

Testimony of Janice Burt Altschul

On May 8th 2021 I was rushed to the ER at CenterPoint Hospital and I had not been feeling well for a few days. While there a Covid Test was done and confirmed that I indeed had Covid 19. From CenterPoint they sent me to Research Hospital, as that is where the Covid Unit was for the HCA Network of hospitals. The first two weeks I was there I really do not remember anything except having a Bipap machine hooked up to my face and nurses and doctors coming and going that looked like they were getting ready to board a space ship. They kept asking me if I wanted to be hooked up to a ventilator, get the drug Remdesivir or antibiotics, which I told them NO. It was an everyday occurrence. I knew deep in my heart that the Lord was going to be with me through this whole ordeal. You see, I almost died 3 times. Once from Covid & pneumonia, Sepsis and AFIB while at Research. My faith over took my fears, for which I am grateful. Plus, I had the prayers of many, many people going up on my behalf. Thank you.

Sometime during that time, I had a vision. In that vision I saw our Savior, Jesus Christ. We had a conversation about several things that I can remember. I know there was more, but I cannot remember all of it. We were talking and I asked, "What would we have to do to bring about the Kingdom?" He told me that we should learn to love each other. I asked, how can we do that? And very quietly and humbly he said, "be like me". Very simply brothers and sister. Learn to love each other. It's our choice be like him or walk the way of the world.

I asked him, what was he thinking when he created us. He reared back and laughed. And yes, I could see and feel his joy. He said it was all part of the plan. I knew what plan he was talking about, the plan of salvation he gave us as his gift. And yes, he does have a sense of humor.

Then he spoke directly to me. He said, you need to stop complaining. I said I didn't know I did that much. Then he asked me a question, "did I complain on to the way to calvary?" That made me feel like I" tall. I've been trying really hard to overcome this and want to be more like him.

I think the most important thing he said was about His church. We need to stop complaining, watch every word that comes out of our mouths, every thought, every deed, for we will be held accountable when our time comes to stand before him. We spend too much time doing these things. Some do not recognize that they even do it. Its something all of us need to pray about daily.

While we were talking the "tunnel" appeared. The one everyone talks about when having a near death experience. He gave me the option of going with him or staying. I told him I wanted to stay here to fulfill everything that I promised him I would do before I came here. So after I expressed that to him, he was gone.

Brothers and sisters, I cannot explain the joy that I felt while I was in his presence and after he left. I knew that the road for me was not going to be easy. I was at Research for 6 weeks. I was on 100% oxygen that whole time period. Then was transferred to Kindred Hospital in Gladstone. I was there for a month, and then transferred again to Ignite in Blue Springs for rehab. You will

have to understand the first 10 weeks I could not walk. While at Ignite very slowly I started walking again. I've been home now for a little over 4 weeks with another hospital stay in-between. At first, I was using a walker. And now I am walking on my own with the exception of our stairs. My husband got me a stair lift for that. But now I am starting to use the stairs again, a little at a time. Currently I'm on 4 liters of oxygen. The last week I was in the hospital, I found out that I have severe aortic stenosis and congestive heart failure. So now I am looking at possible open-heart surgery. After 4 months and 1 extra week in hospital, I have come to know completely just how much he loves me. All of us!

I would like to end my testimony now with these final words. YES Jesus lives! YES he loves us! Please let us as Saints forgive each other and learn to love one another and come together in unity. I pray we won't wait until we are prodded to do so. The Kingdom would be here much quicker if we did. I love you all, I appreciate all of your prayers and ask that you will continue to pray for me for the next step in to getting well. I love you all!