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Karen Addressing the Crowd as Class Speaker at Graduation

## THE FREEDOM SHE NEVER THOUGHT POSSIBLE | CHARIS UK

*If the Son therefore shall make you free, ye shall be free indeed.*

John 8:36

Every day through Charis Bible College, lives around the world are being transformed as students encounter the truth of God's Word. They are being set free from the very things the world says will bind them for life and are discovering the freedom that only Jesus can bring.

### Breaking Free from the Past

For years, Charis UK student Karen Dukes lived under the crushing weight of shame and self-hatred after enduring sexual abuse as a child. **The pain followed her into adulthood, eventually taking a devastating toll on her relationships with her husband, daughter, and mother.** But her life began to change when a friend invited her to church, where she was introduced to Andrew Wommack's teachings.

As the message of grace gave Karen hope for lasting freedom, she decided to go all in and enroll at our Charis campus in Exeter.

Reflecting on her journey, Karen said, "With the background I had, I disliked myself very much. I hated what I saw. I hated who I was. And then I became a student at Charis. Every module built on the one before it. So it was almost like learning a facet of the Lord and then another one and then another one. It was sort of like jigsaw pieces coming together. **I was delivered from the sexual abuse I experienced. It's not there anymore. I'm not ashamed.** It was like a root being ripped up."

### A Life Transformed from the Inside Out

But the impact went far beyond how she viewed her past. It changed how she saw herself and affected every area of her life.

During our recent Charis graduation ceremony in the UK, Karen stood before

a packed auditorium as the class representative and boldly shared the hope and joy she had found in Christ.

Later, reflecting on how God had changed her life, she said, "When I was growing up, I'd perhaps see somebody and think, *Oh, I want to be like them.* **Now my inside matches my outside, and I'm joyful. I'm the person I've always wanted to be.**"

Karen didn't just find healing from her past; she also experienced restoration in every area of her life that once felt broken. Her marriage is flourishing, her relationship with her daughter has been renewed, and today, she is able to lovingly care for her mother.

Karen added, "Now when I look at myself, I see Jesus. I can see what He has done in me, through me. **My marriage is stronger, flourishing like I could have only ever hoped for. My relationship with my daughter is restored.** And what Jesus has done in me has enabled me to have compassion on my mum and look after her."

### A New Purpose, a New Future

**Having experienced healing and restoration firsthand, Karen wants others to know that they can experience it too.**

As she prepares to begin Year 3 at Charis in the UK, she is committed to sharing the hope she's found and pointing others to Jesus.

Karen explained, "**I want to show people that they can break free from mental health issues, addiction, abuse.** I want to speak for Jesus, to shine for Him."

**Karen's story is just one example of what God is doing through faithful World Outreach Partners like you.** Through your generosity, Charis Bible College is reaching people around the world with the power of God's Word and giving students like Karen the opportunity to experience lasting freedom.

Karen expressed her gratitude this way: "I am so thankful for Charis. I thank the partners. **If it weren't for them, I wouldn't**



Karen with Carrie Pickett at Grace & Faith UK



Karen Full of Joy at Charis

**be here. I wouldn't be free. I wouldn't be healed.** Thank you from the bottom of my heart. And my heart is so much bigger now than it ever was because of Andrew Wommack Ministries."

Karen's story is a powerful reminder that when Jesus sets someone free, that freedom changes everything. Thank you for helping make stories like hers possible as the truth of God's Word continues to transform lives around the world.

*Quotations edited for length and clarity.*



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