



## Story Writing Guide

This is a brief outline to help you in the process of writing about your personal journey with Jesus. There will be questions in each section to help prompt you in your writing journey. Our hope and prayer is for this to be a spiritual experience for you to reflect on where you were, what changed, and what life looks like now with Jesus in your life.

This may be new for you and that's okay! If you have questions or need help please don't hesitate to reach out to our team by calling/texting 601-397-6111 or emailing [info@theexchange.cc](mailto:info@theexchange.cc) and one of our staff members will be glad to help.

When you feel like you've gotten your story written down you can email it to [info@theexchange.cc](mailto:info@theexchange.cc) with your name. If you prefer to handwrite, you can write it out and take it to the church office during the week or on a Sunday.

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### **Share, briefly, about your life before you accepted Jesus as your personal Savior.**

- What were your attitudes, needs, concerns, and family situation?
- What happened to make you aware of your need for Jesus?
- Read Romans 3:23 & Romans 6:23. What do these verses mean to you?

### **Share how you came to the point of exchanging your old life for new life to receive Jesus as your personal Savior.**

- Why did you decide to receive Christ as your personal Savior?
- Was there a key passage of scripture that helped you come to this decision?
- Read Romans 10:9-10 & Ephesians 2:8-9. What do these verses mean to you?
- Were there any significant people that played a role in helping you make this decision?
- Describe your experience when you received Jesus as your Savior: (time of year, place, age, etc.).
- Have you been baptized by immersion since receiving Christ?

### **Share about your new life after you accepted Jesus as your personal Savior.**

- How have your life, actions, and attitudes changed since you accepted Christ as your personal Savior?
- What is God teaching you right now?
- Is there a verse of scripture that is extremely meaningful to you or one that serves as your daily guide for life?
- Read Titus 3:3-8 & Colossians 3:1-17. What do these verses mean to you?



## How to Write Your Story

Here are 3 different ways you can choose from to write your faith story by using the writing guide prompts that were given to you.

### **Write it yourself**

Whether you want to handwrite or type this is a super easy way to get your thoughts down on paper. There are plenty of templates that you can find online to help you layout how to write along with using the prompts from the Writing Guide.

Once you have completed your story you can email it or bring it in person to the office. If emailing send it to [info@theexchange.cc](mailto:info@theexchange.cc) and in the subject line put your name and what it is you are sending.

### **Voice record it yourself**

For those of you that do not feel comfortable writing your story out this is a great way to go about it as well. This could be an audio or video recording of yourself telling your story.

If you decide to use this route make sure that you are speaking directly into your phone or headphones that have a microphone on them. It would be best to find a quiet place with the least amount of distractions because this is a special moment for you to connect with God as you walk through your story. There are plenty of voice recording apps out there or even just using the Voice Memo that is on your phone or computer will work perfectly.

Once you have your recording you can send it to the same email listed above and The Exchange will even transcribe the recording once we receive it.

### **Tell it to someone**

If you try to write or record your story but don't feel good with it, can't figure out how to write or record your story, or need someone to talk to to help prompt you as you work through your story we have an option for you as well.

Reach out to us and schedule a time with a staff or ministry team member to record your story. Using the writing prompts they will help you to talk through your story. The person you are talking to will make bulleted notes while an audio recording is captured for further notes to be taken. After everything is taken down The Exchange will transcribe it.