

Miraculous Healing in The Democratic Republic of the Congo
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We have reason to praise God for another Miracle which recently occurred with one of our Brothers of our Church in The Democratic Republic of the Congo, Africa.

On April 1st Brother Cipeng, our Church President in the D R Congo, notified me by e-mail that Brother Eugene Tshidimwenda Hegenluboya, an Ordained Teacher, was taken to the hospital with a life threatening skin disease. A picture of Brother Eugene sent to me showed the skin color of his face, arms and legs that had turned very black. His face was swollen and to look at the photo showing what had medically occurred to him brought a sense of sadness to me. Knowing Brother Eugene for the kind of person he is, always happy with a smile and easy with whom to strike up a conversation, like our Brothers and Sisters in the D R Congo, we became very concerned. He is a Congolese Brother I could speak to and hold a conversation with in the Italian language.

Brother Cipeng informed me many people in the Congo have died from this disease and the Elders were very concerned as were his wife, child and the Brothers and Sisters of the Katuba Branch. Brother Eugene has been a good asset to the Church in the Congo and knows the Faith of our Church and the Restoration message very well. He has been our interpreter when visiting with the church membership, during our preaching and the conducting of seminars.

When this sad news reached me, immediately word was sent to our IMOC officers, Sector Mission Field Chairman soliciting prayer for Brother Eugene. A miracle was needed and God was the only one whom we could turn to for that Blessing.

Let us remember the appeal of our Church President Brother Paul Palmieri at our General Church Conference requesting the Church worldwide come together into prayer and fasting for God's blessing upon The Church of Jesus Christ for the growth of the Church abroad and domestically so we would see more miracles in our midst. The date was set for Saturday May 3rd. Having a great love for our Brothers and Sister and the missionary work of the Church in Africa, my request was to each Field Chairman that they send out a message to the President of the Church in the country they are responsible to oversee, to have their entire membership to join us in fasting and praying. It has been my responsibility to be in constant communication with the Priesthood of the D R Congo and Zambia, our newest established mission field,

I requested should there be an outpouring of God's healing and they would have an experience of some kind inform me as soon as possible.

May the 3rd I received another E-mail from Brother Cipeng giving me an update on the medical condition of Brother Eugene. The report was not very good. His face had become swollen to the extent where it affected his eyes and both were completely closed and he could no longer see. A photo was sent to show to what extent our Brothers condition had become. Some of us who have been blest to visit and spend time with Brother Eugene and the Saints of The Church can attest God is no respecter of persons. He has shown His power of healing

a number of times among the Church Membership in this country. We have heard of those whom the Doctors had given no hope for life among the adults to the restoring of health and life to some the children of the Saints who were at death's door, God's love and the manifestation of His power have been seen many times.

A greater effort was needed in the exercising of faith so God would hear the prayers, cries and the pleas of His People. God has never disappointed us.

The words of Jesus come to mind as I type this message. Matthew Chap 7 – 7th verse: ***Ask and it shall be given you, Seek and ye shall find, Knock and it shall be opened unto you.*** Verse 8. ***For everyone that asketh, receiveth, and he that seeketh, findeth and to him that knocketh it shall be opened.***

For us to receive these blessings from the Lord, it is necessary and important to exercise **FAITH.**

On the 6th of June word came to me by e-mail from Brother Cipeng the **miracle** for which we had been praying became a reality. Brother Eugene was completely healed and had begun to attend Church services several times in his branch of Katuba. ***“Can we give Praise to our Loving God?” YES we can with all of our heart.***

When I read the news of brother Cipeng's e-mail, I could not contain myself and immediately called and spoke to him by phone asking whether it was as he had informed me. His reply was, “Brother Eugene is healed.”

The chorus of a song Sister Ester Dyer wrote came to me:

***Hallelujah! the Gospel is restored,
To all those who love and serve the Lord!
To young Joseph he did give
The pattern we should live
Hallelujah, yes the Gospel is Restored.***

Many of our Brothers and Sisters in different countries throughout the world have embraced the Restored Gospel, and because doing so, they are enjoying the same blessings as we have.

God Bless one and all