeply wounded I was before Laughing Women took me in and gave me direction to work with them. The pain of my broken marriage put me into a struggle, and those I needed to stand by me abandoned me. When the Laughing Women Foundation came, they introduced me to a full-time life of prayer, commitment and faith in God. I gradually became strong, courageous and focused. In one of our prayers, God spoke through Madam Jite that He had given me the grace to start a school of my own, and that He would lift me up to the point where those who had looked down on me would come to celebrate me. Many of the things God spoke about have come to pass; space is limited, but here are a few I am testifying to today.

46 A NETWORK OF FRIENDS FOR THE CHILDREN

I see a network of friends approaching me to help reach children in the community.

47 CONTINUING MY STUDIES

I had my BEd in Counselling and am currently running my master's programme.

48 MY SON'S MARRIAGE AT 41

My son got married at 41 years old, and his wife is already pregnant.

49 A LECTURER IN THE THEOLOGY SCHOOL

I am now a lecturer in the theology school.

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50 STRONGER THAN BEFORE

Laughing Women has made my life stronger than before. To Him be all the glory.

NAOMI EDEM AKPAN
Ambassador, Abuja, Nigeria

51 BRINGING FEAR INTO THE LIGHT

For a long season, I was trapped in an overwhelming shadow of fear, anxiety and silent torment. It felt like a constant weight, whispering threats of death and destruction over my home and loved ones. I tried to carry it all on my own, keeping the pain locked inside, but hiding it only made the darkness feel heavier and more terrifying. The true turning point came when I made the conscious decision to bring everything into the light. Breaking that silence was a crucial step of faith — it broke the spirit of isolation. The moment I spoke out and refused to keep hiding, the fear began to lose its hold over me. God reminded me that He has not given me a spirit of fear but of power, love and a sound mind (2 Timothy 1:7). Through prayer, standing on His promises, and speaking truth with authority, the atmosphere in my life transformed. Fear was replaced by supernatural peace, joy and the absolute assurance that God is watching over me and my family. Today I stand as a witness that no matter how intimidating the darkness seems, stepping into the light and standing firm on God's word brings victory.

CHIOMA NZEH
Member, Reading, United Kingdom

52 A LIGHT THAT SHINES IN THE DARKNESS

Laughing Women came to Zambia in 2022, when I had just lost my beloved husband, Reverend Amos Kasongo. The world I had enjoyed for 27 years came crashing down on 2 July 2021, when he answered the Lord's call. Nothing was the same afterwards — our home became empty even though our four children were still present. Meals became optional, and my children lost interest in school, unable to understand why God had taken their father when he had loved and served Him so diligently. It was at this time that Dr Jite Ona Newton, founder of Laughing Women, came into Zambia, and God gave her a message of hope. I followed her teachings throughout her time in Zambia, and something began to live inside my heart — a hope was rekindled, a ray of light entered, and darkness departed. I truly glorify God for Laughing Women Worldwide.

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53 A PRAYER LINE THAT CHANGED MY LIFE

Prayer, being the wheel on which every Christian should ride, was the first emphasis Dr Ona Newton made on her very first visit to Zambia. She introduced us to an hour-long Zoom prayer link that runs every day from 05:45 UK time. This prayer link has been my trainer, my place of hope, peace, love, breakthrough, healing and fellowship. Quoting Scriptures like Psalm 91 daily has built my faith enormously, and I testify to the goodness of the Lord, who uses this prayer line to change lives across the nation. This link is indeed not just a link but an altar of God, a place of promotion.

54 FLYING TO FOUR NATIONS

Flying around the world has been my desire since I was a child — my mother reminded me of it last year when I visited the village. What I didn't know was that God was already working something out for me. When the time came for Laughing Women to be introduced to four nations in the Southern Hemisphere — Botswana, Eswatini, Mozambique and South Africa — God, through Dr Jite Ona Newton, placed me on that journey. I flew not to one nation but to four at once. God, through Laughing Women, did for me in that season what I had not been able to do in the past 50 years of my life.

55 A MOTHER I NEVER HAD

During ministry in one of the countries Dr Jite Ona Newton recently visited, the power of the Holy Spirit was so intense that I too went down, landing hard on the floor in what felt like the twinkling of an eye. In that moment, God showed me a mother in Dr Jite — she quickly bent down, lifted my head, and comforted me with so much love, standing for me like no one had ever done. As it happened, God gave me a picture of a hen fighting to protect its chicks, and I thought, "What a mother." Laughing Women not only take care of spiritual needs but also embrace the physical needs of people. Through Laughing Women I found a mother. Glory be to Jesus Christ our Lord.

PASTOR DOREEN F KASONGO
Member, Lusaka, Zambia

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56 UNDERSTANDING THE HOLY SPIRIT

I would like to share my testimony of coming to understand the person of the Holy Spirit and the true meaning of having a relationship with Him. I have attended many churches, training sessions, night vigils and prayer meetings, but I had never been taught the true purpose and meaning of the Holy Spirit, nor had I been able to grasp His relationship and power, until I joined the Laughing Women Ministry. I have gained a deeper understanding through Scriptures such as John 14:26, Romans 8:14, 26, 28, Galatians 5:16-18, 25, Ephesians 5:17-20, John 16:13-15, Acts 1:8 and 1 Corinthians 2:13, and how important it is to have a relationship with Him, because without Him life itself is pointless. Having learned about the Holy Spirit and invited Him into my life, things have become clearer and make more sense in my everyday walk with God the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit. By having a deeper relationship with Him, I am now set free in knowing the truth about God and His word, even when it hurts, and I can accept it with humility and thankfulness. I give God all the glory, honour and adoration for Laughing Women Ministry and for the mighty things He has done, is doing, and will yet do in our midst.

VERONICA LOGAN
Member, Grays, United Kingdom

57 I WILL NOT CRY BITTER TEARS

This is Promise 50 in the Laughing Women promise book: I will not cry bitter tears. On 18 April 2020, a week after my daughter turned 16, I was on the morning prayer line when God released a word through Minister Jite about stomach pains — but God said not to fear, as He had gone ahead. That same day, my daughter began to experience indescribable pain. In that intense moment, we cried out to God, and having only just joined the prayer line, I was led to call Minister Jite. We prayed and thanked God for her life. She was taken to hospital by ambulance, but to God be the glory, as soon as we arrived she was examined and given the all clear, with no lasting effects. My family is so grateful to God, for He kept His promise that we would not cry bitter tears.

58 PROMOTION TO MANAGEMENT

Promotion to management — what once felt like an "I can do" dream has now come to pass. What once seemed distant has become reality through faith, perseverance and trust in God's timing. Throughout this journey, the Holy Spirit has been my constant guide, giving me wisdom in uncertainty and strength when I felt inadequate, and He continues to teach me how to walk with integrity, lead with humility, and speak with purpose in this position.

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59 RESTORATION AND PROTECTION

Through the prayers for our husbands, I testify that God has stepped into my marriage and restored what was broken. I am grateful to Laughing Women, as God is present in this place of promotion, restoring from the foundation so that His children can live an abundant life. I also testify to God's protection over my husband: he was involved in a serious incident at work where he was locked in a confined space, and it was only by God's mercy that help came at exactly the right time, shortly after our prayers — a reminder that God truly hears and responds.

60 A DIFFICULT EXAM, PASSED AT LAST

My daughter had to retake an essential exam several times, and without passing it she would not have been able to progress to the next stage. To God be the glory, at the eleventh hour she passed, as our household held on to the prophecy declared in June 2021 that every difficult exam would be passed.

61 PASSING MY DRIVING TEST

God gave a word on the prayer line, including a specific timeframe, and said that if we followed the instructions we would pass. I followed, and it was made easy — in 2023, I passed on my first attempt and obtained my UK licence. All glory to God. Laughing Women is a place of promotion, where God is present daily, executing His plan through His vessel, Dr Jite, and the leadership, nurturing and teaching us through the leading of the Holy Spirit. That is why I have chosen to serve Him in this place of promotion.

LISA GORDON
Coordinator, United Kingdom

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62 A WORD BEFORE THE PROPOSAL

When I joined the LW prayer meeting, I wasn't married and was over 50 years old. During one of our morning prayer meetings, a word was spoken over me about getting married, even though I had already met my husband at the time and wasn't sure if marriage would happen. It was after that revelation that he proposed, and we got married. I thank God.

63 A REPAIRED RELATIONSHIP WITH MY DAUGHTER

I want to thank God for repairing my relationship with my daughter.

BUSOLA AJIBADE
Member, Grays, United Kingdom

64 LEARNING TO PRAY FOR MYSELF

I thank God for this opportunity to testify of His goodness. I joined Laughing Women about six years ago, introduced by my sister Susan, and my life has never been the same. I had told Susan how empty and broken I felt and how much I wanted to pray and know God better, and she told me about this group of praying women and offered to help me join. When I did, I found women on fire, praying just what I wanted, and I got fired up to pray, to worship and to praise. I learned how to pray for myself rather than seeking prayers only from prophets or other people, because Laughing Women taught me that I carried the same anointing. I learned to pray through Scripture and discovered how important journaling was. Before, I would pray without real direction; Laughing Women helped me in that area too. I didn't know God could give someone a word of knowledge and prophecy every month and every year — I thought that only happened on special occasions — and seeing it here was amazing and powerful. I came to know that God shows no favouritism and can break human protocol on my behalf. To God be the glory. I thank God for Laughing Women and for Dr Jite, Sister Ese, Sister Lisa, Sister Liz, Mama Naomi, Sister Rita and Sister Racheal, and everyone I have learned from. Happy anniversary to my Laughing Women family — I was in pieces, and God repaired me through this ministry.

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65 UNDERSTANDING THE HOLY SPIRIT

I would always read that "obedience is better than sacrifice" without really knowing how deep that truth was — I kept acting in the place of sacrifice instead of obedience, until I received an instruction from God through Sister Jite. It wasn't the first instruction I had been given, but this time God let me learn the hard way: I was still tempted to act as usual, in sacrifice rather than obedience, but things became so hard to accomplish until I obeyed, and only then was it possible. Through Laughing Women I learned that obedience truly is better than sacrifice, drawing on Deuteronomy 28, which speaks of the blessings of obedience and the consequences of disobedience. When I was told to add to my business name, from aKi Organics to aKi Organics by Sarah, I obeyed immediately — and the very day I made the change in my adverts, I received an international call to supply my products to a customer in Kigali, Rwanda. Hallelujah, to God be the glory.

66 LEARNING REAL GENEROSITY

Laughing Women taught me the secret of being generous. I thought I was already generous until I joined this family, when I learned that generosity matters deeply to God and that I should pray for Him to direct me to the people who truly need help, rather than giving without direction. I learned that I didn't need to accumulate great wealth to be generous, and the verse about sharing the little you have finally made sense to me. It was through Laughing Women that I began distributing sanitary items to disadvantaged girls in a village school, along with scholastic materials for both boys and girls. When one of my friends saw this on my status, she felt challenged and began doing the same in her own village — a reminder that what I learned from Laughing Women didn't stay with me alone; it became contagious.

SARAH TERRY AKITENG
Member, Kampala, Uganda

67 CONFIDENT IN PRAYER AFTER BRAIN SURGERY

Praise the Lord — to the glory of God, we are serving a living God in Laughing Women. This journey started just after my brain surgery, when I became more confident in praying to God daily, even though I already had my main church's morning prayer at the same time. I became more focused on Laughing Women, which has made me stronger to this day.

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68 GROWING IN SPIRITUAL UNDERSTANDING

I have many testimonies, but I'll share just a few. I want to testify to the glory of God for this ministry — He has been so faithful to me and my household since I joined. God has been working wonders, developing my spiritual growth and helping me understand the almighty hand of God more, teaching me that when God speaks to you, it makes you more available to Him.

69 A REVELATION THAT UNCOVERED THE TRUTH

In 2023, God gave a revelation that we should dance before the Lord for a month, and I took the process very seriously. One day Dr J said that as we danced, God would show me something, and that I should not fight for my place. This was in June, and on 3 July I found out my husband was cheating on me — but as the Lord had said, He had already been in charge.

70 PROTECTION ON THE ROAD

I want to thank the Almighty for His goodness and blessings to my family. During the 70 Days of Praying for Our Children, my son was driving home when his car tyre came off while he was on the road. I thank God for His guidance and protection — nothing happened to him, and we thank God it wasn't worse than that.

71 WAKING UP FOR 365 DAYS

To the glory of God, I want to thank the Almighty for this family, waking up every day for 365 days of prayer. It has helped me and my household become more interested in the things of God, knowing my strengths and weaknesses in walking with Him. May the Almighty continue to bless us, and give more grace to all the leaders, especially Dr J.

GRACE KAMARA
Member, London

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72 PEACE THROUGH SURGERY

I want to thank God for His faithfulness and goodness in my life. Since I joined Laughing Women, I have experienced God's love and grace in a special way, and being part of this ministry has encouraged me spiritually and brought positive changes to my life. Not long ago, I faced medical challenges that required surgery. I was very afraid and anxious about the procedures, but I kept trusting God and holding on to His promises. The Lord went before me, strengthened me, and gave me peace. By God's grace, every procedure was successful. God protected me, brought me through safely, and has continued to grant me healing and strength. Today I stand with a heart full of gratitude, and I also thank God for this ministry, whose prayers and encouragement have been such a blessing to me.

73 DRAWN CLOSER TO GOD

I want to return all the glory to God for all He has been doing in my life through the Laughing Women. Since becoming part of this community, I have experienced God's love, faithfulness and guidance in a deeper way. My faith has grown stronger, and I have learned to trust Him more, even in situations I don't fully understand. Through the prayers, encouragement, teachings and fellowship of Laughing Women, God has continually reminded me that He is always with me and that His promises never fail. They have been a blessing and a source of strength, inspiration and spiritual growth, and I thank God for using this community to draw me closer to Him.

PATIENCE EKWUEME
Member, Nigeria

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74 TEN YEARS OF GOD'S GOODNESS

I give all the glory and honour to God as we celebrate ten years of His goodness and faithfulness through Laughing Women Worldwide. I joined in 2021, after a friend told me how the ministry gathered every morning for devotional prayers and held special prayers for children — words that immediately touched my heart. At the time I was already a member of Bible Fellowship, a cell host, and active at Watoto Church, but I knew there was a deeper place in God I longed to experience. From the first days of joining, I felt I had found what my heart had been yearning for, and I knew I was exactly where God wanted me to be. The mandate of Laughing Women Worldwide is to transform women, and I can boldly testify that I am one of the women whose life has been transformed by the Word of God.

Soon after, I relocated from Uganda to Italy, leaving behind the start-up business I had worked hard to build. It was not an easy season — I found myself alone with my three children while my husband returned to Uganda to manage his business, and finding employment in a new country was difficult. But through the encouragement, teaching, prayer and spiritual growth I received in Laughing Women, God gave me the courage not to give up. Instead of focusing on my limitations, I invested in myself: I enrolled in an online course in Diversity and Inclusion with Human Resource Professionals through Coursera, and later pursued an entrepreneurship programme. In God's timing, He opened a door for me to work as a part-time teacher, and from that income I was able to enrol in the Integrative Nutrition Health Coaching programme with the Institute for Integrative Nutrition (IIN), USA — a course I had dreamed of for years. As soon as I completed it, God opened another door: a Master's degree in Agro Food Systems Innovation, Development and Sustainability with a European institution in Rome. The Lord provided every fee needed, and by His grace I graduated in May.

Today, as I reflect on this journey, I stand in awe of God's transforming power, which is now leading me into another chapter — becoming an author. Looking back, Laughing Women Worldwide has been more than a ministry to me; it has been a place of spiritual growth, transformation, encouragement, purpose and divine alignment. As we celebrate ten years of God's goodness, my heart overflows with gratitude to Dr Jite Newton and the entire Laughing Women Worldwide family for faithfully answering God's call to transform women across the nations.

STELLA RACHAEL ASIO
Ambassador, Iglesias, Cagliari, Italy

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75 WATCHING GOD'S WORD COME TO PASS

About ten years ago, during one of the Laughing Moments prayer gatherings at Dr Jite's home, a prophetic word came concerning one of my sons. At the time, my eldest son was about four and my younger son was only two. Dr Jite said, "You have a footballer son" — words so specific that they have stayed with me ever since. Looking back now, I can only stand in awe of God's faithfulness: that little two-year-old is living out what God declared years ago. He has been awarded a football scholarship to one of the most prestigious schools in the United Kingdom, and through his sporting ability he has travelled to different countries. Beyond football, he has also excelled in athletics, rugby and several other sports. What was spoken over his life all those years ago is unfolding before my eyes, and I know this is only the beginning of all that God has prepared for him.

