became sick again on the coach and in the Handsworth, Birmingham area went into a coma and was taken to City Road Hospital. News got through to the family of his location and also that he had been drinking Jamaican rum and had forgotten to take his insulin tablets for his diabetic condition.

My partner, daughter and myself went to visit my father in the hospital. He was connected to a life support machine and was wearing an oxygen mask - I kissed him on the forehead and he was cold and clammy; it reminded me of "Causality" - the TV show! The next day we learned that he has passed away. We also learned that he was subsequently awake for about one hourthis brought a measure of hope to me because I hoped that he had repented during that time and had been saved.

Moreover I realized that I wasn't saved! At that time my life was no

different from my father's life- I was partying, clubbing, smoking weed, chasing girls and had a great void in my life. I knew I had to make some changes. The day my father died I stopped drinking and smoking.

About 3 weeks after his death, I went home from partying with tears rolling down my face - I realized I was lost.

The Holy Bible says:- "The LORD is nigh unto them that are of a broken heart; and saveth such as be of a contrite spirit." (Psalm 34:18).

My father's death caused me to "wake up!" I knelt down and prayed the sinners' prayer similar to the one below. Immediately afterwards the emptiness in my heart was replaced with the joy, peace, hope and the overwhelming love of God.

Have been saved now for 25 years and I thank Jesus for saving my soul and forgiving my sins. Would like to

say to anyone who is of a broken heart and all those who have no hope, you can find salvation through Christ Jesus. Also whatever you are going through Jesus will not let you down or forsake you.

## Are You A Good Person?

We die because we have sinned against God!

Look at the Ten Commandments to see if this is true:

Have you ever lied? Stolen anything?
Used God's name in vain?

Is so you are a lying, thieving, blasphemer.

This is by your own admission.

You have to stand before God on Judgment Day.

Will you be innocent or guilty?
Will you go to heaven or hell?
If guilty, the answer is hell.

This does not have to be, there is ONE WAY out. You broke the law, Jesus paid your fine.

Repent (turn from sin) and trust in Jesus.

Below is a suggested prayer which you could pray out ALOUD from your heart.

Heavenly Father ... I admit I am a sinner and need your forgiveness; I believe that Jesus Christ died in my place paying the penalty for my sins; I am willing right now to turn from my sin and accept Jesus Christ as my personal Saviour and Lord. I commit myself to you and ask you to send the Holy Spirit into my life, to fill me and take control, and to help me become the kind of person you want me to be. Thank-you Father for loving me. In Jesus' name, Amen.

To continue as a true believer you must follow the Lord Jesus Christ. This involves regularly:

1. Read the Bible; 2. Pray to God in Jesus' name; 3. Fellowship with other born-again believers; 4. Get baptized in water.

## \*Scripture Verses On Photograph

John 3:16, 17 For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life. For God sent not his Son into the world to condemn the world; but that the world through him might be saved.

John 14:6 Jesus saith unto him, I am the way, the truth, and the life: no man cometh unto the Father, but by me.

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## Milestone 1990 by Dennis

A significant milestone year for me was 1990; it was the year my daughter was born and the year my father went back to Jamaica for the first time after leaving there 22 years previously. I was also to experience some other major changes that year.



Dennis showing people THE WAY on New Street, Birmingham \*

My father stayed with his mother in Jamaica and their meeting up again together was an emotional one. While in the West Indies my father became seriously ill and was transferred to a hospital in Kingston for a period. When he returned to England he