

Miracles, Today?

Escaping Death: With only 10 hours to live, how one man beat cancer

No one made it out of the 13th floor alive. That was the word around the National Institute of Health in Bethesda, Maryland. It was the ward for incurable patients, and it reeked of despair, depression, and death. It was the last place in the world that 22-year old Brian Wills thought he'd ever be. A tennis player at the prime of his physical health, he had plans to tour in Europe.

Until doctors found a golf-ball sized mass in his abdomen and admitted him to NIH. They bypassed the typical inpatient rooms and settled him directly in the 13th floor.

He had Burkitt's lymphoma.

This extremely fast-growing cancer could kill a child within 24 hours. Within a matter of days, the tumor had grown to the size of a basketball and was spreading through Wills' entire body. His right kidney had stopped functioning, and the other was about to erupt. The doctor gave a grim prognosis: "I give him 10 hours or less to live."

In this moment, as Wills stared death in the face – a death so close he could reach out and touch it – he decided to live.



Your Identity Without Sickness

"I'm a cripple." "I've got cancer." "I can't lose weight." "I'm depressed." "I'm always getting sick." You may have heard people define themselves in these ways and many others. It could be they've attached sickness to their identity.

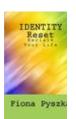
But is that really who they are?

Imagine your biggest dreams, the ones that set your heart alive. These dreams come from the very root of you, the YOU that God created. God has filled you with dreams and commanded you to go, create, multiply, LIVE. God created you with a great purpose in mind.

Anything that hinders or stops God's great plan is a thief and an intruder, and must be kicked out of your life. If you struggle with an abuser, an addiction, a depression, or a sickness, see it for what it is — a life-sucker and purpose-squelcher. And God wants it gone!

Sickness is *not* part of God's plan for you. He didn't create sickness in the Garden of Eden. And He didn't include sickness in His design of you. It's part of the curse of sin. The curse that you can be free of in Jesus!

Come visit us at Victory Christian Fellowship for the Healing and Restoration Women's Conference, and learn how to overcome sickness and live a life of freedom and victory!



Pastor Fíona Pyszka



As the 10-hour countdown began, Wills turned to God. Believing that God did not author sickness, but instead had a plan for life, Wills grabbed onto God's words and refused to let go.

From the moment of the diagnosis, Wills and his family had posted Bible verses around his walls . They'd refused to accept death, and had chosen not to speak any fearful words. Now was the moment of truth.

As the 22-year old sought God for his life, God showed him a person whom he needed to forgive. Wills acted immediately and called the man. The clock kept ticking.

The night nurse crept into the room to see if her patient had died. Wills checked the clock. It had been 10 hours. Suddenly the nurse shrieked, "Your kidney! It's started working!" The doctors were stumped, the psychologists continued to prepare Wills for imminent death, a Catholic priest stopped by to read him his final rites, but Wills continued to stand on God's word. All around him on the 13th floor, cancers continued to grow, and patients succumbed to death. But in Wills' room, the atmosphere was different. The tumor was shrinking. The doctor ordered a CT scan, and returned with a stunned look on his face. "Brian, there is no evidence of disease. The tumor that had spread throughout your whole body is gone. There are no traces of Burkitt's Lymphoma."

Wills was healed! Today he is an ordained minister and has founded Healing for the Nations. He and his wife, Beth, travel the world sharing the keys to receiving healing from any disease. Because if God could get him out of the 13th floor alive, God has power to help anyone out of any situation, no matter how desperate.

Read more about Wills' amazing story, his second near-death experience, and steps to receive healing from God in his book, 10 Hours to Live. Come and hear Brian and Beth Wills live in Palmyra, PA during the annual Women's Conference at Victory Christian Fellowship, June 21-22. See below.