76 HOLDING ON TO GOD'S PROMISE

When my daughter was about one or two years old, I was on the Laughing Women prayer line when a prophetic word came concerning a young child who would experience speech delay and developmental challenges. I wasn't sure at the time whether the word was for my family, but I held on to God's presence with the question in my heart. A couple of years later, my daughter was diagnosed as being on the autism spectrum, at three to four years old, still experiencing significant speech delay with very few words. Even then, God never left us without hope — through Dr Jite, the Lord repeatedly declared that my daughter is a blessed and gifted child, a maths genius, with an extraordinary purpose for her life, and those words became an anchor for my faith. Today, my testimony is not just about a diagnosis, but about the promises of God that continue to sustain me. I choose to believe every word the Lord has spoken concerning my daughter, and I know that in His perfect time, every one of His promises for her will come to pass.

77 GOD HAD ALREADY GONE AHEAD

My son was given the opportunity to gain admission to one of the most prestigious schools in the UK after successfully completing entrance and scholarship examinations. We were overjoyed when the offer came, but our excitement turned to concern because the scholarship awarded wasn't enough to cover the fees. I shared the admission letter with Dr Jite, and her response was immediate: "God has already gone ahead of you. Don't worry about this." I held on to those words, and the very next day the Head of Bursary at the school contacted me unexpectedly, advising on additional information I could submit to strengthen our application for further financial support. We followed the guidance, prayed, and trusted God, and to His glory the school replaced the original offer with a much more generous scholarship and bursary package. Watching my son thrive in that school ever since has been a constant reminder of God's faithfulness and His ability to make a way where there seemed to be none.

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78 A TIMELY WORD THAT PRESERVED MY PEACE

A few years ago, I found myself longing for a career change. An exciting opportunity came my way, offering a salary almost double what I was earning, and I was eager to make the move. Before deciding, I spoke with Dr Jite, and the Holy Spirit gave her a word specifically for me: the new role would be excellent for learning and career development, but would bring significant disruption to my personal and family life, while staying in my current role would offer little career progression but the peace and stability I needed for that season. It wasn't an easy decision, but after much prayer I chose to stay. Only a few months later, everything became clear — our nanny, who had faithfully cared for my children for years, was suddenly diagnosed with cancer and could no longer help us, and at almost the same time the project connected to the new role was cancelled and everyone involved, including the person who had introduced me to the opportunity, was asked to leave the company. I could only thank God: had I taken the new role, I would have faced job loss alongside an unexpected childcare crisis. Looking back, I am deeply grateful God spoke through His servant and gave me the wisdom to wait instead of letting desperation decide for me.

RITA ADU-PEPRAH
Member, United Kingdom

79 FIRST CLASS HONOURS

When I joined Laughing Women, God made something out of nothing in my life. In my final year at university, I prayed that God would give me the best of results, and to God be all the glory, I graduated with a First Class. God compensated me for my losses, letting me know He's always got my back.

80 A CASE CLOSED

I had a case with Social Services that could have meant my children being taken from me, which would also have affected my job. When Dr Jite prayed with me, she asked that God would show mercy, and during one of our morning prayers God revealed to her that my name had been ruled out from a big book. Some days later, I received a letter by post that the case had been closed. God showed me mercy. Hallelujah.

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81 SCHOOL FEES PROVIDED

Since I joined the Laughing Women ministry, God has blessed me financially — through His help, I was able to bring my nephew from Africa to the UK as an international student, and God provided his school fees without me having to borrow. God showed up again.

82 MY CHILDREN DOING WELL

Through God's help, and as a member of Laughing Women, my children have been doing extremely well in their education.

83 REFINED FROM ANGER

I used to be a very angry person and worried over things a lot, but when I joined the Laughing Women Ministry, God refined me. Instead of worrying or getting upset now, I report the matter to God, and I see His hand working for me immensely.

84 A CAR SOLD ABOVE EXPECTATION

On 18 July, I attended the Laughing Women Youth Conference with my kids, and the Lord told Dr Jite that everyone, including the adults, should make three requests to be answered before December. One of mine was that God would help me sell my old car at a reasonable price so I could buy a better one before December. Before then, the mechanic had said the car would only be scrapped for a small token payment, and I kept calling him to come and collect it. God be praised — while out on an early morning walk, I saw a car buyer's number posted along the street and rang him. He came to check the car and paid me in cash, far above my expectation. God did it again, simply through escorting my kids to the Laughing Women Youth Conference.

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85 A SECURED JOB

Since I joined Laughing Women, God has secured my job and favoured me in so many ways I can't even thank Him enough — so many battles fought on my behalf. God is indeed God.

JOSSY OSARETIN
Member, United Kingdom

86 PEACE IN MY HOME

I return all the glory to God for what He has done in my life and in the lives of my family through the Laughing Women Ministry. Through this ministry, God has brought relative peace into my home — every day feels like a honeymoon because His presence has transformed our atmosphere.

87 A GREATER SENSE OF PURPOSE

This ministry has given my life a greater purpose. I now understand that serving God by serving others brings lasting fulfillment.

88 COMPASSION AND ANSWERED PRAYER

Through serving others, God has given me greater compassion and a heart that genuinely cares for people. My prayer life has become stronger, and I have seen God answer prayers in remarkable ways. My children have been blessed academically and spiritually, and I see God's hand guiding their future.

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89 GODLY RELATIONSHIPS AND PROVISION

God has connected me with genuine, godly relationships through this ministry — people who encourage, support and pray for me. I have witnessed God's supernatural provision: whenever there has been a need, God has always made a way.

90 DIVINE PROTECTION OVER MY FAMILY

God has given my family divine protection, and we have experienced His hand of preservation through many situations.

91 GROWING FAITH

My faith in God has grown stronger. I have learned to trust Him completely, even when situations seem impossible.

92 A SPONSOR FOR MY BUSINESS

I was stranded in a business venture, but as I continued serving faithfully in this ministry, God sent a sponsor to support me. Selfless service never goes unrewarded.

93 BREAKTHROUGHS THROUGH CONNECTION

Everyone who has joined this ministry through me has experienced one form of business breakthrough or another. Our photographers, including Mrs Chukwuzi and many others, have their own testimonies of God's faithfulness.

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94 MY DAUGHTER'S SCHOLARSHIP

My daughter received a scholarship. As I put smiles on the faces of other children through this ministry, God also put a smile on my own face.

95 A CAR PROVIDED FOR THE SHOE PROJECT

God surprised me with another car when I least expected it. The car I had been using for the shoe distribution project was giving me so much stress, but God stepped in and provided a replacement at exactly the right time.

96 A STRENGTHENED PRAYER LIFE

My prayer life has become stronger, and I have seen God answer prayer in remarkable ways. Joy unspeakable is what I'm enjoying.

97 THE SWEETNESS OF SERVING

Serving God in the Laughing Women Ministry is truly enjoyable — it reveals the sweetness of serving God. Every act of service brings joy, peace and fulfilment. Through this ministry I have experienced firsthand that when you serve God with a willing and cheerful heart, He rewards you in ways you never imagined. My life is so sweet; I look younger every day.

98 MERCY FOR MY HUSBAND

I have seen God's mercy speak for my husband because of my service in the Laughing Women Ministry. Even in situations where he deserved judgement, God showed him mercy, preserved him, and continued to bless our family. This has taught me that serving God faithfully brings His mercy not only upon us but also upon our loved ones.

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99 A BLESSING TO MANY

Above all, I thank God for using the Laughing Women Ministry to make me a blessing to many. Every life touched through this ministry reminds me that God rewards faithfulness, and I look forward to even greater testimonies in the years ahead.

ONOWOTU SOPHIE BOMA
Coordinator, Lagos, Nigeria

100 A NEW RETAIL BUSINESS

I held on to God's promises, and He blessed me with a new business — a retail shop.

101 HEALING FROM ILLNESS

God has been healing me from all illnesses and afflictions.

102 MY FIRST HIGH-PAYING JOB IN THE UK

God used Dr Jite to mentor me, helping me secure my first high-paying job in the UK.

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103 COMING TO KNOW GOD

Laughing Women is helping me explore, experience and know God for myself.

104 PROVISION AND STRENGTH

God has given me peace, made provision for my household and me, and given me the strength and grace to support my family.

105 ENCOURAGED DAILY

Through Laughing Women, God has brought women of faith into my life who encourage me daily and make being a child of God appealing and worthwhile.

106 TEACHING MY CHILDREN

Through Laughing Women and Dr Jite, I now have Bible verses and learning plans that I am teaching my children, to bring them up in God.

107 SAVED FROM FIRE

God saved my shop from a fire outbreak. If it wasn't for God, all my investment would have gone up in smoke, but the good Lord who blessed me with that business continues to protect it and everything that concerns me.

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108 STRENGTH THROUGH DIVORCE

God has been my strength as I navigate a difficult divorce.

109 ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE FOR MY CHILDREN

I bless God for academic excellence in my children — they are excelling.

EVELYN MENSAH
Member, Harwich, United Kingdom

110 GUIDED AND PROTECTED

I thank God for His continuous grace and mercy over my family, the Nzeh family. Through this ministry, He has guided and protected us from unforeseen situations.

111 REDIRECTED AND REALIGNED

I am thankful to God for redirecting and realigning my path through Laughing Women.

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112 DELIVERANCE FOR MY BROTHER

I am grateful to God for his divine deliverance from the hands of death over my brother, Ikenna George Nzeh, and his family.

113 DISCERNMENT AND CONFIDENCE AGAINST THE ENEMY

I want to thank God for delivering me from the wicked plans of the enemy — He protected me through multiple afflictions targeted at me, delivered me through spiritual serpentine attacks, and gave me the spirit of discernment to be able to pray even in my sleep and in times of trouble. He gave me confidence to confront the enemy when it raised its ugly head. Glory be to God.

NKECHINYERE
Member, Lagos, Nigeria

114 A GREAT IMPACT I DIDN'T EXPECT

When this ministry was introduced to us in Zambia, I first thought I would simply connect the women, including my wife, to carry on with its programmes — little did I know it would have a great impact on my own life. I found this ministry so helpful and teachable, and my life was transformed hearing and learning the word of God from the founder and members of Laughing Women. Getting involved in reaching out to people with love, sharing gifts especially with children, God ministered to me through the many outreach programmes we've carried out here in Zambia, and I am forever grateful to serve with the team. God taught me to appreciate people and to see them as He sees them. My wife also became deeply involved, which gave her space to exercise her gifting, and seeing her obey God and serve wholeheartedly made me so appreciative of this ministry. May God continue leading it as it reaches its tenth year of goodness and blessing.

ABRAHAM BANDA
Ambassador, Lusaka, Zambia

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115 PEACE AFTER BEING BROKEN

I was broken before I joined Laughing Women, but now I am enjoying the peace God has given me through His Word daily from this platform.

116 LEARNING TO CALL ON THE HOLY SPIRIT

Before, I didn't know how to call on the Holy Spirit, but now I know how.

117 AN OPEN HEART TO LOVE

God Almighty has given me an open heart to love despite the challenges I have faced, and He has made it easy to pass through them all.

118 UNCOUNTABLE GRACE

God's grace, favour and blessings upon my life since I joined Laughing Women are uncountable. If I had ten thousand tongues, it still would not be enough to thank Him.

119 PLACED IN THE RIGHT PLACE

I have come to say thank You, Jesus, for placing me in the right place.

ADEYANJU DOLOR CYNTHIA
Member, Lagos, Nigeria

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120 A NEW CONTRACT FOR MY HUSBAND

It is truly a good thing to give thanks to the Lord. I have been immeasurably blessed since joining the Laughing Women Ministry, a place of divine promotion and transformation. I joined in late January, during a season when so much was happening in our lives, and my family and I were waiting on the Lord for His intervention, especially for my husband, our children and myself. One of the greatest lessons God has taught me this year through this ministry is to trust Him in every season. One morning, under the guidance of the Holy Spirit, we were instructed to pray specifically for our husbands. My heart was burdened with one particular request — that God would grant my husband a new contract, as he was the only one working at the time. Jesus did it: that very same week, my husband attended the first stage of an interview, and the very next day he received an offer, exactly what our family needed. God proved once again that He is mindful of His children, and I return all the glory to Him.

121 LAUNCHING MY GRANOLA BUSINESS

On the same day I shared the testimony of my husband's job, I received a prophetic word: "Yes, you are not working now, but it is only a season. Whatever God has placed in your heart to start, no matter how small, just begin." That word stayed with me. I had several business ideas, but I kept focusing on what I didn't have — money, training, resources — and months went by without me taking a step. Then, while meditating on Psalm 62:11, the Holy Spirit reminded me of that word, and I realised my breakthrough was tied to my obedience. After prayer and waiting on the Lord, I finally launched my granola business. Just one week later, I received a job offer, after being unemployed for seven months. Those months were not easy, with financial pressure and uncertainty, but God never failed us. Looking back, I understand that God was not only preparing opportunities for me — He was building my faith and teaching me obedience. His timing was perfect, and His Word never fails.

ELIZABETH OLUFUNKE BELLO
Member, United Kingdom

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122 RESTORATION OF MY MARRIAGE

Our marriage had reached the point of breaking. Although we remained civil and spoke by phone every day while my husband was abroad, our relationship was a shadow of what it had once been — we had gone from being loving, inseparable best friends to simply existing together. Then, on 27 June 2023, during the prayer line, the Lord intervened, and the journey toward restoration began. He declared that freedom had already been released for us, but that whenever it was about to manifest, we would fall into disagreement — exactly our experience. He revealed that our freedom lay in our agreement as husband and wife, and instructed us to stop keeping secrets, to share openly the things we had hidden for years, and to receive difficult truths from each other with grace instead of anger. He told us to stop quarrelling and begin laughing together instead, reminding us of how close we had been at the beginning of our marriage, and instructed us to become like "5 and 6" again — inseparable, united, walking together in love.

At first it was not easy; opening up about things we had kept hidden for years was painful. But as we obeyed God's instructions day by day, healing began. Trust was rebuilt, communication improved, and love was restored. Today, to the glory of God, our home is filled with laughter, joy, unity and agreement. Whenever the enemy tries to stir up confusion, we return to the word the Lord gave us on 27 June 2023, and it strengthens our resolve to protect the peace in our marriage.

123 REDISCOVERY OF PURPOSE AND FULFILMENT

From a very young age, I knew God had called me to help the less privileged — providing food, paying school fees, and supporting families in need. As a child I would daydream about my adult self going with my children into poor communities to bless people in the name of Jesus, and growing up I shared what I could with what my parents gave me. As I got older, that dream gradually faded, and the church I attended at the time taught that charitable giving should mainly be done through the church, discouraging us from helping people directly on the streets even when we felt led to do so.

Everything changed when I joined Laughing Women in 2019. For the first time, I was encouraged to personally reach out to people in my community and back home. My first outreach was in Ghana during the COVID-19 pandemic, and it brought me great joy, though I thought it would be a one-time thing. After the January fast in 2022, the Lord gave an instruction to bless a family within a specific period. I was unemployed and finances were tight, but God gave me the grace to stretch what I had, and I sent support to a widow in Nigeria — an act of obedience that marked the beginning of a new season as a vessel for His blessing to others.

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In March 2022, God blessed me with a job, and soon afterwards I established a food bank in Nigeria to support widows and families in need, which by God's grace grew beyond what I had imagined and expanded to Lagos, where it continues to operate today. On another occasion, the Lord gave a word of knowledge on the prayer line that someone was being called to commit to feeding a family every month, and I knew in my spirit it was for me; though concerned about my limited finances, I stepped out in faith. Two years after setting up the food bank, I lost my job, which brought financial challenges for my own family and grieved me most because some families we supported could no longer receive help — yet God has remained faithful, continually providing the resources and grace to obey His instructions to bless others. Today, blessing others has become a way of life for my family, regardless of our circumstances.

124 HEALING FROM SEVERE STOMACH PAIN

The morning after we moved into our new home, I woke up with severe stomach pain, so intense I could no longer walk, and had to scream for my husband to carry me out of the bathroom. We decided to go straight to A&E. Before leaving, I messaged Sis Jite to let her know, because in my spirit I sensed the pain was not ordinary. She instructed me to get water and salt and call her back, and she prayed over the water before I drank it. By the time we reached the hospital the pain had grown more intense, but I had peace, knowing God had already taken control. After several hours, numerous blood tests and different possible diagnoses, the doctors put me on a drip because I was too weak to eat, even though all my test results came back normal. While the drip was running, I fell into a deep sleep, and I believe God completed His healing work in me. When I woke, the pain had completely disappeared, and a later CT scan came back completely clear. Today, I have come back to give thanks to the Great Physician, the Great Healer, the Almighty God.

