

Chicago Gospel Truth Conference 2018

It was a joy to see and hear what God is doing in the Chicago area through Andrew Wommack Ministries and Charis Bible College. We know you'll be blessed by these testimonies!

Catherine Clinton – Eastpointe, MI



I am retired. Before, I was a jack-of-all-trades. I was a waitress for twenty-five years. I've been in printing. I've sold large boats. I've also worked with children as a special needs teacher.

How did you become acquainted with Andrew Wommack?

I became acquainted with Andrew when I was watching TBN on TV in the morning. I can tell you that I understood immediately the reality of peace, contentment, and Gospel truth. I went, "Woo-hoo! I'm home!"

What is your favorite teaching of Andrew's, and how has it impacted you? I do not have a favorite teaching of Andrew's, only because I love every single one of them. I can't pick one. Each one is better than the last, so it just keeps getting better and better.

Have you been healed or had a significant life change through one of Andrew's teachings?

I was healed here at the conference. A woman put her arms around me and her hands over me, and she talked and prayed one-on-one with me. I have had MS for the last forty-two years of my life. My whole adult life I've had MS, and she prayed, "By the



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power of Jesus Christ," and you know, realistically, it's gone. I can walk again. I can feel my fingers again. I don't have inner balance problems right now. It's only been three days, but this is the first of another new chapter in my life, and it's all because of Andrew. I came here for the conference, and the power of God is all around us. It's wonderful. I signed up to attend Charis Bible College. I'm going to start in September, and I can't wait.

Is there anything else you would like to say?

Yes. I would love to thank the partners. We couldn't do this without them. I'm sure it's expensive for the TV time and even just to have all the volunteers and the people here at the conference. I know that partners are needed to keep it up and pull it all together.

Would you like to say anything to Andrew?

Thank you so very, very much, Andrew. Without you, I wouldn't be here today. You explain the Gospel in real terms. I can't thank you enough. I just thank you, thank you, thank you. I'm so blessed that I found you.

Benjamin Johnson - Bedford, IN

What is your occupation?

I am a stone cutter.

How did you become acquainted with Andrew Wommack?

I had a friend from church, and she watched Andrew Wommack on television. He was going through his teaching series *You've Already Got It!* She just bought the book and gave it to me one Sunday at church. I took it home, and I almost stayed up all night. I read the whole thing through, and then I read it again. I read it like eight times in a month. After I read *You've Already Got It!*, I got in contact with the ministry. Then I ordered *The True Nature of God, Harnessing Your Emotions*, and *The Believer's Authority*. I read through those, and I was just continually shocked. It took about a year for it to all sink in, and then I was like, *I'm just going to live this way*. I mean, it was just life transforming.

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It was August 18, 2015, and I had drunk a case of beer that night. We had already planned on going to Andrew's conference, which was August 20-22. I decided I would not take any booze to the conference, so I stopped drinking. My body was addicted to alcohol. I had to have alcohol or else I'd go through withdrawal symptoms like sweats, nervous shaking, all that. We show up to the conference on Thursday, August 20.

Andrew was in the back of the auditorium praying for people. I just happened to look back, and it was like instantly all the sweats stopped, the shaking stopped, everything stopped. I didn't have any withdrawals anymore. The next day he interviewed this woman up in front of the auditorium. She had gone to Andrew for prayer for alcohol addiction. Somehow, I piggybacked off her deliverance or something. I have no idea



how it happened. The only explanation I can think of is just being in the atmosphere of faith where you can walk in, and if you have a need, it just gets met. I came expecting to be delivered from what was destroying my family and me.

That was August 20, 2015, and I know that I'm completely delivered because I haven't had one urge in three years to even go near a bottle of alcohol. That's true deliverance because from the time I was a seventeen-year-old boy, even when I was dry, I still wanted a drink. It had that kind of hold on me. Since August 20, 2015, nothing. I don't want it. It's nothing I ever want to go back to. I'm free.

What is your favorite teaching of Andrew's?

