

**TESTIMONY OF DR. LILLIAN YEOMANS, WINNIPEG,  
MANITOBA  
HEALED OF MORPHINE AND CHLORAL**

Dr. Yeomans said, "I would ask my brethren and sisters in Christ just to pray for me. I give this testimony today because the love of Christ constrains me to do it. I cannot say it is a pleasant task for me to do it, but the love of Christ constrains me. I have suffered such agonies myself from my addiction to narcotic drugs, morphia sulphate, and chloral hydrate that I am glad to testify, if by any chance God may use my testimony to some person who is in the same dreadful, deplorable condition, which I was in only a few weeks ago.

"I am a regular physician, a graduate in 1882, of Ann Arbor, Michigan. My father was a regular physician and surgeon in the United States Army, during a part of the Civil War. He was in the army at the time of his death. My mother is a regular physician not practicing. She is lecturing, at present, for the W. C. T. U. in Canada, but she is also a regular graduated physician of Ann Arbor, Michigan.

About four years ago I became a slave to morphine, and perhaps eighteen months later, a slave also to chloral hydrate. The craving for the drug was absolutely irresistible. I believe that if I had known that hell were open to swallow me, that I should have had to take my regular daily dose of morphine at the regular hour, which was five o'clock in the afternoon. If I had been in a desert, or out on the ocean, without a watch, I would have known when it was a quarter to five by my feelings, and if I had not the drug my agony was simply intolerable.

"People will come to those who are addicted to morphine and say, 'Why do you not stop it? Why do you not stop it?' Well, they might just as well have said to me, 'Why do you not stop breathing?' Just as well. Why the very fact that they are able to stand up and able to put two words together and eat at all, and they generally eat but little, is a proof that they have taken morphine; that is, where they are completely enslaved by it.

Now that was my case, and, if there is a single person in this house who takes morphine, I stand here to tell you, you cannot be more of a slave to it than I was. When I came here three weeks ago I took five grains of the sulphate of morphine, each 24 hours, and I was also taking from ninety to one hundred grains of chloral hydrate every twenty-four hours. I have taken as much as 120 grains, perhaps more, of the chloral hydrate every twenty-four hours. However, when my sister weighed it for me, she would not give me more than ninety grains. It is a powerful hypnotic, that is, it puts people to sleep, and one never knows when going to sleep under the influence of a tremendous dose of chloral, whether they will wake up on this planet or not.

"Well, my reason for coming to Zion, was not that I had lost confidence in the efficacy of means, but because it seemed to me, God told me very clearly that He would not deliver me from this by means. I asked again and again under what physician's care I might place myself; what sanitarium I might go to, but God never satisfactorily answered. I seemed to get an absolute negative answer. God seemed to say plainly, 'I am the Lord that healeth thee' and so I came down to Zion, and brought a large quantity of morphine and chloral with me, which Dr. Speicher promptly took away.

"Now I am perfectly free from that craving for morphine. I have gained fully twenty-five pounds I think, and I have a ravenous appetite. I have been sleeping well for fully ten days, and I feel I am completely delivered from morphine and chloral, for which I give God the praise."

Dr. Dowie: Now, Doctor, will you sit down for a moment? You are a graduate of Ann Arbor for sixteen years?

Dr. Yeomans: "I graduated in 1882."

Dr. Dowie: When our sister came to Zion, there was done to her what is done to all. Every single drug must be given up. Neither drugs, nor tobacco, nor liquor, nor pork are used in Zion. Certain things are absolutely debarred. I still have the drugs that she brought with her. That which is the most striking part of this testimony is not concerning the morphine. Mr. Imler's case is more striking in that respect; for he was an absolute victim for thirty-six years. But Dr. Lillian Yeomans is without parallel in this - that I do not believe there ever has been any record of a person taking from ninety to a hundred grains of chloral hydrate in every twenty-four hours, and living to tell the tale. There is not one of you here who has not used that drug, but that this dose would kill outright. But our sister took it every twenty-four hours in that enormous quantity, not mixed with some other drug, but taken with pure water. Now, that is the wonderful thing, and I am going to have a confirmation of it.

#### MISS C. A. YEOMANS, WINNIPEG, MANITOBA, CONFIRMS THE TESTIMONY OF HER SISTER

Miss Yeomans, the nurse, come down here, please. (Miss Yeomans comes upon the platform.) Miss Yeomans is the nurse of her sister, and a graduate of the Cook County Hospital. When did you graduate? Miss Yeomans: "In 1885."

Dr. Dowie: Thirteen years. Now will you just add whatever words the Lord may lead you to?

Miss Yeomans: " Well, I would just like to say, speaking entirely as a trained nurse, that I have had some experience. I had a good deal of faith, but not much understanding in Divine Healing when I came. What amazed me in this case was the power of God. How wonderfully it

was manifested. It seemed to me as each symptom became unbearable to my patient, it was just smoothed over quietly, so that God let her have a certain amount, but just as she was able to stand it.

For the first twenty-four hours she had a great deal of diarrhea and vomiting; so much so that at last the stools were nothing but blood, and I was a little bit frightened from a professional standpoint. I said this patient should be receiving drink and some sort of stimulation, and should receive some carefully prepared nourishment in order to support her system under these trying circumstances. I knew any means would be lack of faith in God, and I simply asked God to do what He thought best in the case, and just as each symptom became more than she could stand, it was just smoothed over. In the first place the diarrhea stopped, and then the nausea stopped, and then I saw how little she rolled about when asleep. The terrible restlessness of a morphia patient is something fearful. I cannot explain it, but just as it got too much it was stopped in answer to prayer. I asked you, Dr. Dowie, to pray one night especially, and this terrible restlessness stopped, and since then she has been able to sleep."

Dr. Dowie: "Now, Doctor, there is one thing more. I may as well have it out with you. I had it out at the beginning. Dr. Lillian Yeomans said in her testimony, when she came here she had not lost faith in remedies. I pitched into her straight on that question, the very first day, did I not?"

Dr. Yeomans: " Yes."

Dr. Dowie: "And I tell you this, that my conviction is that if Dr. Yeomans had held that conviction regarding the use of remedies, that she never would have been healed, and she knows it. You have got to give up, wholly and entirely, every bit of confidence in drugs, Have you given up all confidence? Tell us now?"

Dr. Yeomans: " Yes, I have certainly."

Dr. Dowie: "Are you going to use drugs any more?"

Dr. Yeomans: "No, I am not." (Applause.)

Dr. Dowie: Well, then, that is all right. We do not need drugs at all when we have got God, and Dr. Yeomans would not be living today, but for Zion and Divine Healing.