

Paula's testimony

I had a Christian background, but became an alcoholic at the age of seventeen.

This continued for thirty years and I dipped in and out of faith due to the circumstances over the years. I had numerous suicide attempts, went through the mental health system and finally accepted my alcoholism two years ago and went into a treatment centre. I felt a calling to go to a church I had attended a few times before I got sober.

After the service (for some unknown reason) I found myself telling the Vicar my past. He referred me to a man who was starting an Overcomers Outreach meeting the following week. Though I had been in drug rehabilitation treatment and heavily involved in Alcoholics Anonymous I still felt there was something missing in my life.

I feel I have needed a number of structures to get me in fellowship with Jesus. Overcomers Outreach has been a major part of that process. However the more involved I have become with O.O. the more I've grown within my church life.

Through the blessings I received in working the steps from scripture I have had the strength and enthusiasm to attend many other Christian based ministries i.e. Freedom in Christ, Wholeness through Christ, and the Meet Jesus mission.

Overcomers Outreach for me has given me a deeper understanding of myself and through Jesus within the fellowship is allowing me to walk in a freedom I never thought possible.