I'd say, You've Already Got It! If I were to give a friend one book, that would be it. We've bought You've Already Got It! for a lot of people. I wish people would open up his books.

What does partnership with Andrew Wommack Ministries mean to you?

Partnership is just the opportunity to help Andrew and Jamie do their very best. I would have lived in defeat the rest of my life if it hadn't been for Andrew's teachings. For me to be able to invest into that opportunity, it's priceless.

How are you enjoying the conference? What do you like about it?

It's amazing. I mean, just being in this atmosphere, it's just different. At the partner meeting, Andrew said that he wasn't going to travel that much after next year or something, so I guess we're going to Colorado after that happens, because it's worth it. Everything you learn here, it's just the same simple truths over and over and over. You think you know it, but when you get up against the wall, you have to put it into practice. I enjoy the way Andrew does things simply. Simple is always profound. I've learned more from Andrew than anybody.

Would you like to say anything to Andrew?

Thank you for all that you've endured through the decades. I know you've gone through hell, and you've persevered. You helped somebody who thought he was nothing become something. You gave me a fighting chance to live in victory, and I just want to thank you and thank Jamie as well. I know she's endured just as much, if not more, than what you have because she's had to stand by your side and walk

through hell with you to get to where you're at today.
Thank you.

Marguerite Hoyt – Rochester, NY

What is your occupation?

I teach part-time college and career, and I also taught Spanish.

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How did you become acquainted with Andrew Wommack?

I was a Catholic, but not devout. I did know that Jesus was the Son of God. At thirty-one years old, I went through a sudden and unexpected divorce. I heard the Lord speak to me to come now. I started to become very hungry for His Word. The Lord dealt with me about what I was watching, listening to, and reading. He told me it was glorifying the Enemy. I stopped watching all secular television. I would see Andrew all the time on television. As a single mom at that time, I really was appreciative of the free material that Andrew was able to send out. I also listened to a lot of his audio teachings on his website.



What is your favorite teaching of Andrew's, and how has it impacted you?

It's *God Wants You Well*. I did not know that it was God's will for His children to be well. I did not know that Jesus paid for our sickness and disease and that the Enemy put sickness and disease on people. We have to not even look at our circumstances, but look at and stand on the Word of God. That teaching really made the difference in my life.

Have you been healed or had a significant life change through one of Andrew's teachings?

On July 13, 2011, I was having ice cream with my two boys and my mother. I suddenly heard a sound in my ear and put my head down. My mom spoke to me, and it took me a moment to respond. She said, "Can you speak?" I went to answer her and could not speak. I lost the ability to move my right arm. They called 911, and I was taken by ambulance. In the ambulance, a fight ensued. I literally heard the voice of the Enemy, which I knew was the Enemy because of Andrew's teachings. I heard a voice tell me I was going to be a vegetable. Then I heard God roar. He said, *No*, *fight!* I knew what that meant because I had studied

and listened to God Wants You Well.

It was a very scary time, but I was able to hold on to two scriptures:
"By His stripes, we are healed" [1 Pet. 2:24] and "No weapon formed against me will prosper, and any tongue that raises an allegation against me will be proven false" [Is. 54:17]. The tongue of the Enemy was raising an allegation against me. As I got to the hospital, they were working on me and giving me a clot-busting drug. I continued to fight with those two scriptures in my mind. I couldn't even speak them out of my mouth. I knew God wanted me well. I thought, *Lord*, *I am running out of energy to fight*. It was at that time I was able to speak the scriptures in my mind, and then they came out of my mouth. I was able to move my hands. I later found out the doctor who worked on me was a Christian. He told me that I was completely blessed because most of the time, things don't go that way; things usually get worse with the clot-busting drug. But I knew what it was to stand on Scripture and fight the Enemy.

