

Short Testimony (approx. 3 minutes) of Rex M. Whitton III

I. My Life Without Christ - I was raised in Kansas City Mo...in a “leave-it-to-Beaver” style home environment with church going parents. I had a great heritage, being the grandson of the father of the USA interstate highway system under President Kennedy and Johnson. I was 3rd generation civil engineer from the University of Missouri and became quite successful in the commercial construction business building projects all over the United States.

My life was primarily devoted to selfishness. I was driven by the desire to become wealthy, to party as much as possible and pursue as many women as possible. I had no interest whatsoever in spiritual things. I was a prisoner of self.

II. My Born-Again-Jesus-is-Real Experience - Jesus laid hold of me and made me a new man when I was 29 years old. I was alone in my Dallas Texas apartment late on the evening of May 18, 1985 when I prayed the prayer of salvation from the back of a book that I had picked up earlier that night from a Robert Tilton success-n-life-thru-Jesus Christ banquet .

I knew then He was real because His entrance into my heart came with unmistakable feelings of peace and joy such as I had never experienced before and only a few times since.

A few days later I prayed the prayer for the baptism of the Holy Spirit from the back of another book and out came speaking in tongues.

I knew He was real because He immediately took away all of my old selfish evil desires. He replaced them with new desires that I had never experienced before. Desires that I knew were pleasing to Him.

III. The Difference He has Made in My Life

1. Today I am one of the happiest people on earth because I am using the gifts that God has given me in order to accomplish the purposes for which He created me.
2. I know that He also created me so that He could enjoy a Father-son relationship with me. I am enjoying that relationship on a moment-by-moment basis. It is the farthest thing from man-made religion. There are blessings that come with this relationship that I could never have imagined. Every day is an exciting adventure when I walk close to Him.
3. On the other hand I have discovered the realities of a real war with a real enemy (named the devil) who wants to destroy me. I have also discovered that I learn obedience through the things that I suffer just like He did.
4. God is forming a family of sons and daughters to live with for forever. Until we get to heaven, He wants us to take care of the business of His Kingdom here on earth...**The Family Business**, the business of building His house, which is a house of relationships. He is always at work in us to change us into the likeness of His perfect first born Son. As a member of this awesome family I am always on the look-out for those that God is calling into **The Family Business**.

Could you be my long lost member of our Family?