125 DELIVERANCE FROM DESTRUCTION

The Lord delivered my daughter from destruction. On 30 September 2025, an instruction was given on the prayer line for parents to anoint and pray with their children aged 7 to 12 for seven consecutive days, beginning that same day. My daughter was away at boarding school, so the only way to obey was to travel to her school immediately after the prayer line to see her before classes began. I set off while still connected to the prayer line, arrived before school started, prayed with her and anointed her, and gave her a small bottle of anointing oil so she could continue to anoint herself each day as we prayed together by phone every morning before school. About two weeks later, my daughter suffered a serious head injury at school, striking her forehead against a sharp metal object while playing with friends in the boarding house. She bled heavily, but by God's grace and mercy the object did not penetrate her head. I firmly believe it was God's protection through our obedience to His instruction that preserved her life, and I thank God for the grace to carry out that assignment fully. Today, to the glory of God, the wound has healed completely, leaving only a very small scar.

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126 MIRACLE BABY MICHAEL

This testimony is to the glory of God — the God who never fails, who is always on time, the Promise Keeper. In September 2020, on my birthday, I had almost given up on having another child. During the pandemic I felt led to bless less-privileged children in Ghana, and with the help of other ladies we identified children living in extreme poverty, including some with disabilities, and provided food and financial support for their families. I told God that since He had made me the mother of one child, I was grateful and would continue showing His love by caring for less-privileged children.

In December 2020, Dr Jite had a revelation of a sister lying on a bed with a baby, and though I sensed it might be for me, I put the thought aside so as not to raise my hopes. Then, in January 2021, the Lord announced on the prayer line that there would be a Glorious Babies group. I became expectant, and when my cycle began that month I was heartbroken and called Dr Jite in tears; she encouraged me by sharing that the Lord had told her I would be the first in the group to become pregnant. I continued attending the Glorious Babies meetings, crying out for mercy whenever I missed the midnight prayers. On 10 April 2021, during a midnight prayer meeting, a word of knowledge came: "Liz, you are going to have a son this year, and you will call him Michael." Dr Jite saw, in the accompanying revelation, a little boy finding a small opening and wiggling his way through, and the Lord instructed me to begin praying, "Lord, I am waiting for Michael. Michael, come forth," declaring I would hold my son before the end of 2021.

By the end of April there was still no pregnancy, but a confirming word at a church service about doubting delayed promises convicted me, and I repented and kept obeying. At the May Glorious Babies meeting, prompted by the Holy Spirit, I declared I would testify by June, refusing to withdraw the statement even when doubt whispered otherwise. Soon after, my cycle began again — but instead of crying, I danced in the bathroom, thanking God for my baby. In June 2021, my period did not come, and by early August the doctor confirmed I was about eight weeks pregnant, with an expected delivery date of February 2022. I quietly rejected that due date, holding to God's word that I would hold my son before the end of 2021. During a later ultrasound, the baby's head measurements appeared larger than expected, prompting the consultant to schedule an early induction. I was admitted on 21 December 2021, and on 23 December 2021 I gave birth to my miracle baby boy, whom I named Michael, just as the Lord had commanded — fulfilling every word He had spoken, despite the medical predictions.

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127 TURNAROUND IN MY DAUGHTER'S ENGLISH ASSESSMENT

When my daughter joined her new school, her first English assessment was extremely discouraging — the teacher's evaluation suggested she could barely read or write, and raised the possibility of dyslexia, recommending referral to the school's specialist support team. The full assessment would cost around £600, which our family could not afford at the time. I spoke to Dr Jite, who encouraged me to let the school continue the process while committing the matter to God in prayer, and I added my daughter's situation to my daily "I Can Do" declarations, declaring that her English report would be turned around. We postponed the paid assessment until we were in a better financial position. One day on the prayer line there was a specific instruction concerning my daughter, leading me to arrange additional tuition for her; she had previously had tutoring that we'd had to stop because of our finances, but when I explained our circumstances to her tutor, she responded with kindness, agreeing to continue teaching her and let me pay whatever I could afford, whenever I was able.

My daughter resumed lessons focused on English and Maths in Year 6, and to the glory of God, when she sat her Year 6 SATs, she achieved 96% in English. Even the same teacher who had initially raised concerns about her reading and writing later wrote in her final Year 6 report that she was amazed by her progress, commending her outstanding improvement, and remarking that her creative writing and comprehension had become so moving they brought her to tears. Every negative word was overturned, and there was no longer any need for an in-depth dyslexia assessment. I return all the glory to God for leading me by His Spirit and teaching me to stand on His Word and declare His promises daily.

128 FROM SERVING GOD TO AN UNUSUAL CONTRACT EXTENSION

When the Lord announced the Laughing Women 60-Day Feeding Programme in January 2026, something within me leaped for joy, and I counted it a privilege to be used as a vessel and gave myself wholeheartedly to the assignment — my finances, time and energy — without asking for anything in return. At the same time, the organisation I was contracting with had begun laying off day-rate contractors or moving them to fixed-term contracts at reduced rates as part of a cost-saving initiative. I was approached about moving to a fixed-term contract but told my manager I would consider it in future, and she accepted my response despite growing pressure to reduce day-rate contractor numbers.

While I stayed focused on my Father's business, God was working behind the scenes: my manager was granted approval to extend my contract for six months rather than the organisation's standard three-month extension, and she has also appealed for a permanent role for me at a grade matching my desired salary, even though the role was advertised at a lower salary as part of the standard HR process. I am deeply grateful to God for reminding me that when we prioritise His business, He knows how to take care of ours — I served Him simply because I love Him, and He went ahead of me and made a way where there seemed to be none.

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Ambassador, United Kingdom

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129 THANK YOU, KING OF GLORY

I want to thank God for being part of this ministry, where God speaks and does great and mighty works. I have heard many remarkable testimonies from testifiers in Laughing Women, and to the glory of God, my family and I have also been beneficiaries of what God is doing here — spiritually, emotionally, psychologically, financially and maritally. There was a time I was burdened by a difficult situation in my environment, and I prayed and asked the Lord to put an end to it. To the glory of God, we are free of it now. Looking back, I cannot tell exactly when or how it ended, but God did it. To You be all the glory, Father.

JEMIMA A. OLEH
Member, United Kingdom

130 A CHANGED PRAYER LIFE

I thank God Almighty for being part of Laughing Women through the servant of God, Dr Jite, and its founder. I used to struggle whenever I prayed and read the Bible, often dozing off before I knew it. But ever since I joined Laughing Women, through morning devotions and the prayer marathon, my prayer life has never been the same.

131 A DEBT ANSWERED BEFORE I FINISHED SPEAKING

2019 and 2022 were the most difficult years of my life — I had carryover debts, borrowing from one place to pay another. During a testimony service, I was thanking God for using our former area MP, who had bought Zesco electricity units from me using money I had mistakenly spent that was meant for school fees and rent. Before I even finished speaking, the woman of God said God had already answered me — and through Laughing Women, I received a donation of 600 dollars. I am still grateful for these great women of God, who heard the voice of God guided by the Holy Spirit. I saw the hand of God over my life, and I will worship Him forever.

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132 A CURSE BROKEN

In my life I have experienced setbacks, near-misses and rejection, but through Dr Jite and Laughing Women's morning devotions and monthly prayers for the nations and individuals, my life has never been the same. The curse of promises that went nowhere has been broken.

133 FOUR NATIONS IN THREE WEEKS

I give God all the glory for using Dr Jite through the Holy Spirit so that I could be part of the team that joined her for ministry. I was scared at first because of a past bad experience, and I had never been out of Zambia before. In just three weeks, I travelled to not one, not two, not three, but four nations — travelling not only by road but twice by air. This could only be God restoring opportunities I had missed, breaking the spirit of limitation, setback and near-miss that had held me back, through the power of the Holy Spirit and the prayers of God's servant, Dr Jite. I now understand Job 22:28, Isaiah 60:22 and Philippians 4:13 in a new way.

134 BROUGHT BACK TO SCHOOL

I thank God Almighty for the Laughing Women prayers for children — God brought back my niece's son, who had wanted to run away to an unknown place two weeks after school opened because he didn't want to be told to go back. To God be the glory, he is now in school.

135 SUSTAINED FROM DANGER

I thank God Almighty for the Laughing Women prayers for children — prayer is a powerful weapon. My grandson almost put his hand into hot porridge that was still cooking, and God sustained him.

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136 PROVISION AFTER SEVEN HOURS OF PRAISE

During one of our 7 Hours of Praise, God did it again — the following day I was blessed with 1,500 Zambian Kwacha through Laughing Women, which came at exactly the right time, because I had nothing with me. I thank God for coming through for me, and I am so grateful to mom and the entire Laughing Women prayer team.

NANCY MUBIANA
Member, Lusaka, Zambia

137 MY FIRST ENCOUNTER WITH GOD

Dr Jite's first coming to Zambia, to Arise Ministries International (Beracha), really changed the course of my spiritual journey. It was at a youth overnight conference in October 2023 that I had my very first encounter with the realm of God, and from that day I have lived in more intense encounters with Him. My ministry of worship has scaled up, and I believe in myself more and connect with God more than ever, so much that I constantly look forward to each of her visits for ministry here in Zambia.

138 LEADING PEOPLE INTO ENCOUNTERS WITH GOD

My ministry of worship has changed people's lives, and from that I knew what my purpose in life is: to lead people into encounters with God. There is no greater calling for me. Thank you to the Laughing Women team for this great call.

ESTHER MUKWAMBA
Member, Zambia

139 FAVOUR AT THE OFFICE

God silenced every evil voice speaking against me in my office, and I now find favour there.

NWOGU NNEKA
Member, Lagos, Nigeria

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140 A BOUNCING BABY BOY

In 2023, God blessed me with a bouncing baby boy.

141 A BEAUTIFUL BABY GIRL

In 2025, God blessed me with a beautiful baby girl.

142 SAVED FROM A TERRIBLE ACCIDENT

In 2026, God saved me and my family from a terrible accident.

143 NEVER LACKING

Since 2022, I have been at home without work, but God has been so faithful — I have never lacked anything till date.

EVELYN DANIEL
Member, Benin/Edo State, Nigeria

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144 A SECOND CHANCE

I'm a born-again 64-year-old woman from Eswatini, and I joined Laughing Women on 29 April 2026, when I attended the first meeting through Zoom. Based on Luke 1:37, I am no longer spiritually stunted — I am clear now that the darker the season, the brighter my destiny, and I walk in faith with less lip service. The dim light of God I once felt within me is now shining. I really don't regret being part of this team, and I thank my Father God for giving me a second chance by joining such an anointed group. Thank you, Dr J. Newton and your team — you picked me up from the deep, muddy clay. I really feel that I am moving forward, and my Christian life is no longer the same.

SIBONGILE PRECIOUS SIMELANE
Member, Matsetsa, Lubombo, Eswatini

145 A RETURNEE FINDING PEACE

I am a returnee to the platform, and I'm thanking God for helping me find peace here — my prayer life has improved, and my faith is continuously strengthened by being on the daily prayer line and taking part in the early morning declarations.

146 BACK TO SCHOOL

I have returned to school without looking back at the cost, after years of procrastinating.

147 JESUS HOLDS MY HAND

Life looks better just knowing Jesus holds my hand every day, in a way I do not fully comprehend most of the time.

NZEH NKEIRUKA
Member, Yenagoa/Bayelsa

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148 HEALED OF BRONCHITIS

I had a cold and cough that lasted longer than normal. The doctors prescribed medication three times, and I was still not well, and was eventually diagnosed with bronchitis. I asked Laughing Women for prayer, and Dr Jite told me to get water, add salt to it, and drink it after she prayed over it. In less than a week, I was healed in Jesus' name. I thank God for my health, because without a healthy body we are nothing — we can't function or execute God's work.

149 MERCHANDISE SOLD OUT

I had been struggling to sell Botswana braided merchandise for a long time — I was knocking on doors, and people appreciated the artwork, but no sales were coming in. I continued in prayer with Laughing Women, and during a season of prayer and fasting, all the merchandise I had crafted was sold out. Indeed, I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me and blesses the work of my hands.

ORATILE THIBEDI
Member, Gaborone, Botswana

150 LIFE NOT THE SAME AGAIN

I am grateful to God to be part of this ministry. When I came five years ago, I was really overwhelmed, but encountering Laughing Women, my life was not the same again.

151 A WORD COMING TO PASS

I came looking to God for fruitfulness, and God spoke through Dr Jite several times about me, which I believe is coming to pass, whether the enemy likes it or not. Glory to God.

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152 KNOWING GOD MORE

God is good — I want to thank God for the teaching on how to know Him more and work in the spirit, and for His manifestation in my home.

153 DAILY PROTECTION

I want to thank God for His protection over our lives — day in and day out, God is faithful.

154 A NEW PHASE IN MY LIFE

Praise God for this family of Laughing Women. The greatness of God at the summit each time I attended gave me a new phase in my life. Glory to God — may He keep and continue to uphold Dr Jite.

BOLA JIMOH
Member, London

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155 SIX YEARS OF GROWTH

Praise the living God. I joined Laughing Women in 2020, and my experience over the past six years has been amazing. To me, Laughing Women is more than a ministry — it's a family that God placed me in for a purpose, and it has impacted my life in various ways. Spiritually I have grown so much through the teaching in our daily prayer meetings and Bible study classes, taught in depth by our anointed leaders, Dr Newton and the leadership team; it is not possible to remain the same spiritually. My prayer life has grown tremendously too — the Lord challenges us with different prayer assignments so often that it's impossible to remain the same as long as you stay engaged. One of my most unforgettable experiences was when the Lord, through Dr Newton, challenged us to pray in the spirit for 30 minutes each morning at the exact same time for 30 days; from that day my prayer life has never been the same, and the Lord spoke to me so clearly during that time that hearing Him so audibly was an incredible experience.

Through Laughing Women's charity programmes — orphanage visits, support for vulnerable people and communities, feeding programmes, and shoe projects — I have seen many lives touched here in Uganda and in other countries the ministry has engaged with, which has been a humbling experience for me personally. Generosity and compassion are at the very heart of this ministry, and I have seen it firsthand; I have learned to be more generous even with the little I have, following the example of Christ's own earthly ministry to both spiritual and physical needs. I know the Lord is still writing my story in this ministry, and I am sure there will be many more wonderful testimonies to share.

SUSAN AYANDA
Member, Entebbe, Uganda

156 OUR OWN HOUSE IN LAGOS

Grace found me and my family in this great place of promotion — that we now have our own house in the heart of Lagos is a huge testimony. My husband was never a fan of owning a house in Lagos because of the traffic and how busy the city is; he always said that once we left our rented apartment, we would move to a house he owns on the outskirts of Abuja. I wasn't happy about it, but for some reason I stayed calm and took the matter to God. To the glory of God, out of the blue, my husband told me to go and make enquiries about a property I had been asking him to consider for a long time. That was the starting point of this testimony — I waited on the Lord through it, guided by instructions from the prayer line, and the day he paid for the house was the confirmation. Today, my family and I are in our very own house in Lagos, Nigeria. It can only be God.

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157 MY HUSBAND'S PROMOTION

In 2024, when the military was preparing to conduct promotions of senior officers, there was a lot of uncertainty — for my husband's set, missing that promotion would have meant the end of the peak of his career. At the prayer line one morning, God asked us to pray over what was most pressing in our hearts, and Sister Jite instructed us to bring out items to pray over as points of contact. I brought out my husband's uniform, his picture and our family picture, and prayed that he would not miss his promotion, that favour would follow, and that our family bond would grow stronger. In December that same year, to the glory of the Most High God, he was promoted and decorated, then posted to a base that favoured him and allowed him to impact the community there. Hallelujah.

