

We had a wonderful time at the 2017 Freedom Christian Center Camp Meeting! We had the privilege of recording the amazing healing journey of Gloria and Troy Akins' youngest son, Colt. In addition, we interviewed other attendees with wonderful healing testimonies. Praise God for people who have received Andrew Wommack's teaching for so many years at Freedom Christian Center. We know you'll be blessed by their stories!

Allyson Rola – Charlotte, North Carolina

Tell us about yourself.

I am from Beacon, New York. I moved to Charlotte in 2015 for Charis Bible College. I'm currently working as a group fitness trainer.



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

When I was nine years old, I was diagnosed with alopecia universalis, which is incurable. I went from doctor to doctor, and they had no answers for me. I was completely bald from head to toe because of the disease. I also had a thyroid problem called Hashimoto's disease and was on a very high dosage of thyroid medication. When I was just nine years old, I put on a wig because I didn't want anyone to know that I was sick or bald. The shame held me captive. I knew that Jesus healed the sick, and I would go to sleep at night believing that I would wake up in the morning with a full head of hair. The church disappointed me because they told me that God wanted me sick. I was still bald when I went off to college.

Later on, after I moved back to New York, my dad was like, "You know, it's your fault you're sick." And I was like, "Dad, how could you?" I had faith that the Lord could heal



me, and I knew God could do it. But I was mad at my dad for saying that this illness was my fault. He had listened to Andrew and told me that I needed to listen to him too. I got hold of a teaching called *You've Already Got It!* That was the only teaching I needed to hear to be set free. I was driving in my car and looked at my bald head in the rearview mirror. I said, "Hair, grow in the name of Jesus." I started thanking God because I knew I was already healed. I completely went off my medication after that, and my hair grew back! I listened to another one of Andrew's teachings and got filled with the Holy Spirit. I think that was a game-changer. It has been a desire of my heart to have hair since I was a young girl, and now I have it! I'm not planning on cutting it anytime soon.

Do you have any words of encouragement to share regarding healing?

Jesus has the answer! You do not have to be sick. You don't need anyone to lay hands on you. The Word of God brings healing, so you can take it right now. God cares about every detail of your life, and He wants you well. No one can ever take that from you, because you are healed by the Word.

How has being a Charis student impacted your life?

I graduated from Charis in May 2017 at the Charlotte campus. It was awesome! I would recommend Charis to anyone. I've heard Andrew say that it's not the devil who gives you a desire to go to Bible college. The first time I heard him say that, I thought to myself, *There is no way I will go to Bible college*. The next week, I was packing my bags for Charis. And I already had a college degree!

What does partnership with Andrew Wommack Ministries mean to you?

It means I'm sowing into good ground, and I'm going to reap the benefits. I am thankful that Andrew changed my life, and I want to be part of what his ministry is doing.

Would you like to say anything to Andrew?

Andrew Wommack, I cannot express how thankful I am. For many years, I did not know the truth, and the truth taught from your ministry set me free. I am in awe, and I am honored to even be a part of what you are doing.

Patricia Wade – Charlotte, North Carolina

What is your occupation?

I'm the lead singer of a Christian rock band called Rannons' Call. My husband and I cofounded R.A.D. Charlotte: Rock Against Domestic Violence, a nonprofit organization. We do benefit concerts to bring awareness about domestic violence.

"Andrew breaks everything down. He makes it so simple, and even if you've been on this journey for a while, Andrew makes it fresh and exciting."

What is your favorite teaching of Andrew's, and how has it impacted you? Hands down, it would be You've Already Got It! That was a revolutionary teaching for me. I got revelation of what Jesus did at the cross for us. I had heard before that we have everything that pertains to life (2 Pet. 1:3), but I get it now after the way Andrew explained it. I already have it. I needed to not just receive what He's already done but also to use it.

The Believer's Authority also helped me understand the authority I have in Christ. Andrew breaks everything down. He makes it so simple, and even if you've been on this journey for a while, Andrew makes it fresh and exciting.



What was life like before and after receiving Andrew's teaching on healing?

Twenty years ago, I injured my foot. They removed three bones from my foot, which left my big toe with atrophy. Then my big toe started significantly curving. Last year, I could no longer tolerate having my foot in that condition. I started listening to Andrew Wommack's ministry. He said, "Speak to it." That was revolutionary for me. He said to speak to your mountain, and my mountain was my foot. I started speaking to my foot. Then the Lord said, "Speak to your tendon." I spoke to my tendon, and I felt a release in my foot. From there, I could bend it. He gave me another step. He told me to put this apparatus on my foot that night. I did not leave it on because it was uncomfortable. The next morning, I looked at my foot, and I could see that my foot was straighter, but it wasn't complete. He said, "You didn't do what I told you to do. If you don't do everything that I'm instructing you, how are you going to expect to have the full result?" When I spoke to it to straighten, it straightened. My foot is not 100 percent perfect; however, it will be. Every time I look at it, I'm just amazed at the fact that it was so curved, and now it is straight. That was my very first miracle.

