

Ex-Drug Addict Turned Born-Again Believer Credits Church With Saving Her Life

A Canadian church has a message for Christians and houses of worship alike amid the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic: *"Refuse to close your doors."*

Trinity Bible Chapel in Waterloo, Ontario, Canada published a video Tuesday of a woman named Jennifer Scott. The clip featured Scott's incredibly touching baptism and her heartwarming testimony.

Scott shared her journey with the congregation before publicly pronouncing her faith through immersion.

"I was a slave to darkness," she said. "I grew up going to church, but I wasn't saved."

Scott's journey led her into chaos and drug use. She eventually found herself "smoking and shooting 7 grams of cocaine a day" but life started to change after she agreed to attend a prayer meeting at her son's request.

"My son asked me to come to a prayer meeting at Trinity," she said. "In my small group, I asked for prayer to help me stop."

And after Scott posted a comment on a church YouTube video, the pastor reached out and started encouraging her. Eventually, the church helped her secure a bed at a sober-living house—and her life was suddenly transformed.

"I have been clean and sober now for over seven months," she said. "The body of Christ here at Trinity has helped me with furniture and other things."

Scott also said something deeply powerful for the church to

heed, specifically in an era dominated by closures and government mandates.

“None of these things would have happened if Trinity closed its doors and was solely online,” she said. “I know for a fact I’d be dead right now if God had not used this church in my life.”

Scott became emotional, at one point adding, “I am not crippled by fear anymore. ... Jesus never stopped His pursuit of me.”

Trinity posted messages to social media encouraging Christians to realize there are others like Scott who need physical and spiritual help, using the #OpenYourChurch hashtag to drive home the point.

“Refuse to close your doors. Refuse to turn people away. This testimony is one among many that are similar,” the church proclaimed. “We’ve witnessed over 100 baptisms at TBC since June 2020; all glory to God!”

The message is particularly pertinent, considering Trinity faced tens of thousands in fines for its refusal to close.

Pray for Scott as she embarks on this incredible faith journey.

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