

TESTIMONY OF PAMELA ROXANNE HOPE

I used to be a “stay at home” alcoholic. That means I didn’t go to parties or out to bars and other places to drink. I drank alone so I didn’t have to think about anything. I would drink until I passed out then wake up and drink some more. But all glory be to God for His mercy and grace for setting me free from alcohol. I didn’t start drinking alcohol until I was 28 years of age. Soon it became a daily routine for me to drink before work, after work, and eventually during work. This led to the loss of several high paying positions. My entire family was to the point of not really knowing what to do to help me outside of finding different hospitals to put me in. They thought I had lost my mind and this behavior continued until I was 41 years old. I had been divorced for several years and jobless. At the time, I didn’t have to work. My daughter left for the Navy, and my son was living on his own. This added to my not having any ambition or desire to do anything but drink. Then my grandmother introduced me to someone who led me to an outreach ministry in Martin, Georgia where I stayed and worked for about a year-and-a-half. From there, God took me to an outreach ministry in Gainesville, Georgia where I remained and worked for about four years before moving out on my own. After being sober all that time, and really believing that I had given my whole heart to God, I returned to drinking about eight months ago. God said, “NO! This is not my plan for you,” and He sent me to the Wings of Life Ministry on November 15, 2009. I am due to graduate on February 13, 2010. Through the unconditional love of God I am a new creation. I have been offered the great opportunity of remaining at the Wings of Life and continue to grow closer to the Lord in the Dove Foundation. Whatever God’s plan is for me, I will accept it with my whole heart this time. This is a “new time” for restoration, blessings and freedom for me. Jesus has given me the joy and hope back that I had allowed the devil to steal. It brings me peace that can only come from the Prince of Peace.

POEM FROM A LIFER

A sinner I was and will always be, but now I’m forgiven because Jesus died for me.
He’s given me happiness, peace and joy. Yes, He has made a very happy boy.
The troubles of life don’t hurt so badly, because **HE** helps me out, I’m a very lucky lad.
The fellowship He’s given me is O’ so great, because with my Christian friends there is no hate.
He saved my soul from eternal hell, and as an instrument He has used Mel.
Now I am totally forgiven, and it’s time for thanks & praise to be given.
The first thanks to be given, in excitement I would like to boast, it goes to the Father, Son and Holy Ghost.
Second goes to all my friends who have helped me well, but special thanks goes to Mel.
To Mel I would like to say, you have helped me out in many a way.

Thank you Mel for taking me under your wing, you’ve taught me to cope with just about everything — even life without parole.
— Daniel