About three months after my very first miracle, I discovered that I had a white hard thing on my breast. I was concerned. The first thing I did was go to WebMD because I had all these symptoms. I didn't share it with anyone because, as Andrew has stated, words are powerful. You have to watch your words. In one of his teachings, he was talking about belief versus faith. That was revolutionary for me. Then he talked about speaking to the mountain. I built myself up with the truth through Andrew's teachings. I looked in the mirror, and I spoke to it. The next morning when I got up, it was gone.

Would you like to say anything to Andrew?

Thank you so much for being the man of God that you are and for allowing God to use you mightily. You are special to me. Know that I love you and I appreciate you.

Linda Hanson – Concord, North Carolina

Tell us about yourself.

I'm retired, but I've been the dean of administration at Life Christian University for fifteen years. I'm a mother, a grandmother, and a great-grandmother.



How did you become acquainted with Andrew Wommack Ministries?

My pastor a few years ago was always talking about Andrew, so I started watching him. It's so peaceful and relaxing listening to Andrew preach the Word of God.

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

You've Already Got It! really made a lot of sense and really enlightened me. More recently with my illness, God Wants You Well was the biggest life changer. I knew God wanted me well, but I didn't understand why He didn't heal people all the time. I found out from Andrew and the Word of God that we are healed and that God wants us well all the time. He went to the cross for our salvation and our healing. I don't have to be sick, and I'm not afraid of any disease now, because I know I am healed.

Do you have a healing testimony to share?

The doctors told me I had congestive heart failure, which was a total surprise to me. I had never been sick. I didn't even have a doctor. I went to the emergency room because I couldn't breathe. I just got into the Word more. To build my faith, I listened to the healing testimonies that Andrew had on his program. The healing didn't manifest instantly, but I stayed in the Word, claiming my healing. From that day forward, I kept speaking to my heart, commanding it to act right because it was already healed and strong.

After doing that for almost a year, I went to one of Andrew's healing services. Hands were laid on me, and I was instantly healed. I have all the energy that I used to have years ago. I know that God gave me a new heart, so I stopped taking my medicine because I didn't feel like I needed to take it anymore. I did go to the doctor because I had an appointment coming up. But I told him that I was healed, and he says that that's the kind of report they want to hear.

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

I look forward to this every year. I'm only thirty minutes away. I like to come every night that I can to be part of this. It's about getting around other like-minded believers who love the Lord and want all that He has for them. Andrew's here for the whole week, and I've been here for the whole week. It's just awesome being here and being in this atmosphere.

Would you like to say anything to Andrew?

I just want to say thank you, Andrew, for what you have done for me and how you've helped me. You have really changed my life. There are so many different things that I could tell you that you've helped me with. I am so thankful that you've been obedient to the Lord. Because of you, we have Healing School in Concord, North Carolina, once a month. This is really ministering to a lot of people. People are getting their healing even before they come down front to ask someone to pray for them. I'm thankful for all that you do, for your heart, honesty, and openness. You make the Gospel so simple to understand.

Gloria Akins – Denver, North Carolina

How did you become acquainted with Andrew Wommack Ministries?

My husband and I already had two beautiful twin girls and a son who was about a year younger when we found out we were going to have another baby. The kids were surprised but excited. We were just like any other family preparing for the coming of our little guy. The day that he was born should have been one of the happiest days of our lives, and it was for a while. He was perfect. But the doctors were checking him out and came to us and said that he was in complete kidney failure. The next day, the doctor came in and said, "We've continued looking at his blood work, and it's just not getting better. He is going to need dialysis, or he will eventually need a kidney transplant." They said that he would need to be transported to the local children's hospital. They sent a team of people to get him and put him in this little incubator, and he was gone like that. The kids were crying. I was crying. It was just awful.

