

Living Hope

“God Remembered and Answered Me”- Ujunwa Elyin’s Story

Sometimes we think God has forgotten us, sometimes we feel He is not hearing us when we pray. Mrs. Ujunwa Elyin felt the same way for 10 years as she cried unto God.

Ujunwa is a young Nigerian banker who got married at an early age to her cherished husband. As is the case with most marriages in Africa, the expectation is that the woman will conceive not too long following her marriage. However, after 10 years of marriage, Ujunwa was unable to conceive. Her husband and in-laws were displeased, she was frustrated and felt worthless. While Ujunwa waited to conceive, she noticed that her abdomen continued to distend. Many in her community described her as a woman with prolonged pregnancy that never delivers. The reason for her distended abdomen was that she had uterine fibroid disease. Most people teased or gossiped about her. They did not understand the nature of her illness. Eventually, her husband ran out of patience and filed for a divorce.

Ujunwa scheduled for and had a Myomectomy surgery performed to remove the mass and save her uterus. After the surgery, she continued with her life and remarried, but she tried to get pregnant and could not.



Chinasa, Dr Kennedy Okere, Chinazam, Ujunwa Elyin

She decided to seek help from her twin brother Mr. Collins Ekeyi who lives in the United States. Mr. Collins Ekeyi is a friend to Dr. Kennedy Okere, a family physician practicing medicine in the United States. Dr. Okere is also the President and Founder of Horizon International Medical Mission, Inc (HIMM). Mr. Ekeyi consulted with Dr. Okere, and Dr. Okere decided to help. Upon examining her, the medical team found out that the first surgery was not well done and needed to be corrected.

Dr. Okere consulted with Dr. Felix Acholonu concerning Ujunwa. Dr. Acholonu is Board certified in Obstetrics and Gynecology at Jacksonville, Florida. He is also a fellow HIMM missionary and patient advocate. Upon examining her, Dr. Acholonu found out that the



Collins Ekeyi, Grandma Ekeyi

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first surgery was not well done and needed to be corrected. Dr. Acholonu performed the corrective surgery on Ujunwa, and she returned to Nigeria. He brought her hope .

Some months after the surgery, Ujunwa called from Nigeria, letting all know that she is pregnant. She returned to the United States for Dr. Acholonu to deliver her baby. She had not 1, but 2 babies! Ujunwa had a set of twin girls.

One year after birth, the happy family paid a courtesy visit from Nigeria to Dr. Okere in Georgia, US. This brought joy to all of us involved, we gave praise to God for He remembered and answered as promised. Ujunwa said that she s indebted to Dr. Acholonu and Dr. Okere - HIMM missionaries for being vessels God could use to answer prayers. To her twin brother C, she lacks the appropriate words to say thank you for being there for her when she needed him.

HIMM will continue to remember those who are neglected or forgotten and those who cry secretly and act as a connecting bridge that will bring confidence and hope to the hopeless. We have demonstrated this act by helping those with heart disease, tumors, and various illnesses to obtain free treatment in different parts of the world.



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