158 MY SON'S TURNAROUND

My only son graduated from high school a few weeks ago. He has always been an A student from his elementary days, winning awards and scholarships, but also very playful. When he moved from elementary to the boarding school where his elder sister had finished, he started backsliding, ending up at the bottom of his class after having once been at the top — a worrying three years. One morning on the prayer line, there was a message for a sister concerning her son that resonated with me, and I tapped into it by faith, keeping my son on the altar of God. At the end of junior high, the school told me he could not be placed in the science class because he was academically weak, though he wanted to study engineering. I argued that they couldn't push him into a class without passion, but the school required me to sign an undertaking that if he didn't do well in his first year of senior science, he would move to Arts or Commercial and repeat the year. The Holy Spirit told me to bring the undertaking and let God's power be seen. Three years later, to God's glory, my son graduated as a prefect, the school basketball captain, and President of the Junior Achievers, was one of the top 1% scorers in the SAT, and now coaches students preparing for their own SAT exams. This testimony has shown, time and again, the power of God's work in this place of promotion.

159 DEBTS PAID OFF

For years I wallowed in debt from three major setbacks caused by bad investment — I had pulled in funds from people to execute a government contract worth tens of millions that was never paid for, and those I owed wanted their money back, which I was unable to provide. There was a sudden turnaround: a message from God came to me through Sister Jite, and how God did it still remains a mystery, but I am not one to question our mysterious God. I was able to pay off all the debts and got my own office and intimate event space, which God named "Where Faith Lives." God said I would lend to nations, and I did — as tiny as I am, God became mindful of me, showed me His power, and lifted me from a place of despair.

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160 THE GIFT OF TONGUES

God blessed me with the tongue of the Spirit. I had prayed for this gift over and over, until God instructed Sister Jite to set aside a period of days for this assignment. I pleaded the blood of Jesus until the Holy Spirit released my tongue and ushered me into utterances of the Holy One — a transformation I felt to the core of my soul. I bless God for this, and I pray I continue to uphold this great divine gift.

161 MY DAUGHTERS, DELIVERED AND HEALED

I want to thank God for the gift of my daughters. In a world where social media shapes and influences teenagers and young adults, my prayer has never ceased that God would keep ordering their steps so they don't derail from the word of God. My daughter in Canada battled a form of depression for a while, but my Jesus delivered her, because He has a purpose for her. I also give thanks for my second daughter, who had major surgery four years ago — a surgery so serious that we thought she might lose one of her ovaries, but God showed Himself mighty again: a completely successful surgery, her ovaries intact, hormones balanced, and she is healthy and doing amazingly well.

162 A SPIRITUAL FACE-LIFT

My spiritual life has had a great face-lift because of my being in the Laughing Women Ministry, a place of promotion. The daily sessions have become so edifying, like a daily dose of tonic for my soul. As a very private person, nothing beats having a small and intimate space where you can be vulnerable with God. This ministry is a blessing to me, from God.

MARIAN EBE
Member, Lagos, Nigeria

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163 BACK TO UNIVERSITY

I never thought I could go back to university, but through Laughing Women, the Lord gave a message that I should go back to school. I am in school now, and God has been so good.

164 A CHURCH CLOSE TO HOME

I had been praying for a church for my children to attend, and I received a revelation from the Laughing Women prayer group that there was a church for me close to my house. That is a very good testimony for me, and I'm happy that my children can come to know God for themselves.

MARY USIOMOIFA
Member, London

165 RESTORATION IN MY MARRIAGE

I started joining the Laughing Women prayer sessions in March this year, and during one of them, Dr Jite gave a word of knowledge concerning my marriage, which was going through one of the most difficult seasons of my life — a situation that had become overwhelming. That word from the Lord reignited my faith and gave me the strength to keep praying with the Bible verses that Dr Jite and Sis Ese gave me that day, trusting God even when things seemed impossible. Today, to the glory of God, I stand as a testimony of His faithfulness — the Lord has brought restoration and peace into our home, and what once seemed impossible, God has turned around for our good.

166 MY DAUGHTER'S ACCIDENT, PREVENTED FROM BEING WORSE

I give God all the glory for saving my eldest daughter from what could have been a devastating accident. She was driving in her lane when a large lorry suddenly dragged her car out of it; by God's mercy, only the back of her car was badly damaged, and her life was preserved. She doesn't live with me, and only told me about the accident when she and her husband visited us three weeks ago — she said it happened during the period we were specifically praying for our children. Looking back, I can only say glory be to God: He heard our prayers and protected my daughter. Thank you, Dr Jite, for answering the call of God and leading us to pray for our children.

IYOBOSA
Member, United Kingdom

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167 A SKILL IN DOOR-MAT KNITTING

Laughing Women taught me the skill of knitting door mats. Through this empowerment, I have been able to start a business selling door mats. Thank you, Laughing Women.

JOSEPHINE KATONGO
Beneficiary, Chongwe, Zambia

168 LEARNING TO KNIT AND TEACHING OTHERS

I didn't know how to knit door mats until I was trained by Laughing Women. I have now picked up the skill and am teaching it to my friends. I knit door mats and sell them.

MARGARET MULENGA
Beneficiary, Chongwe, Zambia

169 A PLATFORM TO INSPIRE YOUNG GIRLS

Early in my walk with Jesus Christ, God, through prophecy, called me to inspire the people around me. A desire grew in me to encourage young people to be different in this corrupt world, not conforming to its patterns but being transformed by the renewing of the mind, according to Romans 12:2. Laughing Women, through the She Matters initiative, has given me a platform to fulfil this God-given purpose through my interactions with young girls, as we search the Scriptures and learn together. Glory be to Jesus.

170 GROWTH THROUGH THE EVOLVE SUMMIT

Through this ministry, God has transformed me — I have experienced spiritual growth and an increase in my faith. The Evolve Summit has enhanced my leadership skills, and I am grateful for this ministry.

SARAH BANDA
Coordinator, Lusaka, Zambia

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171 RESTORED HOPE THROUGH A FRIEND

Glory be to God. Joining Laughing Women has been a great blessing to me over the past three years. I was going through a very difficult season in my personal life when I visited a friend connected to the Laughing Women prayer line, during the afternoon prayer for the breaking of the fast, and she invited me to join. From that day, God began to restore my hope and strengthen my faith. Through the prayers, the Word of God and the fellowship, I have experienced His faithfulness in many ways, and I pray He continues to use this ministry to impact many more lives.

172 FOCUS FOR MY BUSINESS

God helped me focus on my business through the word of knowledge from Dr Jite at the 2025 UK conference, Inspire.

173 CONFUSION TURNED TO CONFIDENCE

Glory be to God. On 28 May this year, I was in the middle of making a major decision and felt overwhelmed and confused, but God intervened. During the Laughing Women prayer meeting, the prayer point was about the spirit of confusion, based on 1 Corinthians 14:33 — that God is not the author of confusion, but of peace. As we prayed, God lifted the burden from my heart, gave me peace, and brought clarity to my mind. I can truly testify that God is faithful — He turned my confusion into confidence and directed my steps.

SADE
Member, London

174 A DEGREE AGAINST THE ODDS

I want to give glory and thanks to God for my BSc degree, achieved against the odds. I had initially registered for a nursing degree, but after a year I had to withdraw due to financial and childcare reasons. A couple of years later, to God's glory, I gained admission to a degree in Public Health, but I struggled again because I couldn't receive funding due to my husband's status abroad. I don't know exactly where the money came from, but with the help of family, friends and some minimal government support, I made it through. Throughout that season, God provided emotional and spiritual support through the Laughing Women Ministry, giving me strength every morning to care for my children as well as attend university. To God be all the glory, I completed the journey even when I felt like giving up.

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175 A CAREER BREAKTHROUGH IN THE PANDEMIC

When I completed my degree, finding a job was going to be a challenge because of the economic situation caused by Covid. To God's glory, I mentioned this to my sister-in-law, who mentioned it to a colleague at work, and through that connection God ordered my footsteps and gave me a career working with special needs children at a school local to me. In the interview, they were so impressed that they offered me the job on the spot, and the following week, at my graduation, my professor couldn't believe I had already secured a job. I give God all the glory for blessing me with the Laughing Women Ministry as a spiritual anchor throughout that season.

176 HEALING FOR MY SISTER

I am grateful to be able to thank God for my sister's life. God has consistently demonstrated His power, making it possible for her to find healing after years of health challenges, and we remain hopeful that she will continue to receive complete healing, trusting that God never forgets His own. Today I want to express my gratitude for her healing and for her returning to the sister I have always known.

177 MY NIECE'S DEBT-FREE MASTER'S DEGREE

Amidst all the trials my sister endured, her daughter was at university, battling financial hardship that left us trembling with uncertainty over how the tuition fees would be paid. Yet in our deepest moment of need, God's mercy and grace shone brightly, coming through in ways we could never have imagined and turning our tears into proclamations of hope. Today, my heart overflows with joy as I share that she graduated with First Class Honours and went on to complete her Master's in Genetics, debt-free. I raise my voice in triumphant hallelujah, for only God's mighty hand could have wrought such a miracle.

178 MY SONS' ACHIEVEMENTS

I am overwhelmed with gratitude to God for the remarkable achievement of my son. There was a time when my family and I were told he would never realise his true potential, that he would struggle to read properly and that his future was bleak. But today I give all glory to our Lord, for He has defied every doubt — my son has gained admission to a grammar school, achieved wonderful results, and is now thriving in his third year at university. I also give thanks for my second son, whose journey is ascending beautifully, and I trust that God's grace will continue to pour over both my children's lives.

CONCHITA
Partner, United Kingdom

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179 IMPACT IN KAUNDA SQUARE COMMUNITY

Laughing Women in Zambia has impacted a number of lives in the church and also in the Kaunda Square community, where Arise Ministries International is based. One project that has made a difference is an orphanage in Kaunda Square, which was given a new face through renovation. Educational programmes for youth and women run by the Laughing Women team have been a great encouragement to the church and to us as individuals, and Dr Jite's visits to Zambia have been nothing but impactful on all of us. I am greatly humbled by the opportunity to testify.

KANTUMOYA
Member, Lusaka, Zambia

180 SAVED FROM REPOSSESSION

By the time we returned from Africa, our mortgage lender began the process of repossessing our home, because the mortgage was in my late husband's name. At that time I was still a university student with no job or income, and the bank took me to court, sending letters ordering the repossession of our home and our eviction. During this difficult season, while on the prayer line, a word came that we should take part in a water cleansing; I was miles from home, but the Holy Spirit impressed it strongly on my heart, and I ran home as fast as I could. God spoke to me, saying, "Pray and put your trust in God, not in man," and I held on to that word. Soon afterwards, mortgage lenders who had previously refused me began contacting me with offers, and the search for a new property began — I knew this could only be God's doing.

A few weeks later, the court issued the final repossession and eviction date, and I cried out to God, asking if this was how my children and I would become homeless. Immediately, through Dr Jite, the Lord spoke: "You and your children will never be homeless. Pray and trust in Him." The bank did not repossess our home or evict us as expected — instead, God made a way where there seemed to be none, and blessed us with a beautiful house that we now proudly call our home. This could only have been the hand of the Lord.

181 JOURNEY MERCIES FOR MY HUSBAND'S BURIAL

During the period of my husband's illness and his passing after a brief sickness, several prophecies were spoken concerning him. After his death, my children and I decided that his remains would be taken back to Africa for burial, but we faced serious financial challenges. I reached out to Dr Jite, and as I prayed I heard a voice say, "Put your trust in God." Holding on to that word, we trusted Him completely, and by His grace, support came from family, friends and well-wishers, enabling us to raise the funds we needed. A few days before our journey home, God gave us another prophecy, instructing us to cover our family with Psalm 16 and Exodus 14:14. We obeyed, and throughout the trip, the burial and our return journey, God protected us, granted us journey mercies, and gave my husband a successful and peaceful send-off. We are deeply grateful for God's faithfulness, provision, protection and unfailing love during one of the most difficult seasons of our lives.

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182 RESTORATION WITH MY SON

Shortly after my husband passed away, it felt as though the enemy came knocking at my door. My son's life changed dramatically, and a prophecy was spoken over him revealing that the devil was seeking to destroy his destiny. During this difficult season, he dropped out of school, fell in with the wrong crowd, and refused to acknowledge me as his mother. He took over my car, drove it around with his friends, and eventually had an accident that badly damaged it — to God be the glory, no one was injured. After the accident, another prophecy came through the woman of God: "Show your son love and accept him with your whole heart. God has a great plan for his life, but the devil is after his destiny. Do not allow it to happen." Holding on to God's promises, through weeks of prayer and fasting directed by the Holy Spirit, together with Dr Jite, I obeyed God's leading and we moved to a different city, separating my son from the negative influences around him.
To God be all the glory, my son is back in school, no longer sees me as a burden, and once again proudly calls me Mum. God has restored our relationship. As for the car damaged before we moved, I had no job or income during that season, yet having a car was essential where we relocated. One morning on the prayer line, Dr Jite prophesied that God was blessing a particular sister with a car before the end of that month, and I received and claimed that word by faith. Before the month ended, I applied for car finance, and by God's grace my application was approved, and the Lord blessed my family with a new car. Through every trial, God proved Himself faithful.

ADANNA
Member, London

183 VINDICATED AT WORK

Unto God be all the glory and honour, the God who says in Deuteronomy 31:8 that He will never leave us nor forsake us. My testimony is this: I had travelled for a holiday, but was still able to join the Laughing Women prayer line every day. On one of those mornings, Dr Jite gave me a message from the Lord, saying that at my workplace God had shown her two women making a mess at my desk and on my chair, and that I should start praying for God's mercy over the matter. On my return to work, I received an email and phone call from HR asking me to come to head office urgently, as a complaint had been made against me and was under investigation. I had worked my way up to a senior position over three years at that company, and someone in my department had lodged a complaint against me while I was on holiday. After days of prayer and their investigation, they could find no evidence to find me guilty, and the case was thrown out — all glory to God for His mercy.

It didn't end there. On my return to work, the Lord gave another message through the prayer line, that I would lose my job because my co-workers were not happy with that decision, and that I should be prepared. Within two days, the same co-workers made another complaint, saying they were uncomfortable working with me, and I was called back to HR to choose between a transfer or resignation to avoid the tension. I resigned. Just as God had said, it came to pass, and it was heartbreaking, coming just after Christmas — but I continued to pray and thank God, knowing He was still with me through it all.

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184 PROVIDED FOR WHILE JOBLESS AND HOMELESS

Glory be to the most faithful God, who has said in His word in Psalm 27:10, Deuteronomy 31:6 and Joshua 1:9. Before the loss of my job, I had been staying with a close family member and paying for my accommodation there, but I was told I could no longer stay and had to find somewhere to go within a week's notice — I was now homeless, jobless, and living off a small amount of savings. But God, in His faithfulness, directed me in prayer as to which way to go and who to speak to for help. I packed my belongings and reached out to a dear aunt of mine, who took me in without hesitation. I began applying for jobs online, and it took six months to find one. During those six months of waiting, not earning a penny, God saw me through — I did not lack. To be honest, the first couple of months were not easy for my faith, but with the help of the Holy Spirit, prayer, fasting, and my Laughing Women prayer-line family, who God used to bring me daily words of encouragement, I made it through. God provided enough for me to pay my bills, have food to eat, and a good place to sleep, until the day my breakthrough came in a new and better job. There were tough days, but I held on to the word of God, and He did not fail me.

185 A SEVEN-YEAR WAIT FOR MY SON'S JOB

A big thanks to God, my Father, who has said in John 14:13-14, Matthew 7:7-8 and Matthew 21:22 that if we ask, seek and knock, He does hear us. My son had applied for a well-paid job at a company with a five-year waiting list, and I began to ask, seek and knock on his behalf. God answered in the fifth year, and my son was called for an interview — but someone inside the company pulled strings and bypassed him, giving the position to someone else with a similar first name but a different surname. When the company discovered this had been an inside job, that person was dismissed, and my son waited another two years before being called again, though I did not stop praying for him. He went in for his training and did well, but on the very last day of class, he was tested and, by his own doing — the spirit of anger I had warned him about many times — he was rubbed the wrong way by classmates and exposed himself by losing his temper. He was sent home while the company investigated, and dismissed three months later, after seven years of waiting. My son had been brought up in the way of the Lord, but from around the age of 21 he decided God was a "man-made story," despite all he had learned over the years. As a mother it was very painful for me, and I know it was for him too, but there was a lesson for him to learn: that he is not in control, especially when you commit your children into God's hands.