That night as my husband and I talked about it, the word *trust* just kept coming to mind. My favorite verse is trust in the Lord with all your heart and lean not on your own

"I don't have to be sick, and I'm not afraid of any disease now, because I know I am healed." understanding (Prov. 3:5). That night I couldn't even think of the entire verse. I was in so much pain. I said, "Okay, God. We're going to trust you. I don't know what's going to happen, but we're going to trust you." We were finally able to go to the hospital, where he was in the NICU. The doctors explained to us that he would need to have surgery. They were going to put a catheter in his abdomen and put a feeding tube in because babies on dialysis often struggle with feeding. At three days old, Colt went in for surgery. At that point, it really felt like our lives were just completely shattered. During that time, it was really dark. Colt was in the hospital for about two months. We brought him home, but it was as if a whole different nightmare had begun. He struggled with eating and keeping down food. We were watching him suffer.



"I love what Andrew says. He says that if you can move the devil an inch, you can move him a mile one inch at a time. And that's what we did." The first few months at home, our biggest challenge was just trying to keep food in him. There were medical supplies out and tape and gauze. He really didn't like dressing changes, so that was hard to watch. It was taking a toll on my other kids, but at the time, we had no choice. We were all in survival mode. We just had to do what we had to do day and night. It was hard to overcome depression and despair.

We went to the doctors, and they agreed to allow us to stop a particular medication, and that was a turning point for me. At that point, I realized God was talking to me. A friend of ours came up to us in church one morning, and he pulled us aside and said, "Hey guys, I saw this testimony this week on Andrew Wommack's program." We went home that afternoon and watched the healing testimony of little Hannah Terradez. We started watching Andrew as often as possible. I would watch him on television and go online and listen to teachings. It was really encouraging to me.

How has your life been impacted by Andrew's teaching on healing?

The first teaching we listened to was *God Wants You Well*. It just made a lot of sense and put things into perspective for me about what God's will is for us. Then watching the *Spirit, Soul & Body* series really helped me personally find a lot of freedom from religion. I started studying the Bible more and testing some of the things that I was learning in Andrew's teachings. As I worked on my own doubts and unbelief, God began to show me step by step where to go with Colt and what to do. We were invited to a healing service at a local church called Living Word Ministries. We met Pastor Derrick Dellinger and his wife, Tracy, for the first time, and he told me not to get into condemnation because I hadn't seen Colt's healing happen yet or because he's still on dialysis. He said, "God's going to lead you, and He's going to show you. Don't give up on God's best for Colt, because He's got a plan for him." Derrick prayed with us and believed with us for Colt's healing.

After we first started listening to some of Andrew's teachings, we heard that he was going to be in town. We went to meet him at the service that day. I told Andrew when we met him, "You don't got anything I don't got 'cause I know it's the Holy Spirit." He laughed and agreed, and he said, "You're absolutely right. It's not me. It is God, and it's the Holy Spirit living inside of me." He talked to Colt and spoke life and healing over him. That time with Andrew really encouraged me. We enjoyed that initial meeting with him, and it was a long time before we met him again. When we finally did meet Andrew again, Colt was off dialysis, and we were so excited to be able to come and share that with him. Colt was on dialysis, but God set him free. We're just so grateful.

Is there anything else you would like to say?

Our journey wasn't one of those instant healings. It was a progression. Step by step, little by little, God led us to our healing. I love what Andrew says. He says that if you can move the devil an inch, you can move him a mile one inch at a time. And that's what we did.

Lauren Akins – Denver, North Carolina

Where are you from?

I was born in Florida, but we moved to North Carolina when I was five.

How did you become acquainted with Andrew Wommack?

My mom would listen to Andrew Wommack all the time, and I would be like, "Dang, I need to listen to him." God just flows through Andrew Wommack, and it's amazing to see God do these amazing miracles.

How have you and your family been impacted by Andrew's teaching on healing?

I'm super happy now that Colt has no tubes. I like listening to all the healing testimonies.
It just gets me excited because now I've actually experienced a healing. I remember
watching one healing testimony and thinking that if that happened for that person, it
could happen for Colt, and it did! With God, everything is possible.

When they told us that Colt didn't need to be on dialysis anymore, I was so excited because I had been waiting for this for four years, and it was finally here. I give all the glory to God because He's the healer, and He healed Colt. Life is great now. I think of things in a different perspective. He's just the best baby brother ever.

Would you like to say anything to Andrew?

Thank you for giving us the strength to go on. I don't think we could've done it without you and God. You make everything sound so easy to believe, and it's just so cool that God has this awesome calling on your life to help people like us go through this journey. Thank you for what you've done for our family and for other families who have gone through the same thing.



Testimonies have been transcribed and edited for length and clarity.

"I remember watching one healing testimony and thinking that if that happened for that person, it could happen for Colt. and it did! With God, everything is possible."