

‘I Saw Angels’: Country Singer Recalls Near-Death Experience During Concert, Meeting Jesus

In a moment that came without warning, country artist Drake White found himself staring death in the face—right in the middle of a live performance.

According to a report from Fox News, White recently opened up about the harrowing 2019 concert where his life nearly ended in an instant. What began as a normal night on stage quickly turned into a medical emergency that would forever alter his perspective on life, survival and faith.

“I’m Having a Stroke”

White described the moment with chilling clarity. In the middle of his set, he was suddenly overtaken by a sensation so intense, it felt as though he had been struck by a gunshot to the head. Having been given the diagnosis of a rare condition with his brain, White knew the pain had to be related.

The pain was immediate—and so was the realization.

“Everything slowed way down, and it just felt like I was walking in quicksand, and everything was was like...‘I’m having a stroke.’”

A Glimpse Beyond Life

What happened next, however, went far beyond a medical crisis.

“...saw angels, saw the whole near-death experience, talked to God, the whole thing,” he stated, according to Fox News. “I

realized that rock bottom had a basement. It really got me to a spot where I didn't know if I was gonna survive."



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In those moments between life and death, White says he encountered something he cannot deny—an experience that left him both shaken and transformed.

A Dire Diagnosis—and a Long Road Back

Moments after collapsing onstage, White was rushed for emergency care as doctors worked to stabilize him.

"The doctors came in and told me that I'd had a hemorrhagic heard them murmuring that I'll be lucky to walk again, much less get back on stage."

What followed was not just survival—but a fight to reclaim everything he once took for granted.

"I Met Him... It Was Real"

For White, the most profound impact wasn't just physical—it was spiritual.

"I am a Jesus-following guy that believes in that wholeheartedly. Met him, saw him, talked to him. It's as real as me and you talking right now... He was like, 'What's going on? Tell me what's up.' It was the most peaceful I'd ever been in my life in that moment."

The peace he describes stands in stark contrast to the chaos of the moment, suggesting that even as his body was failing, something deeper was taking place.

A Life Forever Changed

White further emphasized that fear was not what defined the experience.

“I was not scared, I was just not. It’s just like a transition,” he continued. “I could feel it. It was palpable. You know what I mean? I could touch faith is for you, it meets you where you are. It meets you where you are in a hospital bed or in a car wreck or whatever it is.”

That encounter has become a cornerstone of how he now understands faith: not as theory, but as something deeply personal and tangible.

“It Was the Most Peaceful I’ve Ever Been”

“I am a man of faith. I believe in the Christian values. I believe in the Father, Son and the Holy Ghost. I believe all this,” White said. “I choose to believe it... It gave me so much peace. It was the most peaceful I’ve ever been.”

White’s story is more than a testimony of survival. It is a powerful reminder of what can happen when a person comes face-to-face with eternity.

What began as a normal night on stage became a moment that changed everything. And now, his voice carries more than music—it carries the weight of a man who believes he encountered God at the edge of life itself.

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