Had I not been exposed to Andrew's teachings, I truly believe that I might be dead or a vegetable today. I had an underlying heart condition that caused me to have a stroke. I heard a teaching of Andrew's where he had a diagnosis of some sort, and he said, "No, I do not receive that, in Jesus's name." So, I said to the cardiologist, "No, I do not receive that, in the name of Jesus." I walked out of that cardiologist's office and went to a different one, who was a Christian. She listened to me. Six months later I had a normal ejection fraction of fifty-five, and I have ever since then.

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How are you enjoying the conference? What do you like about it?

I am loving hearing all the teaching. I've had people come and prophesy over me. To be in an environment where there is faith for healing and there's faith for receiving what God has already done has been incredible. I'm so thankful. Andrew takes the time to talk with people and pray with them. I think that's very rare. He listened to us, prayed for us, and encouraged us. He's the same person that's on TV.

What does partnership with Andrew Wommack Ministries mean to you?

We know that we are sowing into a ministry that's preaching the Gospel fully. Years ago, when I was a single mom and could not afford to buy a CD, Andrew Wommack Ministries sent me free CDs. That sustained me. Now we get to be a part of doing that for somebody else. My husband and I now have the opportunity to help other people.

Would you like to say anything to Andrew?

Thank you so much, Andrew, for preaching the truth boldly. Thank you for giving away free materials. Thank you for taking the time to pray with my husband and me. Thank you for being a man of God and obeying the Word of the Lord.



What is your occupation?

I work at a furniture factory in Holland, Michigan. We make furniture for McDonald's, Burger King, Chick-fil-A.

How did you become acquainted with Andrew Wommack?

I came into the country in 2012. The house I stayed at in New York was a pastor's house. My sister was staying there. They already knew about Andrew. When I got there, they introduced me to his books and his TV show.

What is your favorite teaching of Andrew's, and how has it impacted you?

The teaching that impacted me most is *Spirit, Soul & Body*. It helped me to get my identity back. It helped me to know who I am in Christ. I was still a young Christian. I had some identity crisis in me because of the life I used to lead before. I had a problem with my sexuality. Before I came to Christ, I could go with men or with women. When I came to Christ, I still struggled with some of these things. Through that teaching and seeing myself for who I was in Christ, right now I don't have any problem in that area. I got cleared out of that. Even right now, I'm confident in who I am in Christ.

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The teaching You've Already Got It! helped me understand that my provision in God is already there. I've come to a place where I don't even check my bank account, because I know God has me. My limit is not my bank account; my limit is what God has for me. I've seen His provision in so many wonderful testimonies. Our stuff is already there in the spiritual realm; it's just that we have to receive it.

I was severely depressed. I was diagnosed with bipolar disorder. When I came into the country, I was so depressed, I could not even look at a person in the face. I could not go outside. When I would eat, I was bending down so people wouldn't see me eating. One of Andrew's teachings that impacted me on that is *A Sure Foundation*. Through that teaching, I got into the Word. When I started getting into the Word, I saw that there is freedom in the Word. Slowly but surely, I came out of that. Now when you see me in the streets of Holland, I'm always dancing, praising God. I'm thankful for God putting Andrew in my life. God is good.

How has being a Charis student impacted your life?

I was in Kenya before 2012. I didn't have a job. I was washing cars for a living. I was still a new believer. God opened up an opportunity for me to come to America. There's a green card lottery. I tried it out and got the lottery. I ended up here. I saw God's direction leading me here to this ministry. Now I'm at Charis. It's like God planned this before I came here. What it has helped me to know is the love of God in my life. It has opened me up, and I've been at Charis for only four months. I've got a revelation that God loves me with a passion. Before that, I used to hear of the body of Christ and would think of myself as the nail or the toe. Going to Charis Bible College, I've got a revelation that I'm in the heart of God where He wants me to be. He cares about me. It has been such a good foundation. I thank God for leading me here.



I decided to partner with Andrew because I saw how he gives out his materials for free. I used to listen to all his teachings on the internet. That softened my heart, and I started giving to Andrew Wommack Ministries. Then the Lord directed me to start giving into Charis Bible College World Outreach and the Charis projects. I believe this ministry can touch so many people in the world like it touched me.

