

My Story, His Glory

As a church, we are going to be compiling the testimonies of our church members into a book. These will be used to publically give praise to God for his work of salvation in each of our lives and as a witness for those who come into our doors about the saving work of Jesus Christ. Try and have yours completed by the end of the series, April 9, 2016 and place it in the book in the foyer.

How to write your personal testimony

- Make it personal, not preachy; use “I” and “me” not “you” and “we.”
- Follow an outline.
 - **Before** – How your life looked before you became a Christian; include how you became aware of your need for Christ.
 - **When & How** – How you specifically became a Christian; communicate the gospel clearly and briefly; include the following:
 - The fact of sin (Romans 3:23)
 - The penalty of sin (Romans 6:23)
 - Jesus’ payment for sin (Romans 5:8)
 - The requirement to repent and trust Jesus personally (Romans 10:9-10)
 - The steps you took to invite Christ into your life (could have been a prayer of commitment)
 - **After** – How Jesus changed your life; relate back to the areas you struggled with before conversion.
 - Part of this can include a thank you to anyone who helped you begin a relationship with Christ.
- Clearly write out your personal testimony using the “My Testimony” outline provided.

Rough Draft

#1. Before – How your life looked before you became a Christian; include how you became aware of your need for Christ. (Hints: Read Romans 3:23, Make it Personal)

#2. When & How – How you specifically became a Christian; communicate the gospel clearly and briefly; include the following: The fact of sin (Romans 3:23), The penalty of sin (Romans 6:23), Jesus' payment for sin (Romans 5:8), The requirement to repent and trust Jesus personally (Romans 10:9-10), The steps you took to invite Christ into your life (could have been a prayer of commitment)

#3. After – How Jesus changed your life; relate back to the areas you struggled with before conversion. (Part of this can include a thank you to anyone who helped you begin a relationship with Christ.)

#4. Write it all out: Now that you've thought through your answers to the questions, combine them into a few simple paragraphs. After you have finished, bring your completed "My Testimony" page to church to include in the book.