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186 RECONCILIATION WITH MY SON

To the most high God, who is merciful, kind, slow to anger yet rich in love. After the loss of my son's job, I reached out to him with words of encouragement by text, as the Holy Spirit had dropped in my heart, since he had decided not to speak to anyone or take phone calls. His reply shocked me: he told me he no longer wanted to hear about "my God," that I was no longer welcome in his home, that I would not see my granddaughter, and that if I continued to mention God he was no longer my son. It was hard for me to take in, after years of praying for that very job that God had heard and granted him. But God, in His loving kindness, seeing my pain and hearing my cry, gave me a message through Dr Jite Newton on the prayer line: not to worry about my son, that this was God's doing, that he needed to reach the place where his back was against the wall with nowhere to turn, so he would realise he had no power of his own and cry out to God. I was told to keep praying for him, for the spirit of humility, and that he would come round within the next five months or less and call me, and that I would see my granddaughter again and my son would reconcile with me. And so it was — within three months of that message, my son got in touch, and I was able to see my granddaughter again.

The Lord also told me, during my time of praying and waiting, that He was going to bless me with another grandchild — a boy. When my son finally called, he told me his wife was expecting, and I told him I already knew, and that it was a boy, which surprised him, as he could not comprehend how the God I serve had revealed this to me. I was happy to boast about my God and Father, the One who reveals secret things to His faithful servant, according to His word in Amos 3:7, Numbers 12:6, Deuteronomy 18:18 and Jeremiah 33:3.

AUNTY V
Member, United Kingdom

187 KEPT ALIVE AND WELL

God has done me well — He keeps me alive, and I am healthy and well. He has protected me, and I am grateful I do not take this for granted. We thank God for the leadership who pushes us to strive for excellence in all we do.

188 PROTECTED FROM A SERIOUS ACCIDENT

I thank God for preserving my life and protecting me from what could have been a serious accident. I fell on a busy road during night-time road repair works, when only one lane was open, right in front of an approaching bus — but the bus had to stop at a bus stop, and the second lane was closed, so no cars could hit me. Nothing serious happened; I only scraped my knee a little, and I am thankful there were no nails or broken glass on the road where I fell. I know indeed that God prevented something terrible from happening.

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189 GRACE THROUGH A SEASON OF DEVELOPMENT

Recently, God opened a door for me to undertake an intensive development programme. It is a demanding season with a steep learning curve and tight deadlines, but God's favour is evident every step of the way — when the workload feels heavy, He gives me the mental clarity, discipline and peace to keep pressing forward, equipping me with everything I need for what He has led me into. I am giving God all the glory as He carries me through this phase of learning, trusting that this is my season and place of promotion in His perfect timing.

SHOLA ADENIPEKUN
Member, United Kingdom

190 A NETWORK OF FRIENDS FOR THE CHILDREN

I am one of the parents of scholarship children. I faced a very hard time sending my daughter, Promise, to school, until someone directed me to the Laughing Women Ambassador, Evangelist Naomi Edem, and my daughter was selected as one of the children sponsored in the scholarship programme. She has had her fees cleared and also received notebooks and textbooks, and she is currently topping her class — making us, Laughing Women, and God proud.

MUMMY PROMISE FESTUS
Beneficiary, Abuja, Nigeria

191 OUR TWINS, SPONSORED THROUGH SCHOOL

Laughing Women picked up our children when it was really challenging for us to enrol them in school. To the glory of God, the ministry sponsored our twins from Primary 1 to 6, covering all their bills including textbooks. We are truly grateful that our children are educated because of the impact of this ministry — our twins finished as best pupils in their set.

HUSENNA AND HASSAN IBRAHIM FAMILY
Beneficiary, Abuja, Nigeria

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192 A BENEFICIARY'S REFLECTION ON SELF-WORTH

After the outreach, we spoke to one of the beneficiaries, who has since finished secondary school. She spoke of how impactful the programme was — she learned how to take care of herself during her menstrual cycle, and while some of it she already knew, she said she was enlightened even more. She mentioned that the most impactful part of the programme for her was the talk on self-worth: she usually has doubts about herself, but the programme shone a light on how wonderful she is and how there is no limit to her capabilities in Christ. She also spoke about staying away from the opposite sex, avoiding premarital sex, and valuing herself and her dignity.

TESTIMONIAL FROM SHE MATTERS PROGRAM
Agege, Lagos

193 FROM FINANCIAL STRUGGLE TO OPEN DOORS

I want to bless the name of the Lord for the LW Ministry. I never imagined I would be part of it in this capacity, but God has marvelous plans for us all. Serving with the ministry has been beyond rewarding, seeing the impact we create in people's lives, especially those who can never repay us — which is an even greater blessing and gives deep satisfaction. Since I started serving with the ministry, God has been good. I recall really struggling financially, my husband and I, when I first started; it was hard, and I thank God for family that made the burden a little lighter during a season when the economy was so tight. We were often ashamed to even go to church because of the clothes we wore, unable to change clothing when there were other things to sort out, on top of unavoidable hospital expenses. Through it all, God was still faithful. To the glory of God, doors opened for my husband, and things started becoming better — we were no longer struggling as we used to. Looking back over the years, we see the hand of God: food and clothing are no longer a problem. I started my master's in the midst of that season, and God helped us; I am convocating in November despite all the challenges. I really believe that giving back puts a smile on God's face, and the reward is greater than one can imagine.

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194 MY BROTHER'S WORK PERMIT

I also want to testify to the glory of God for my brother. During one of our prayers for 7 Hours of Praise, this was one of my requests: my brother's studies in the US were done, and he had a job offer, but needed his work permit. This process usually doesn't take long, but because of the political climate at the time it became a big issue, dragging on for months with no response until the job he had been offered was withdrawn. It was a trying time, affecting him deeply, and my dad was worried too, and my brother began considering alternatives like a further master's just to extend his visa. To the glory of God, during one of the lawsuits, the court ruled in favour of those waiting for their work permits, over the government. Even though nothing happened for weeks afterward, it gave him the courage to call the relevant office; they gave him an appointment too far away to be useful, so he summoned the courage to go in person the following Monday. The woman at the office told him his appointment wasn't that day, but asked him to wait in case an opening came up — one did, and he was let in and did his biometrics again, even though he had done them before. Everything went quiet again for a while, but to the glory of God, some weeks later he received a letter confirming his work permit had been approved. What took months of waiting and trusting, God came through on, and I believe He will give him a wonderful job beyond his expectations.

FAVOUR GREATNESS
Global Program Manager, Lagos, Nigeria

195 A SPEAKER FOR THE MORNING CRY

The Lord has used this ministry to bless me spiritually — through the ministry I started going out for morning cry, preaching the gospel early in the morning, and they bought a rechargeable speaker for me.

196 SUPPORT FOR MY LATE MOTHER'S HEALTH

The Lord used the ministry to bless my late mother financially, so that I could help take care of her health, and I am not taking that for granted.

197 A LAPTOP FOR LEARNING A SKILL

The Lord used the ministry to support me with money so that I could buy a small laptop to learn a skill.

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198 SUPPORT AFTER LOSING MY MOTHER

The ministry supported me financially when I lost my mother in February 2023.

199 EVANGELISM IN RURAL AREAS

The Lord has mightily used the ministry to change my heart for evangelism — we go to rural areas and villages to spread the gospel of Jesus Christ, and Dr Jite always encourages us with the word of God, that we should not give up on Jesus, who is the only helper that can truly help a person.

JOHNSON ANKELI SHAIBU
Coordinator, Gwagwalada, Abuja, Nigeria

200 AFTER ALMOST FOUR YEARS OF WAITING

After almost four years of waiting, with no sign of conception and many questions from loved ones alongside various medical advice, Jesus did it. Isaiah 54:1-5 speaks to my heart. I began to worry, but I kept believing and praying for God to show up in my situation. Being part of the Laughing Women prayer line, God used the founder and leader of the group, Dr Jite Newton, to bring together 17 women waiting for the fruit of the womb, to pray as one. Dr Jite blessed us with the word of God, encouragement, prayers and clear direction, and today I am a mother of a beautiful baby girl. I cannot thank God enough for this miracle, and I also thank Dr Jite Newton for allowing God to use her greatly in my life.

BENEDICTA MENSAH
Member, UK

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201 AN UNEXPECTED PROMOTION

During one of our daily prayers, Sister Jite gave a word that a promotion was coming to me from my current job — one that would be the envy of the people I worked with, who would question how I got it. At the time I had no idea how this would be possible, as there was no role above mine as a nurse at that point. But this is the testimony: I was also in school for my master's degree in health informatics, and one day, as I was about to leave work, I went to the IT office to ask about a co-op opportunity, uncertain if they even offered one. As it happened, the director of the IT team was visiting my work site from another state at the very same time. I explained that I was hoping for a co-op opportunity; he said they didn't offer that, but told me about a full-time opportunity he had. As he spoke, it became clear he had heard me say I was still a student, because he told me plainly that he knew I didn't know the job yet, but that he would teach me what I needed to know if I was willing. That is how I walked out with a full-time job in informatics — they were searching for someone to join the team for the launch of a new electronic health record system, which closely aligned with my studies. That job gave me opportunities and experiences I wouldn't otherwise have had: I sat at the same table as C-level staff who knew me by name, flew business class and stayed in a luxurious resort for the first time, and was well compensated despite not having the work experience typically required for the role. There was no interview during my initial meeting with the director or afterward, because of this prophetic word by Sister Jite. Praise God.

PATIENCE OGBU
Member, Massachusetts, USA

202 THE GOODNESS OF GOD IN ILORIN AND KWARA STATE

All glory be to God Almighty for all the good things He has been doing in the Laughing Women Ministry over the years. I appreciate God Almighty for all the wonderful things He is doing here — we have many testimonies in this ministry, including support for fatherless children and support for widows, given to many people, just as Dorcas gave to widows in Acts 9:36-42. Everything God is doing in Ilorin and Kwara State at a time like this, through the Laughing Women Ministry, is wonderful. I appreciate God Almighty for this ministry, and I pray that God will continue helping you, uplifting you, and upholding you all the days of your life, in Jesus' mighty name. Amen. Long life to Laughing Women Ministry, and long life to Mummy. Shalom, shalom.

MRS. JULIANA OPADIRAN
Ambassador, Ilorin, Kwara State

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203 SUPPORTED THROUGH UNIVERSITY

My name is Isiaka Hawau, and this is also the testimony of my brother, Isiaka Adam's. We are grateful to God, and I want to testify to His goodness in my life and in my brother's life. From before we finished university until now, God used Ambassador Modupe Opadiran to support us financially — she introduced my brother and me to a ministry called Laughing Women Ministry, which has supported us financially throughout our time at university, and continues to do so till now. It is by God's grace that we were made beneficiaries of their help; because of it, we were able to complete our education. May God continue to bless Ambassador Modupe Opadiran and the Laughing Women Ministry Foundation richly, and reward their labour of love. Amen.

ISIAKA HAWAU
Member, Ilorin, Kwara State

204 FORTY YEARS OF FAITHFUL SERVICE: A TESTIMONY OF MAMA MODUPE OPADIRAN'S MINISTRY

I would like to give this testimony concerning the great work our Lady Ambassador and Evangelist, Mama Modupe Opadiran, has done through her ministry, particularly her outreach to widows, the disabled, the poor, the needy and children in CAC Olorunsogo Church and its environs. Through her ministry, and with the help of the destiny helper, many lives have been touched, transformed and given hope. She has assisted children with scholarships to attend nursery and primary school, giving them the opportunity of an education and a better future.

Some years ago, when the destiny helper in the person of Dr. Jite Newton, Founder Laughing Women, visited Lagos, Nigeria, Mama Opadiran travelled there to meet her together with some of the women from our church. One of those women later shared a powerful testimony with me: the ministry had assisted her with a huge sum of money, which enabled her to settle a heavy debt that had been hanging over her for a long time, wiping away years of worry and restoring laughter and hope to her life. She also told me that every woman who had accompanied our Lady Evangelist to Lagos received one form of financial assistance or another, and they all returned home with joy and laughter, grateful for the help they had received.

I have known Mama Opadiran, LW Ilorin Ambassador for about 40 years; we lived as neighbours in the same community, at Federal Road, Kulende Estate, Sango Road. Over the years, I have personally witnessed her commitment to the work of God and to helping people in need. Through her ministry, ministers of God receive financial assistance every month, and I have personally benefited from this support. She has also given financial assistance to our church's mission school projects and to church development, and has distributed Bibles, tracts and other religious books to churches around us. She preaches the word of God and carries out evangelistic activities in our church, has organised seminars for ministers of God throughout Kwara State, including at our own church, and on several occasions has invited well-known gospel musicians to lead programmes of thanksgiving and praise to God.

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She also organises seminars for young people and children. At times she approaches me to request the use of our church bus for evangelistic programmes; I then inform our pastors and elders, who release the bus for the work. She has used the young men of our church to travel to rural areas to promote evangelism and spread the gospel of Jesus Christ, and she assists the sick and extends help to people experiencing difficult circumstances.

Our Lady Evangelist is passionate about preaching the gospel of God. Whenever she ministers, she tells her audience that our major assignment on earth is to love one another, to love our neighbours, and to prepare ourselves for our final home, which is Heaven, and she consistently encourages people to live lives pleasing to God and to focus their hearts and attention on Jesus Christ. Two of the Scriptures she particularly loves are Psalm 150 and Luke 6:38, reflecting her emphasis on praising God and giving generously to others. She always appeals to us to focus on Jesus Christ alone, making Him the centre of everything in our lives.

I thank God for the life and ministry of our Lady Ambassador and Lady Evangelist, Mama Modupe Opadiran, and for the many lives that have been blessed through her ministry and through the destiny helper. May our destiny helper be blessed with long life, good health, spiritual growth, divine favour and abundant blessings, in Jesus' mighty name. Amen.

PASTOR JOHNSON ADEKUNLE BABALOLA
CAC Olorunsogo Zonal Headquarters, Ilorin, Kwara State

205 A LETTER OF APPRECIATION ON YOUR 10TH ANNIVERSARY

On behalf of the management and entire family of Joke Fashion Institute, we warmly congratulate Laughing Women Ministry on the celebration of its 10th Anniversary. Ten years of existence, service, unity and impact is truly worthy of celebration, and we pray that the ministry will continue to grow from strength to strength.

We would also like to express our heartfelt appreciation for the kind support and assistance extended to Joke Fashion Institute through Prophetess Mrs Opaleye. The generosity and commitment shown towards supporting our institute and the development of young people through vocational training have made a meaningful difference, and we are truly grateful.

As we continue our mission of empowering individuals with valuable fashion and vocational skills, we look forward to the continued support of Laughing Women Ministry, especially in helping us bring in and train more apprentices who might not otherwise have the opportunity to acquire these skills. We believe that with continued partnership, we can reach more young people, equip them with sustainable skills, and contribute positively to their future and to our society.

Once again, congratulations on your 10th Anniversary. May God continue to bless every member of the Laughing Women Ministry, enlarge your capacity, and grant the association many more years of success, unity and greater impact. Thank you for your kindness, support and commitment to empowering others.

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Partner Institution, Kulende, Sango, Ilorin, Kwara State

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206 TEN YEARS OF REACHING WIDOWS AND CHILDREN IN KWARA STATE

I have been with Laughing Women since the organisation started, and together we have carried out a lot of programmes for widows — we preach to them, counsel them, and set up praise sessions for them, and they always go home with packages such as food and money. We also go on evangelism to the villages in Kwara State, reaching out to widows there and meeting many of the needs they bring to us, which Laughing Women meets. We also visit orphanages to care for the children, and visit prison cells to share food. Fatherless children, too, have had their school fees sorted through the ministry — I cannot count how many children in Kwara State have had their school fees paid, from primary through to secondary school, by Laughing Women. The widows, and the fatherless and motherless children we serve, always praise God for Laughing Women Ministry. Laughing Women has done great work in Kwara State, and I praise God for Laughing Women clocking ten years. May God be with the ministry till the end.

PROPHET SUNDAY AJAO
Member, Ilorin, Nigeria

207 BLESSED PHYSICALLY, MATERIALLY AND SPIRITUALLY

My name is Evangelist Grace Oluejire. I thank God that in the Laughing Women Ministry I have been greatly blessed, physically, materially and spiritually. In 2017, when we went to Lagos for a Laughing Women programme, I was blessed spiritually and with many material things: clothes, aso-ofi cloth, money and more. Whenever we gather for our monthly Laughing Women programme, we thank God, because He always grants us journey mercies in all our activities; visiting orphanage homes, prison yards, schools for children with special needs, and hospitals, going to mission fields, and granting scholarships to less privileged children and to widows' children, to mention but a few. We glorify God that every one of these has been a huge success and has won souls to the glory of God.