How are you enjoying the conference? What do you like about it?

I've had a blast. I've been so happy. It's like the teachings were just for me.

Would you like to say anything to Andrew?

I want to thank you, Andrew, for hearing from God and doing the work you are doing. Your ministry is really changing lives. It changed my whole life. God bless you, Andrew.

Heidi Bellerue - Minneapolis, MN

What is your occupation?

I'm a software developer. I do business software.

How did you become acquainted with Andrew Wommack?

Several years ago, somebody gave me *Effortless Change*. I read it and really liked it. I found out about Charis in Minneapolis and wanted to go. I'm starting my second year.





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How has being a Charis student impacted your life?

Charis is changing my default programming. This is the software developer response. It changed how I respond to good and bad things in my life. I woke up with this extreme headache. Without thinking about it, I said, "By the authority Jesus gave me, get out! You don't belong here." I literally felt it lift. It was my automatic response. That's when I realized I'm changing my defaults. When you don't think about it and you respond the way God designed you to respond, that's the ultimate goal.



How have Andrew's teachings impacted your life?

I went to the Charis Business Summit and signed up in March. When I make reservations, I do everything at once. My default programming for cars is I always take the second level from the bottom, Toyota Camry level. I'd never been out to Colorado Springs. I heard you really need at least a V6 to get around. I had gone early to go hiking and sightseeing. I started thinking about it and got in line at the car rental place. I started asking God, Father, should I upgrade to the next level so I know I'm getting a V6? The man in front of me started talking to me. The line was really long, but he didn't quit talking to me until we had to go up to the counter.

I forgot to talk to God about that V6. I handed the lady my credit card and driver's license. She started printing stuff out and looked at the printout. "This isn't your car," she said. I asked, "I did a thirty-nine-dollar-a-day rental car, right?" She looked again. "It is your car! The system assigned you a brand-new 2018 Suburban V8. It's a two-hundred-dollar-a-day car." I was shocked. I said, "Is that a good car?" She said, "That's the perfect car to get around here." That's something that God would do. That was far above anything I would've asked for.

Driving down from Woodland Park after the first night of the conference, I was thanking God. He said, Why do you think I didn't let you finish praying about the six cylinders? Like Andrew says, it was "a new wrinkle in my brain" to think that God would stop me from praying for something. I thought about it for a minute and said to God, Because I would have asked You for a six-cylinder, and You would have had to give me a six-cylinder? He said, Bingo.

I usually pray about an annual net income when I set goals. There was a number that God had given me almost ten years ago that I couldn't believe for. I had cut it back. It's not like I wasn't making a good income at what I was doing. I was being blessed, but it wasn't where God wanted me to be. When I got back from Colorado Springs and prayed again about my goal, that number came back up. I wrote it down and was thinking about it. I couldn't see it. I scratched it out and put in a different number, a lesser number. Then I saw that Suburban in my mind. God had something bigger. I scratched it out again and I put down God's number and went with that. Needless to say, an opportunity popped up within a few days, and my income increased \$50,000.00. God was trying to tell me to think bigger and ask bigger.

What does partnership with Andrew Wommack Ministries mean to you?

Partnership means sharing. I like to serve. I don't really look for what I can get from a church but what I can give. You actually get a lot more that way. Giving is the same way. When I give, I'm actually participating in that same anointing. I don't want to be just given stuff. God has blessed me. Andrew Wommack has blessed me by his teaching. If I went to an attorney, if I went to any other business, I would pay for that expertise. I don't understand why we wouldn't want to do that for a ministry that's done so much.

How are you enjoying the conference? What do you like about it?

I am enjoying the teaching the best. It does help me to immerse in this for a few days. It takes me to a different level every time.

Would you like to say anything to Andrew?

Thank you, Andrew, for everything. Thank you for persevering through all the hard times. In the end, we can all be built up. We can all learn and grow and share with other people the truths you've learned.







Verbal testimonies have been transcribed and edited for length and clarity.