

Deacon Richard Bobby's Testimony

"My life before I was saved was a life without purpose, a constant struggle to find my true identity and the reason I was put here. I needed to fit in with the world, and wanted to be accepted and liked by everyone. I was insecure and self-centered, and often drank alcohol in excess to hide the insecurities and pretend I was fitting in. I looked happy and in control of my life to those around me, but that was a lie. My emotions controlled me. I was moved to anger easily, and my pride always justified my actions. My flesh was weak, and my thoughts were not pure. I believed the lie that it was okay to lust after women, and one-night stands were completely acceptable. I coveted money and material things, and believed my job and money defined me... And then, 3 years ago something amazing happened. GOD changed my life! He used my niece, Roxanne to minister to me and my family. Jesus was knocking on my door and I was unaware (Praise God)! I was brought into the Fold Church, a Holy house of God. A house where the pastors preach the Word of God as it is written (not watered down to appease the flesh). I know it was His purpose to place me in this house. God has been so good to me and my family. He has blessed me in abundance with a new home, pay raises at work, kept me employed during several company restructures, strengthened my marriage with my wife and relationship with my stepson. He has given me a hunger for the Word, a desire for greater understanding for how to live my life. I thank God for my salvation and the Holy Spirit who transformed my life. He has given me peace and joy in the Lord by freeing my mind of fear and worry. He has given me joy of who I am in Him, and a peace of knowing I can put my trust in Him always. He has softened my heart and given me more compassion for all people. When I error in His ways, there is conviction in my heart and a need to ask for repentance. I've developed a prayer life for myself and my family. Only God could have made these changes in my life and I am truly grateful! I will never be that same person again. For God said I am a new creature in Christ! Amen."

-Richard