My prayer is that, as you continue causing people to laugh, God will continue to put laughter in your own life, in Jesus' name. Long live Ambassador Modupe Opadiran and Laughing Women Ministry, and happy 10th anniversary. Forward ever, in Jesus' name.

EVANGELIST GRACE OLUEJIRE
Member, Ilorin, Nigeria

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208 HEALED AND PROMOTED: THE FAITHFULNESS OF GOD

I stand here to testify to the goodness of God in my life. First, concerning my health: two years ago, I was diagnosed with glaucoma in my eyes. There was fear in my heart, and I spent money on medication, but there was no solution, and the enemy told me I would not make it. But God said, "I am the Lord that healeth thee" (Exodus 15:26). Today I stand here strong, no sickness, no pain; my body is working perfectly. God opened that door for me. God also promoted me and lifted up my head: a position that should have taken ten years to reach was given to me in less than seven years. I return all the glory to Him, because He is a faithful God, this is not by my own power; this is the hand of God upon my life (Psalm 75:6-7). I pray that Almighty God will continue lifting up Ambassador Modupe Opadiran and Laughing Women Ministry, and that Laughing Women Ministry will not collapse, in Jesus' name. Amen.

REVEREND EMMANUEL
Member, Ilorin, Nigeria

209 SCHOOL FEES PAID FOR MY SON

I thank God for the life and ministry of Ambassador Modupe Opadiran, for paying the school fees of my son, Rowland Bill Eniola. I pray for Ambassador Modupe Opadiran, for long life and good health, in Jesus' name, and also for Laughing Women Ministry, for more progress, that the ministry will not collapse, in Jesus' name. Amen.

REVEREND EMMANUEL
Member, Ilorin, Nigeria

210 A HOUSE AND WONDERFUL THINGS THROUGH THE MINISTRY

My name is Margaret Akinwale. I want to testify to the good things God has done in my life through Laughing Women Ministry. God helped me and my children with a house through the ministry, and I experienced many wonderful things through the gathering with Ambassador Modupe Opadiran on the 19th, in 2023. I pray that the Laughing Women Ministry will continue to grow in God's strength and love, and I thank Ambassador Modupe Opadiran and the Laughing Women Ministry for making me a beneficiary. Our God is great. May each day of this month bring you good news; may every good door you knock on be opened, and may every obstacle to your glory be removed by the Almighty God, in Jesus Christ's name. I wish you a fruitful month. Amen, in Jesus' name!

MARGARET AKINWALE
Member, Ilorin, Nigeria

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211 A SEED THAT BROUGHT MY BUSINESS BACK TO LIFE

I come to testify to the goodness of God in my business. Some time ago, things were very tough — sales were low, and bills were plenty. I brought my business before God in one of the prayer programmes, and the seed, the money sown into my business by Laughing Women Ministry, transformed my business back to life, through the grace that follows this ministry. I have nothing more to say than thank You, Jesus. God, continue to bless Ambassador Modupe Opadiran and Laughing Women Ministry, in Jesus' name. Amen.

MRS AMOS
Member, Ilorin, Nigeria

212 FROM GLORY TO GLORY: REBUILT, RESTORED AND FULFILLED

I joined the Laughing Women prayer platform when my life felt completely shattered. In December 2018, I had just come out of a 15-year relationship, and the heartbreak left me at my lowest point: empty, discouraged, and unsure of how to move forward. But day after day, as I prayed with the women on this platform, I drew strength. I found courage. Slowly, God began to rebuild me, transforming me from a broken woman into a warrior in His army. Through His teachings and the fellowship, I learned to hear the Holy Spirit clearly, whether through dreams or the word of knowledge.

On this same platform, God spoke a life-changing word through His servant, Dr Jite: that I should go back to study, and He would be with me. At 57 or 58 years old, I wondered how this could be possible. But when God speaks, obedience opens doors. By His grace, I completed a BSc in Health and Social Care, graduating with a 2:1 and becoming a top achiever in leadership and management studies. God didn't stop there, I went on to earn my PGDip in Mental Health Nursing and received my registration PIN, and that same year I completed my long-desired MSc in Mental Health Studies. In just six years, God enabled me to achieve three qualifications I never imagined I could attain. Truly, he is a promise-keeper.

But God also restored my personal life. At the end of my academic journey, he brought back into my life the man who had asked for my hand in marriage before I ever came to the UK. Life had taken us in different directions, and both our marriages had failed. For years I prayed for God to send me my life partner, never knowing it would be someone I already knew. God is indeed a master planner.

Today, I thank God for the Laughing Women platform, for the sisterhood, for the teachings of the Holy Spirit, and for this journey from glory to glory. My life is proof that God restores, He rebuilds, and He fulfils every promise spoken. To God be all the glory.

ELIZABETH JAIYEOLA
Member, Northfleet, Gravesend. Kent, United Kingdom

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213 INTRODUCED TO LAUGHING WOMEN THROUGH A JOURNEY TO GHANA

I am deeply grateful to give this testimony and to express my appreciation for being a member of this wonderful organisation, Laughing Women. In 2016, I came to know our Mummy, Evangelist Ambassador Opadiran, who is part of the Women's Wing Christian Council of Nigeria, of which my denomination, the African Church, is one of the member bodies. That same month, we travelled to Ghana together, representing my church. It was there that she introduced Laughing Women to me, and I joined the organisation and became a regular member, following the team to evangelise in rural areas and villages.

During one of the programmes, Mama introduced two elderly women from my church to Laughing Women, and they have since been given monthly financial support. I continue to pray for them, that they will keep moving forward in Jesus Christ. Kudos to all the organisers throughout the world — we will not miss the Kingdom of God. Amen.

Long live the founder of Laughing Women. Long live Mummy Opadiran. Long live Laughing Women. Long live Kwara State.

DAME EVANG. ADEOKUN
Member

214 MEETING ME AT MY POINT OF NEED AS A SINGLE MOTHER

God Almighty is always using the Laughing Women programmes to meet me at the point of my need, as a single mother. Ambassador Modupe Opadiran, who is the representative of the programme here in Ilorin, is always delivering and making us laugh — the programme will not die. Long live Laughing Women, long live Ambassador Modupe Opadiran.

HELEN OLUSHOLA
Member, Ilorin

215 STRENGTHENED BY HER EXAMPLE OF WORSHIP

The December programme was my first time meeting Ambassador Modupe Opadiran, and I saw the grace of God in her life. Despite her age, Mama was on her feet for up to an hour, dancing and worshipping God, and it truly helped and strengthened me in my Children's Ministry. I pray for more of God's grace upon her, to influence even more lives. Ambassador Modupe Opadiran, may you continue to enjoy the presence of God and His ministering angels in your life, in Jesus' merciful name.

MRS ADENIJI FLORENCE
Member, Ilorin

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216 A MODEL OF CARE AND HUMANITARIANISM

The Laughing Women Charity Organisation is a phenomenon that has made a great impact within its chosen constituency. Under the able leadership of Ambassador Evangelist Mrs Juliana Modupe Opadiran, the organisation has grown to meet the financial and physical needs and aspirations of many widows, orphans, the needy and the less privileged in our society. Today, the charitable activities of Laughing Women have created an indelible mark and stand as a model of care, humanitarianism and succour to many people, in our churches and mosques, in other charity organisations and homes, and, by extension, the general public.

As we join in the 10th year anniversary celebrations, our candid prayer is that the Laughing Women Foundation will enjoy many more glorious years in the service of God and humanity.

ADEBAYO ADEDEJI
Member, Ilorin

217 BRINGING SMILES TO PATIENTS IN ILORIN'S HOSPITALS

The Laughing Women Ministry in Ilorin, under the leadership of Ambassador Modupe Opadiran, has made an impact in the lives of many sick people. The ministry has visited, prayed with, and shared items with patients at both the University of Ilorin Teaching Hospital and Omolola Hospital, at different times, bringing smiles to their faces.

DR MRS OMOLOLA
Member, Ilorin

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218 FREE BIBLE CALENDARS: A SIMPLE GIFT, A LASTING REMINDER

We give all glory and thanks to God for the opportunity given to the Laughing Women Ministry to freely distribute Bible Society of Nigeria (BSN) calendars to women, families and members of the community in Kwara State.

This free calendar distribution has been a blessing, and a wonderful way to connect with people and share encouragement with them. What may appear to be a simple calendar has become a useful reminder of God's goodness, faithfulness and care throughout the year. Many of the women who received the calendars expressed appreciation and joy — the calendars have helped them organise their daily activities, remember important dates and keep their plans in order, with a Bible passage for each day to help them move closer to their Creator. Beyond its practical usefulness, each calendar serves as a reminder that every new day and every new month is a gift from God.

We are grateful for the opportunity to put something useful into people's hands at no cost. Through this simple act of giving, we are demonstrating love, kindness and the spirit of generosity, and we sincerely appreciate everyone who supported this initiative — your generosity has enabled the Laughing Women Ministry to reach more people and bring smiles to their faces. We are proud of our ambassador in Kwara State, Mrs Opadiran, for her selfless work and encouragement to the women during the outreach programme.

Our prayer is that God will continue to bless this ministry, enlarge our capacity to give, and use every outreach to touch lives positively. To God be all the glory for His faithfulness!
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ADEBAYO ADEDEJI
Member, Ilorin

219 TUITION FEES PAID FOR MY CHILDREN

I want to use this opportunity to thank God, Laughing Women Ministry and Ambassador Modupe Opadiran for the payment of my children's tuition fees. May the Lord Almighty continue to bless the Laughing Women Ministry and Ambassador Modupe Opadiran, long life and good health to Ambassador Modupe Opadiran and to Laughing Women Ministry. Amen.

ALHAJI BELLO MURITALA
Member, Ilorin

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FEEDING A NATION: REFLECTIONS FROM THE LUSAKA FEEDING PROGRAMME

I would like to thank God for the feeding programme of Laughing Women, which was conducted in Lusaka, Zambia, for seven days. My spirit was lifted, and I was encouraged, because as an organisation, the word of God was being put into practice. In Matthew 7:24-25, after teaching on many subjects, Jesus said: "Therefore everyone who hears these words of mine and puts them into practice is like a wise man who built his house on the rock. The rain came down, the streams rose, and the winds blew and beat against that house, yet it did not fall." The streams that rose and the winds that blew represent the problems that can come upon individual members of the organisation, its leaders, its founder, and the organisation itself. Their commitment to practising what the word of God says will make the organisation stand strong in the face of trials, tribulations and troubles of every kind.

Isaiah 58:6-7 asks: "Is not this the kind of fasting I have chosen: to loose the chains of injustice and untie the cords of the yoke, to set the oppressed free and break every yoke... Is it not to share your food with the hungry?" The nation of Zambia has been hit by a very difficult economic season, and as such, very few families can afford three decent meals a day; many families are depending on just one. The provision of a cooked meal to taxi drivers, construction workers and passers-by was a welcome move, supported by many, who wished the programme could have continued.

In His ministry, after preaching the good news and healing the people, Jesus asked, "Where shall we buy bread for these people to eat?" **(John 6:5).** And in Luke 9:13, He replied, "You give them something to eat." Therefore, our ministry to the people should touch man in his totality, spirit, soul and body.

MILDRED NJAMBA
Member, Lusaka, Zambia

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221 CELEBRATING GOD'S FAITHFULNESS THROUGH LAUGHING WOMEN MINISTRY

I am a testimonies of God mercies and faithfulness in spreading and propagating the usefulness of Laughing Women Ministry by Ambassador Modupe Opadiran.

The needy, widows, widower and orphanage children have learned through her experience emphasizing the important of prayer, obedience and the guidance of the holy spirit are essential business in every aspect of ministries. She has been able to establish various prayer platforms that enable young and old to involve me in the spreading of laughing women ministry. Through her loving kindness, she enlightens them, the young and old to know the integrity of God's word and God commitment in the laughing women ministry. She also taught them that Jesus Christ is the personality behind the work of the ministries. As it was mentioned in the Holy Bible. Do you see a man or woman delight in his or her duties, he or she shall dine with kings, not with mean men or women. These are words from the Holy Scriptures; and they apply so aptly to Ambassador Modupe Opadiran.

Your ministry laughing women ministry has been a blessing and positive impact. You have not let Christ down in your ministry among human race of which were I am a witness and for this, I praised the lord. May God continue to pour out abundant grace upon the leadership of laughing women ministry for even greater exploits in Jesus name.Amen.

Furthermore, through Ambassador modupe Opadiran smiles light up the faces of men, women, old, and young, widows and widower and children who are beneficiaries of laughing women ministry (LWM).

Finally, I am grateful for the opportunity to have witnessed and experienced this inspiring ministry through Ambassador modupe Opadiran, I commend every member and volunteer who contributes to its work and I look forward to seeing the laughing women ministry (LWM) reach more people and make a greater impact in the years ahead.

Apostle O.O Ogungbe
Member, Ilorin, Nigeria

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From the Founder, Laughing Women

222 FROM MY TEARS, GOD BIRTHED A MINISTRY

There was a season of my life when it felt as though one painful event was following another, without giving me time to recover from the one before it. It remains one of the darkest periods I have ever experienced. Someone very close to me had died from cancer, my sister had lost her first child, my mother had been diagnosed with Parkinson's disease, and there were other painful situations affecting people I loved. In the middle of everything, I also narrowly escaped what could have been a fatal carbon monoxide poisoning. I was grieving, frightened, exhausted and trying to understand why so much was happening at the same time.

What made that season even more difficult was that some people could not believe that one person could experience so many challenges in such a short period. I remember even hearing suggestions within the church community that perhaps I had offended God or was living in sin because surely all these things could not simply be happening to one person. When you are already hurting, words like those can deepen the pain. There were moments when the reactions of people around me caused me to question myself and even examine my faith. I wondered what I had done wrong and why God seemed to be allowing so much to happen.

I had to learn how to wait on God when I did not understand Him. I had to continue praying when circumstances did not appear to be changing and continue believing when there was very little around me that made sense. I remember the Holy Spirit reassuring me not to become consumed by what people were saying, but to keep going and keep trusting God. I did not know how He was going to bring me through that season, but somehow He began to do exactly that. Gradually, what had looked like a life surrounded by tragedy became a testimony of recovery, restoration and grace.
My greatest testimony from that period is not that I suddenly received answers to every question. It is that God brought me through. He restored me emotionally and spiritually, strengthened my faith and allowed me to experience dimensions of His grace and sustaining power that I might never have understood otherwise. I can say today with complete gratitude that I am a product of grace. I know what it is to experience deep pain, but I also know what it is to discover that pain does not have to have the final word.

It was out of that experience that Laughing Women was born. I sensed God calling me to go out and reach women and others who were living with tears in their eyes and pain in their hearts, and to help bring them back to Him. The very places in which I had experienced grief became places from which I could understand the suffering of others. I could recognise the woman who was smiling publicly while struggling privately because I understood what it meant to continue functioning while carrying pain that other people could not see.

What began from my own journey of recovery gradually became a ministry of restoration, prayer, compassion and practical support. God took something that could have destroyed me and allowed it to become a channel through which other lives could be touched. Over the years, Laughing Women has grown beyond anything I could have imagined when the journey began. The ministry has now reached people across many countries and, to the glory of God, has impacted more than 250,000 lives through its different programmes, outreaches, prayer initiatives and acts of service.

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When I look at Laughing Women today, I sometimes think about the woman I was during that difficult season. I could never have imagined that God would use those experiences as part of the foundation for a ministry that would eventually reach thousands of people. What I saw then as a period I simply needed to survive, God was able to redeem and use for a purpose far greater than my pain. This testimony has taught me that our darkest seasons do not necessarily represent the end of our story. Sometimes we cannot understand what God is doing while we are walking through them, and we should never minimise the reality of grief or pretend that pain does not hurt. Yet my life has shown me that God can meet us in those places, restore what has been wounded and bring purpose from experiences we once thought had only taken something from us.

I remain deeply grateful that God brought me through that season, but I am equally grateful that He did not allow my recovery to end with me. Every life touched through Laughing Women reminds me that He was able to take my tears and turn them into compassion for the tears of others. What began in one of the most painful chapters of my life has become one of the greatest testimonies of His grace. I am indeed a product of grace, and to God alone be all the glory.

223 BUILDING A COMPANY FROM A WORD

I still remember when God first placed the company in my heart. I had no office full of people, no large amount of money waiting to fund the vision and certainly no clear blueprint showing me how everything would come together. I simply had a word from God and a strong conviction that He was asking me to build something that would reach beyond me: a company focused on consulting, training and talent development, with the potential to work across the world. I remember thinking about the enormity of it and wondering, Where do I even start?

