

## **Jerry Culbreath – Testimony**

Hello, my name is Jerry

I was raised going to a United Methodists church, but never felt the need to study the Bible or pray often. When I moved away from home as a young man, I did not make going to church a priority. I was drawn to sinful activities lusting after women, drinking, smoking, and often using vulgar speech and taking the LORD'S name in vain. All of those things left me feeling numb and empties, but I was stubborn and spent years trying to fix my life by learning of other religions and philosophers. None of which really helped they were mere distractions.

During the campaign for the last presidential election

I was drawn toward a more conservative mindset, because the other option seemed destructive to our society.

Going to the YMCA to work out they handed out small slips of paper rolled up and placed in plastic capsules which my daughter loved to grab and have me read to her, many of which contained Bible verses. Which eventually got me interested in reading more of the Bible. Around the same time the owner of the shop I work at ended his meeting with us in prayer which started conversations around the shop about faith in Jesus. For the first time in my life I felt a need to attend church.

The first Sunday I attended Lighthouse I felt the Holy Spirit working on my heart. And when I heard the biblical truths taught to us by Pastor Josh I was hooked. I started reading the bible every night.

After a couple of weeks attending church the sermon felt like it was directed straight at me, and that night after reading the bible I got down in the floor with my head to the ground and prayed asking Jesus to lead

my life. I have repented of my sins and continue to study the Bible daily. Since being saved Jesus has become the most important person in my life. I thank

him often for the blessings in my life Thanks to Jesus and the wisdom in the scripture, I no longer desire the sinful activities of my past. I also feel blessed that my wife and child have agreed to join me in learning and living life with Christ Jesus.

Thanks to the Foundations program I have received all the information needed to be a member of Christ's church. And I pray for the wisdom to share the love of God with everyone I come in contact with.

Favorite verses

Corinthians 6:19-20

Or do you not know that your body is a temple of the Holy Spirit within you whom you have from God? You are not your own, for you were bought with a price. So glorify God in your body.

Hebrews 12:11

For the moment all discipline seems painful rather than pleasant, but later it yields the peaceful fruit of righteous

to those who have been trained by it,

Galatians 5:22

But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace,  
patience, kindness, goodness, and faithfulness.