## **Testimony Of Grace Roch**

## "A New Name Written Down In Glory"

I was born and raised in a good Christian family. During my growing up years, my family was a missionary to the Mormons in Idaho. We were one hour from the Utah border and two hours from Salt Lake City, Utah. The town we lived in was 95% Mormon. My father pastored a small mission there called "Blessed Truth Baptist Mission" for ten years. At a very early age, I was taught about the Lord and His Word. I thought I was saved at a young age, but it was not until I attended a Summer Bible Camp in Utah at the age of twelve-years-old that I realized that I was not saved. I went for two to three months after coming back from Bible Camp struggling with the fact of knowing I was not saved. I would lay in bed at night so afraid the Lord would come and take my family to Heaven and I would be left behind. Over and over again, I would pray for the Lord to save me but I could not find peace that He truly did save me. It was a Sunday morning before church on September 6, 1998, while I was talking to my dad about my need to be saved, when I finally came as a simple child and accepted the God's gift of salvation and I trusted in the Lord Jesus Christ as my personal Saviour. I will never forget the joy and peace that overflowed me as I knew my sins have been forgiven and that I now had a home in Heaven. That morning in Church we sang the song "A New Name Written Down In Glory" and I sang that song with all my might as I knew that my name was now written down in Heaven.

Since the Lord saved me on that Sunday, the Lord began to do a great work in my life. I fell in love with my God and His Word, and I began to grow as a Christian. I honestly do not know what influenced me to want to serve the Lord in India, but I remember not too long after I was saved I was having my daily devotions with the Lord and I knew without a doubt the Lord had called me to India. It was not until June 2013 after attending Bible College and Nursing School that I finally arrived to India.

On June 9, 2013, I married Lordson Roch pastor of Grace and Truth Baptist Church and together as husband and wife we are happily serving the Lord in Goa, India. I count it a great privilege to be serving the Lord alongside of my beloved husband in this dark land of India, and I am humbled by the opportunities I have to be a used of the Lord at Grace and Truth Baptist Church. It has been such a joy seeing many people turn from their religion and idolatry to the Lord Jesus Christ and watch as their lives begin to blossom for the Lord their Saviour. I have found a special ministry in being a friend to our young girls in our church and ministering through music. I have met countless people since arriving to India, and I am so happy that through our ministry many people are being reached with the Gospel. I truly every day stand in awe of how God is using this ministry in India and what God has done and will continue to do as my husband and I continue to step out in faith and watch as the Lord gives the increase.

Since arriving to India, I have grown in the Lord in many ways that I never would of in the United States. In the United States, the Christian life is made to seem so "easy" but through the example and teaching of my dear husband and through hours of prayer and Bible reading, I am learning the richness and depth of walking with the Lord. I am truly beginning to understand what it means to deny yourself and take up your cross and follow the Lord. I am so thankful for the journey the Lord is taking me on as a Christian and my whole desire is that my life maybe an example of Christ's love and that in everything I do I may bring honor and glory to His name. I can say I am nothing but just a sinner saved by grace who needs the Lord's help and renewing every moment of every day so that I maybe a vessel that can be used of the Lord to bring many souls to Christ.