Around that same period, we were having seven days of prayer, and one of the instructions was to bring our plans before God. I remember bringing the plans for the company before Him and praying over them. It was a very personal moment because I was placing before God something I believed He had given me, while knowing that I did not yet have everything required to make it happen. I was going to become the Chief Executive Officer of a company, and that was not child's play. There were decisions to make, structures to build, people to bring together, finances to find and responsibilities I had never carried at that level before.

The early years were extremely challenging. Building the company required far more than simply having a vision. There were periods when we did not have the finances we needed, and building the right team was difficult. Sometimes we were learning as we went along and trying to understand what worked and what did not. There were moments when the size of the vision seemed completely disproportionate to what we had in our hands. I could see what I believed the company could become, but I could not always see the practical route for getting there.

During that season, I held closely to the assurance of God that He would make a way where there seemed to be no way. Isaiah 43:19 became particularly meaningful to me: "I will make a way in the wilderness and rivers in the desert." There were many occasions when that was exactly how the journey felt. I could not necessarily see the next opportunity, the next provision or even the next person we needed, but somehow a way continued to open.

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The company did not become what it is today overnight. It was built gradually through prayer, persistence, learning, mistakes, difficult decisions and many moments of simply refusing to give up. There were times when I questioned how we would move forward, but God continued to bring people, opportunities and ideas into the journey. What once existed largely as a vision and a prayer gradually developed into an organisation with people working together across different areas and countries. Today, when I look at what God has enabled us to build, I am deeply grateful. From those uncertain beginnings, the organisation has grown to a team of more than 30 people working across different parts of the world. We have been privileged to undertake work that I could not have imagined when I first brought that plan before God. We have developed people, created opportunities, worked with organisations and continued to expand the vision into areas that were not visible to me at the beginning.

This testimony continually reminds me that God does not always give us the complete blueprint before asking us to begin. Sometimes He gives us enough light for the first step and expects us to trust Him for the next one. If I had waited until I had sufficient finances, the perfect team, complete knowledge and certainty about every aspect of running the organisation, I might never have started.

When I look at the company today, I do not see only a business. I see evidence of God's faithfulness. I remember the days when we did not know exactly what we were doing, the financial struggles, the difficulty of building a team and the moments when the vision seemed almost impossible. Those memories make what God has done even more meaningful.

There is still much more ahead, and I believe the vision continues to unfold, but I remain grateful for how far God has already brought us. What started with a word, a plan placed before God during prayer and a willingness to begin has grown beyond what I could have achieved by myself. For every person He has brought, every door He has opened, every provision He has made and every life we have been privileged to impact through the work, I give God all the glory. He truly made a way where I could not see a way.

224 GOD MADE A WAY — MY DOCTORAL JOURNEY

My journey towards earning my doctorate began with a simple instruction from God. One morning during prayer, I sensed the Lord telling me very clearly to go back to school and pursue a doctorate. I remember sensing Him say that He was taking me somewhere and that I would need it for where He was taking me. At the time, I did not fully understand what that meant. I had not mapped out a doctoral journey, I did not know which university I would attend, and I certainly did not know how I would finance it. All I had was an instruction, and I decided to respond in obedience.

I began researching universities and programmes, and eventually my search led me to Warwick Business School at the University of Warwick. It was an outstanding institution and the opportunity seemed much bigger than me, but I applied. I still remember receiving the telephone call inviting me for an interview. Following the interview, I received a conditional offer and was eventually accepted onto the programme as one of only 21 people in my cohort. That alone was a significant testimony for me, but I would soon discover that gaining admission was only the beginning of the journey.

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One of the greatest challenges was paying the fees. The cost of the doctorate was extremely high and, looking at my normal earnings and responsibilities, there were many occasions when I simply could not see how the next payment would be made. Yet, somehow, God consistently made provision. It was not always comfortable and it was certainly not predictable, but each time I needed a way forward, something happened that enabled me to continue.

There was a particularly difficult period when I could not pay my outstanding fees and the university stopped me from continuing with my studies. It was devastating because I knew how the journey had started. I believed God had instructed me to pursue the doctorate, yet I had reached a point where the practical reality seemed to contradict the promise. There were numerous complications throughout the programme and, by my recollection, I was removed and reinstated around ten times because of different issues surrounding the journey. Every time it appeared that the door had finally closed, something happened that allowed me to continue. Looking back, there are parts of that journey that I still cannot explain simply through human effort.

The academic journey itself was equally demanding. Completing a doctorate requires enormous discipline, resilience and intellectual stamina, and there were periods when I struggled deeply with the research and writing. At one stage, I spent almost six months wrestling with how to bring a particular part of my thesis together. I would make progress, reconsider it, rewrite it and sometimes feel as though I was back where I had started. There were moments of frustration when I genuinely did not know how I was going to complete the work. However, I continued, trusting that the God who had instructed me to begin the journey would give me the grace to finish it.

What makes this testimony particularly meaningful to me is that despite the financial difficulties, academic challenges and repeated interruptions, I completed the doctorate and became approximately the seventh person in my cohort to graduate. By January 2022, the journey was complete and I became Dr Ona Newton. When I look back at everything that happened between that morning of prayer and the completion of my doctorate, I know that the glory belongs to God.

This experience taught me something I have carried with me ever since: when God gives an instruction, we should not measure its possibility solely by the resources we have in our hands at that moment. When He told me to pursue a doctorate, I did not have all the money required, I did not understand all the challenges ahead, and I could not see how everything would come together. God saw the complete journey when I could only see the first step.

Years later, I understand more clearly why that instruction mattered. The doctorate has become part of the preparation for many of the places God has subsequently allowed me to enter and the work He has enabled me to do. What began as an instruction that I did not fully understand became another reminder that God can prepare us today for places He already knows we will occupy tomorrow.

My doctorate therefore represents much more to me than an academic qualification. It reminds me of obedience when I did not have all the answers, provision when my own resources were insufficient, perseverance when the journey became difficult, and above all, the faithfulness of God. There were many opportunities for me not to finish, but God carried me through every stage until what He had started was completed.

For this testimony, and for the privilege of seeing His word fulfilled in my life, I give God all the glory. Thank You, Jesus.

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225 FROM ONE BOOK TO ALMOST 200

Long before I ever thought of myself as an author, God had already begun speaking to me about writing. This was more than ten years ago, even before Laughing Women began. I would pray and repeatedly sense the same thing: books, books and more books. It was as though God was showing me that writing would become an important part of my assignment, although at the time I could not possibly have imagined the extent of what He was saying. I did not see myself becoming a prolific author. I simply knew that God kept drawing my attention to books.

The journey towards my first book became particularly significant while I was in Boston in the United States. I had travelled there in connection with a ministry engagement, but during that period I had a frightening dream in which I heard a voice suggesting that I was in serious trouble and that I was going to die. The experience frightened me deeply, and I remember seeking God earnestly and asking Him to help me because I did not want fear to take control of my mind.

As I prayed, Psalm 21:11 became a powerful word of reassurance to me: "Though they plot evil against you and devise wicked schemes, they cannot succeed." I held on to those words. Whatever the dream represented, I chose to believe that fear would not determine the outcome of my life. I sensed God reassuring me that I was going to be all right and that what He had purposed for my life would stand. In the middle of that experience, the Holy Spirit began directing me back towards something God had been speaking to me about for years: writing.

Writing became a way of taking what I was experiencing, what God was teaching me and what I had learnt through different seasons of my life and turning it into something that could strengthen another person. I wanted to tell real stories that would help people understand the love and grace of God and remind someone walking through a difficult season that they were not alone. There are many people carrying fear, disappointment, uncertainty and pain, and sometimes hearing how someone else encountered God in a similar place gives us the courage to keep going. I remember sitting down with my own pain, experiences, prayers and lessons and beginning to put them into words. It was not simply an intellectual exercise. There was something deeply personal about taking experiences that could have remained private struggles and allowing God to use them to encourage somebody else. Eventually, in 2024, I launched my first book. Holding that book was particularly meaningful because I remembered how many years earlier God had begun speaking to me about writing. What had once been only a repeated impression in prayer had become something I could physically hold in my hands.

What happened afterwards still amazes me. One book became another, and another, and the writing continued. The scope also became much broader than I originally imagined. I began writing not only faith-based books but also books for children and young people, as well as professional and developmental books covering sustainability, artificial intelligence, strategy, leadership, entrepreneurship, careers and personal development. Ideas continued to come, and I continued to write.

Today, I have written almost 200 books. When I consider that number, I do not simply think about productivity; I think about the faithfulness of God and the journey from hearing "books" in prayer many years ago to seeing an entire body of work emerge. I could never have understood the scale of it when the instruction first came. God saw something in me that I had not yet seen in myself.

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Becoming an author has taught me that sometimes an assignment can be present in our lives long before we recognise its full significance. God may place an idea in our hearts repeatedly, and for a time it may appear that very little is happening. Yet when the right season comes, what He has planted can begin to unfold in ways we never anticipated.

I am grateful for every book God has enabled me to write and for every person, young or old, who has been encouraged, educated or strengthened through those words. From hearing God speak to me about books many years ago, to writing that first manuscript through a difficult personal season, to almost 200 books today, I can only see the hand and faithfulness of God. To Him alone be all the glory.

226 WHEN GOD ASKED ME TO RAISE OTHER AUTHORS

I still remember the moment I sensed God saying to me, "You are going to help people write and publish their own books." My immediate thought was almost, Lord, how am I going to do that? I knew what it had taken for me to find my own voice, wrestle with my ideas, sit through the difficult days of writing and eventually see my words become books. But helping somebody else do it was completely different. I had never taken another person from an idea in their heart to a finished, published book. Yet there was something about that instruction that touched me deeply. I began thinking about all the people carrying stories they had never told, books they had postponed for years and messages that perhaps God had given them but fear had kept hidden. I knew what it felt like to carry words inside you, and suddenly I felt an enormous desire to help other people release theirs.

It was exciting, but it was also frightening. There was no long history of successful authors I could point to and say, "Look at all the people I have already helped." I had my own writing experience, my faith and what I believed God had asked me to do. That was where I had to begin.

So I did something very simple. I put out an advertisement asking whether anyone wanted to write and publish a book and invited people to join me for a writing masterclass. When I pressed ahead with it, I genuinely did not know what the response would be. Then people responded, and two individuals decided to trust me enough to take the journey with me. Suddenly, the word I had received from God had names and faces attached to it. These were real people placing their stories, ideas and dreams in my hands, and I felt the weight of that responsibility.

I began asking myself how I could take everything I had learnt through my own writing journey and turn it into a process that could help somebody else. I quickly realised that helping someone become an author was not simply about teaching them how to write chapters. For many people, the first work has to happen in the mind. They have to overcome the belief that they cannot write, that their story is not important enough, that they are not qualified enough or that they will never finish.

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As I began working with them, I prayed and depended heavily on the Holy Spirit, whom I have come to regard as my Senior Partner in the work God has given me. Gradually, ideas began to develop around how I could support people through the entire journey: clarifying what they wanted to say, developing the structure of the book, finding their authentic voice, overcoming the barriers that had prevented them from writing and then having the discipline to continue until the manuscript was complete. What started as something I had never done before began to take shape.

Watching those first participants develop their books has been incredibly rewarding. These were no longer simply ideas being discussed in a masterclass; manuscripts were being written and authors were emerging. To the glory of God, one of those books has now been published, and another is moving towards publication in the coming months. Seeing someone hold a book that once existed only as an idea is difficult to describe. I understand that feeling because I remember what it meant to hold my own first book, and now God has given me the privilege of helping somebody else experience it.

This testimony has reminded me that sometimes God develops something in our lives because He eventually intends us to help somebody else develop it in theirs. My years of writing were not only producing books; they were giving me experience, lessons and processes that could later be used to serve other aspiring authors. What I thought was simply my personal journey was also preparation.

I believe this is only the beginning. There are people carrying books that could encourage someone through grief, teach the next generation, preserve an important story, share years of professional wisdom or reveal what God has done in a life. Some of those books have been waiting for years because their authors keep saying, "I will write it one day." I now understand that part of my assignment is to help some of those people turn "one day" into a finished book.

Perhaps you are reading my testimony and you are one of them. Perhaps there is a book you have been thinking about for years, a story you keep postponing or a message that refuses to leave your heart. You may not know how to begin, and you may not yet consider yourself a writer. I understand that place. My own journey began with God repeatedly speaking to me about books long before I could see what He intended to do with that instruction.

So my invitation to you is simple: do not allow fear, perfectionism or uncertainty to bury what God has placed inside you. Begin. Write the first page. Tell the story. Give the idea room to grow. You do not need to see the entire journey before taking the first step. If God has genuinely placed something in your heart to write, trust Him to help you develop the discipline, courage and wisdom to bring it to life.

I started this journey without knowing exactly how I would help another person become an author. Today, I have watched people who once carried only an idea become authors with real books bearing their names. That is why I am excited about what comes next. There are still stories waiting to be written, voices waiting to be heard and books waiting to be born. If one of them is yours, perhaps it is time to start writing. To God alone be all the glory.

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227 FROM A PROMISE TO THE NATION

I can still remember the feeling when God began speaking to me about taking Laughing Women across the world. I looked at my life, looked at what we had, and then considered the size of what I believed God was saying, and I laughed. It was not a laugh of disrespect; it was the kind of laugh that comes when something sounds so far beyond your present reality that you cannot imagine how the two will ever meet. Like Sarah hearing a promise that seemed humanly impossible, part of me was saying, Lord, how can this possibly happen? How can I take this ministry across the world?

At that time, there was nothing around me that looked like a global ministry. There was no international infrastructure, no enormous financial backing, no network stretching across nations and no detailed plan showing me how we would move from one country to another. I was simply a woman carrying a word from God and trying to find the courage to believe that what He had shown me could actually happen. There were days when the vision excited me and other days when its size frightened me. I could see my limitations far more clearly than I could see the road ahead.

What I remember most, however, is how patiently the Holy Spirit continued to reassure me. Whenever my mind began listing all the reasons it could not happen, He would bring me back to the promise. Whenever I felt inadequate, something would rise again in my spirit saying, Keep going. I did not receive the entire map at once. I received enough reassurance to take the next step, and then enough grace to take another.

The journey that followed was not always easy. There were beautiful moments, but there were also lonely ones. There were times when travelling, organising ministry activities, finding resources and carrying the responsibility of the vision became stressful. There were moments of tiredness and uncertainty when I wondered whether I really had the capacity to continue. Yet one of the greatest gifts God has given me throughout this journey has been the presence of the Holy Spirit. Whenever doubt became louder than my conviction, He somehow brought me back to what God had said, strengthened me again and gave me the courage to continue.

Then, little by little, something extraordinary began to happen. The promise started acquiring names, faces and places. Countries that had once been distant points on a map became places where God allowed us to serve. By His grace, the Laughing Women journey has reached Nigeria, Sierra Leone, Ghana, Eswatini, South Africa, Uganda, Zambia, the United States, the United Kingdom, Botswana, Mozambique, Italy, Jamaica, Canada, Pakistan, Australia, India and Zimbabwe, with the journey also extending to the Philippines and China. Sometimes I look at those countries and think back to the woman who laughed when God first spoke. What I could not work out, God was already working out.

Every country carries its own memories. Behind every journey were flights, airports, unfamiliar roads, people I had never met before, arrangements that needed to come together and circumstances that could easily have gone differently. This is why I never want to take travelling grace for granted. I thank God for every aircraft that carried me safely, every journey on the road, every border crossed without incident and every destination from which He brought me safely home. I thank Him for protecting me from dangers I knew about and those I never saw.

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I also thank God for divine navigation and alignment. There were places where I did not know the right people, yet somehow God connected me with those who could help. There were occasions when I did not know how something would happen, but provision came. There were moments when plans changed and circumstances became difficult, yet somehow another way opened. Again and again, I have watched God position people, resources and opportunities at precisely the right time.
What touches me most is remembering the beginning. I once laughed because the promise sounded too big. Today, I have travelled across nations and watched Laughing Women touch lives and communities far beyond where we started. What seemed impossible to me was never impossible to God. He already knew the people we would meet, the countries we would enter and the lives that would be touched before I ever boarded the first flight.

Over the past ten years, Laughing Women has grown into a ministry reaching and impacting more than 250,000 people across countries and communities. Behind those numbers are real people: women who needed encouragement, families who needed practical support, children who needed hope, communities that needed help and people who simply needed to know that somebody cared. That is what makes every journey worthwhile.

My testimony is therefore not simply that I have travelled to many countries. My testimony is that God took a promise that once made me laugh and allowed me to live long enough to begin seeing it fulfilled. He has preserved me, protected me, provided for me, guided me and continually realigned me with the assignment whenever I became tired or uncertain.

There are still more countries to enter, more communities to serve and more lives to reach. But something in me has changed. I no longer laugh because the vision seems impossible; I smile because I have seen what God can do. I have watched Him turn a word into a journey, a journey into nations and those nations into lives touched for His glory.

For every flight, every safe arrival, every open door, every divine connection and every life touched, I give God all the glory. The God who took us from a word to the nations will take us even further. By His grace, we will keep going wherever He sends us. In Jesus' name. Amen.

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228 THE DAY THE CHILDREN ENCOUNTERED THE HOLY SPIRIT

There are some ministry experiences that remain so vivid in my memory that I can still picture where I was, what was happening around me and how I felt in that moment. One of those experiences happened during an outreach to a local village community in Abuja, Nigeria. We had gone there simply wanting to serve, pray with people and share the love of God. A local church generously allowed us to use its building for the gathering, and many of those who came were women and children. We arrived expecting to minister, but none of us knew that we were about to witness something I would never forget.

What we did not initially understand was that this particular church did not practise or encourage some of the expressions of the Holy Spirit that were familiar to us. We had not gone there intending to challenge anyone's doctrine or church tradition; we were simply grateful for the opportunity to serve the community. However, shortly after arriving, I felt very strongly that the Holy Spirit wanted me to teach about Him. I remember telling my team, "The Holy Spirit wants us to talk about the Holy Spirit." So that was what I began to do.

As I ministered, I sensed the presence of God becoming increasingly strong. Then I received a very specific conviction in my spirit: the Holy Spirit was going to come upon the gathering in a powerful way, and He was going to use the children. I did not know what that would look like. These were children and young people, some as young as five, who had not been exposed to teaching or ministry about the Holy Spirit in the way we were sharing it that day. Yet I felt strongly that God was about to give them a personal experience of His presence.

In the middle of the meeting, however, everything could have stopped. One of the pastors approached a member of my team and urgently told her that we could not continue in this way. He explained that this kind of ministry was not permitted within their church tradition and that he could get into serious trouble. My team member brought him to me, and I could see that his concern was genuine. I did not want to disrespect him or the church that had generously opened its doors to us, but I also knew what I believed the Holy Spirit had instructed me to do.

I looked at him and said, "Okay, I understand. I will tell the Holy Spirit that you have asked me to stop."
Immediately he responded, "No, don't do that."

That moment has stayed with me. I asked him, "Then what do you want me to do?" I explained that I had not come with a personal agenda and I was not trying to impose something on his church. I was simply following what I believed the Holy Spirit had instructed me to do. If he wanted us to stop, I would stop and take the matter back to God.

There was a moment of decision, and then he said, "Carry on."
Those two words changed the rest of the meeting.

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We continued ministering, and shortly afterwards the children began to respond. What followed was unlike anything we had planned or prepared. Children from approximately five years old through to teenagers around seventeen began praying intensely. Many began speaking in tongues, some for the first time in their lives. They became completely absorbed in prayer and, as we experienced it, overwhelmed by the presence of the Holy Spirit. No one had coached them, rehearsed this with them or instructed them to copy what somebody else was doing. For many of them, this was their first direct exposure to teaching about the Holy Spirit, yet they were responding with an intensity that astonished those of us watching.
It continued for close to an hour.

At some point, there was very little for me to do except stand and watch. The children were praying continuously, voices rising throughout the building as one child after another became caught up in the experience. Some were very young, yet their concentration and intensity were remarkable. The adults watched, members of my team watched, and the atmosphere in the building became completely different from the one we had entered. What I had sensed earlier—that the Holy Spirit would move powerfully and would use the children—appeared to be unfolding before my eyes.

What affected me most was the innocence of the children. They knew nothing about the theological differences surrounding what had almost caused the meeting to stop. They were not debating denominations, doctrines or traditions. They were simply children encountering God in a way that was new to them. I remember looking around that room and being overwhelmed myself because I knew that I could not have manufactured what I was witnessing.

I have often thought about the pastor since that day. He could easily have insisted that we stop, and we would have respected his authority in the church. Instead, at a critical moment, he gave us permission to continue. He too then became a witness to what happened among those children. His simple words, "Carry on," opened the door for the meeting to continue and for us all to witness something none of us had anticipated.

That experience remains one of the most powerful moments of my ministry journey. It reminded me that while preparation, programmes and organisation are important, there are moments when we simply have to recognise that something greater than our programme is taking place. That day, I went into a village community believing that we were going there to minister to women and children. I left deeply ministered to myself.

Years later, I can still remember the sound of those children praying. Whenever I think about that day, I do not think first about what I preached. I think about what happened after we almost stopped. I think about a pastor who finally said, "Carry on," and a room filled with children encountering the Holy Spirit for themselves.
I witnessed it, I will never forget it, and I give God alone all the glory.

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229 FOUR COUNTRIES IN ONE YEAR

At the beginning of 2026, if someone had shown me everything God would enable us to accomplish across four countries in such a short period, I might have wondered how it was all going to happen. International ministry requires much more than getting on an aeroplane. There are people to coordinate, programmes to organise, finances to find, journeys to plan and countless details that have to come together. Yet this year, God opened the doors for Laughing Women to expand into Botswana, Mozambique and Eswatini, while also re-establishing our work and relationships in South Africa. When I consider what it took to reach all four countries, I can only say that it was the grace of God.

South Africa was particularly meaningful because we had been there before, but over time the earlier connection had faded. Sometimes in ministry, a door does not necessarily close completely; the relationship simply becomes quiet and you do not know whether that chapter will ever reopen. Yet God brought South Africa back into the journey and allowed us to reconnect and begin again. Alongside that restoration came new doors into Botswana, Mozambique and Eswatini. It felt as though God was not only expanding the ministry but also restoring something that had previously become dormant.

I remember preparing for the journey and sensing the Lord saying to me, "There is going to be a divine encounter." I held on to those words because, as much as I believed God, my mind was still doing what the mind sometimes does. I thought about the distances we would travel, the finances required, the responsibility for the team and all the things that could potentially go wrong. There is a difference between seeing four countries written neatly on an itinerary and actually travelling for hours across those countries, carrying an assignment and trusting God for every stage of the journey.

There were moments when I genuinely did not know how everything was going to come together. Yet we went.
We travelled long distances with the team, moving across countries and communities, and God continually showed Himself faithful. He provided what we needed, guided us through unfamiliar places, protected us throughout the journeys and connected us with people who became part of the assignment. Things that had looked complicated during the planning stage began to fall into place as we moved forward. Once again, I was reminded that sometimes you do not see all the provision before you begin; you encounter it while you are walking in obedience.

What happened during those visits went far beyond simply adding four countries to a ministry record. There were genuine encounters with God. We saw people respond in ways that deeply moved us, and some of those who participated were still speaking about what they had experienced long after we had left. Those moments reminded me why the travelling, planning, sacrifice and uncertainty mattered. We had not crossed borders simply to say that Laughing Women had entered another country. We had gone because there were people on the other side of those borders whom God wanted us to reach.
One of the most humbling moments came when the journey was over and I found myself returning home safely. I thought about everything that had concerned me before we left and compared it with everything God had done. We had travelled for hours, crossed borders, entered unfamiliar territories, ministered to people, completed the assignments and returned safely. The things I had worried about had not been greater than the God who sent us.

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As I looked back over the journey, the words God had spoken before we left came back to me: "There is going to be a divine encounter." Now I understood those words differently because I was no longer standing at the beginning wondering what they meant. I was standing on the other side of the journey having witnessed their fulfilment. We had encountered God in the provision, in the protection, in the people He connected us with and, most importantly, in the lives He touched. What had begun as a word had become something we had experienced.

That moment humbled me deeply. I realised again that I do not need to understand everything God says before I obey Him. Sometimes faith means leaving with a promise and returning with a testimony. I left wondering how four countries, the finances, the travelling and the ministry would all come together. I returned knowing that the God who sends is also the God who sustains.

Botswana, South Africa, Mozambique and Eswatini will therefore always mean more to me than four additional countries. They are four reminders that God still fulfils His word. They remind me that He can restore an old door, open a new one, provide where there appears to be insufficiency, protect us through unfamiliar territory and prepare hearts before we ever arrive.

And perhaps that is the greatest testimony of this journey: we went not knowing exactly how everything would work, but we came back knowing again exactly who God is. When I think about the long roads, the borders we crossed, the people we met, the lives that were touched and the fact that every member of the team returned safely, gratitude overwhelms me. The same God who said there would be a divine encounter went ahead of us and allowed us to experience one.

So I close this testimony with the words that remain in my heart: Lord, You did exactly what You said You would do. You took us there. You provided for us. You protected us. You met Your people. You brought us home. And if You send us again, we will go again.

Four countries. One journey. Countless encounters. All the glory belongs to God. Hallelujah!

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One of the things God has repeatedly taught me through Laughing Women is that His instructions do not always arrive with everything already in place. Sometimes He tells you what to do and asks you to trust Him enough to begin. In 2026, this became very real again when I sensed God instructing us to feed approximately 60 people every day for about six weeks.

I remember bringing the leadership team together and explaining what I believed God was asking us to do. Almost immediately, the practical questions began. How much would this cost? How would we sustain it for six weeks? The team began working through the figures, and when the budget started taking shape, the scale of the commitment became very clear. Their concerns were understandable. We did not want to begin something and discover halfway through that we could not finish it.

Even I began thinking cautiously. Perhaps we could start smaller, feed a few people first and gradually increase the numbers. That seemed sensible, but the instruction I sensed from God was much clearer than my cautious plan. In my spirit, it was almost as though He said, "Go and find the people who need to be fed. Sit them down, and I will provide."

That instruction challenged me because I wanted certainty before commitment. I wanted to know exactly how everything would work before asking people to sit down. Yet I felt God asking me to trust Him differently. We still needed a budget, good planning and responsible stewardship, but we could not allow uncertainty to stop us from responding to a genuine need.

I went back to the team and said, "Let us start." And we did. Day after day, people were fed. What had initially looked overwhelming became something we were actually doing, and watching people receive a meal reminded me that behind every budget line was a human being who needed to eat. As I reflected on what was happening, I realised that I had seen this pattern before. In 2024, God placed the Shoe Projecton our hearts with an initial vision to provide 1,000 pairs of shoes for children. One thousand pairs seemed enormous when we started, but we took the first step. Today, we have gone beyond that original target and thousands of shoes have reached children who needed them.

Then, in 2025, came the programme focused on supporting girls. The instruction was simple: help the girl child. We started with what we could do and continued building. What began as an act of obedience has since reached thousands of girls.
By 2026, when the feeding instruction came, I could look back and recognise something God had already been teaching me. The Shoe Project, the girls' programme and the feeding programme were different assignments, but each required us to move beyond simply discussing a need and actually respond to it.

The feeding programme affected me particularly because hunger is immediate. When someone is hungry, tomorrow's strategy cannot replace today's meal. Seeing people sitting down and eating brought me back to those words I had sensed so clearly: "Go and find the people who need to be fed. Sit them down." What had initially been an instruction in prayer had become real people around real tables receiving real meals.

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These three projects have also taught me something important about leadership and faith. Trusting God does not mean abandoning planning. We calculate, organise, establish teams and take responsibility for what has been entrusted to us. But there comes a point when another spreadsheet will not remove every uncertainty. Sometimes, after we have planned responsibly, we still have to take the first step.

Today, I can look back at three consecutive years and see a remarkable story unfolding: the Shoe Project in 2024, the girls' programme in 2025 and the feeding programme in 2026. Children have received shoes, girls have received support and people who needed food have been able to sit down and eat. Those outcomes mean far more to me than the numbers themselves because every number represents a person.

I am deeply grateful to every person who has given, volunteered, organised, travelled, cooked, distributed, encouraged or worked behind the scenes to make these programmes possible. God has used people, partnerships and many acts of generosity to turn instructions into practical expressions of love.

When I think about these three projects now, I remember how each one looked at the beginning and what has emerged from simply being willing to start. They remind me that I do not always need to see the entire road before taking the first step.
I remember the shoes. I remember the girls. I remember the meals. Most of all, I remember the God who said, "Begin." We began, and lives were touched. To Him alone be all the glory.

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As Laughing Women approached its tenth anniversary, I found myself asking God a very personal question: "Lord, what do You want?" Ten years felt significant to me. There was so much we could have done to celebrate, but I did not simply want to decide what seemed impressive or appropriate. This ministry had begun with God, and I wanted the anniversary to honour Him in the way He wanted to be honoured.

As I prayed, I sensed a very clear and surprisingly simple instruction: "I want you to organise walks for Me across the world." The more I prayed about it, the clearer the picture became. Each walk should have at least ten people. They would wear the same clothing, which eventually became a specially designed T-shirt, and for approximately one hour they would simply walk through their streets and communities praising the name of God. There was no complicated programme. They would walk, worship, engage people they met along the way and invite others to join them.

When I first received the instruction, I could not see how far it would travel. Organising one walk is simple enough, but organising walks across different countries, with different people, locations and teams, is something else entirely. Once again, I had an instruction without knowing exactly what the final picture would look like. We shared the vision and began inviting people to participate.

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Then something beautiful started happening. People responded from different places, and not only those who were already deeply involved with Laughing Women. Some people heard about the walks and simply wanted to be part of them. Individuals who had never previously participated in the ministry put on the T-shirt, gathered others and went out into their streets. In different communities and different countries, people were doing the same simple thing: walking and publicly praising the name of God.

To the glory of God, what began as an instruction in prayer grew to approximately 33 walks across more than 10 countries. When I think about that, I am still amazed. There were groups of people walking in completely different parts of the world, yet they were connected by one assignment. Different streets, different nations, different cultures and different people, but one purpose: to lift up the name of Jesus.

What moved me even more was what began happening around the walks themselves. People on the streets noticed. Some asked questions. Others wanted to know who these people were and what Laughing Women was about. We began receiving feedback that individuals who had seen the walks wanted to become connected to the ministry. Something that seemed so simple was creating conversations and opening doors we could not have planned ourselves.

For me, that became the real testimony. The walks were never simply about numbers or demonstrating how many countries Laughing Women could reach. They became an expression of what the ministry had always been about: ordinary people making themselves available to God and carrying His love beyond the walls of a church building. Nobody needed a platform or microphone. The street became the platform. Their feet became part of the message, and their willingness to go became an act of worship.

I also saw again the extraordinary work of the Holy Spirit. What He had placed in my heart during prayer travelled far beyond me. I could not physically be present at 33 walks across more than 10 countries, nor could I personally organise every detail. People had to hear the vision, embrace it, gather others and carry it within their own communities. Watching that happen reminded me that when an assignment truly belongs to God, He is able to place the same conviction in hearts far beyond the person who first receives it.

There was something particularly meaningful about this happening as we marked ten years of Laughing Women. A ministry that began from my own journey of pain and restoration was now seeing people across nations voluntarily take to the streets to celebrate God. Some of them had never met me. Some had never previously been involved with Laughing Women. Yet for that hour, we were connected by something much greater than ourselves.

When I asked God, "What do You want for ten years?" I did not know His answer would eventually appear on streets across the world. I did not know that approximately 33 groups would walk, that more than 10 countries would participate or that people watching from the streets would begin asking how they too could become part of what God was doing.
I simply asked the question. He gave the instruction. People said yes.

As I look back over these ten years, that is perhaps one of the greatest lessons Laughing Women has taught me. We do not always need something complicated to make an impact. Sometimes God asks for something simple and then breathes upon our obedience in ways we could never manufacture ourselves.

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So when I think about those 33 walks, I do not simply see people wearing the same T-shirt. I see feet walking in obedience. I see streets becoming places of worship. I see people who had never been part of Laughing Women saying yes to an assignment. I see strangers stopping, watching and wanting to know more. Above all, I see the Holy Spirit taking one instruction and carrying it across nations.

Ten years ago, I could never have imagined this journey. Yet here we are, still walking, still reaching, still growing and still discovering that there is so much more God wants to do.

Thirty-three walks. More than ten countries. Hundreds of willing feet. One name lifted above them all: Jesus. For this extraordinary assignment and for ten years of grace, to God alone be all the glory. Hallelujah!

Dr. Ona Newton
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