

When you pray for a miracle

Walking upright is quite a feat for us humans when you stop to think about it; nevertheless we just take it for granted, don't we? In point of fact it's surprising that we don't fall over more often. When we do it can be embarrassing and painful. Some years ago Maureen Prothero here came a cropper and got her left knee all banged up thanks to a fall. In true husbandly fashion her other half gave her the sympathy she needed and added laconically that the damage would most likely lead to arthritis. Sadly, it was one of those predictions that the late Mr. Prothero got right.

As the condition worsened, life became a trial. Getting out of the car Maureen explained was awful. "I seemed to be dragging my left foot along the ground as I tried to walk," she said. Well, Maureen is a committed Christian lady and like anyone who has given their lives to The Lord, she prayed for His help. No sooner prayed than done, she met an old friend; Edna Cox, who recommended an acupuncture session as the best way to find relief. "It did me the world of good. After just five sessions I was feeling great," she said. It did her so much good in fact that she took her husband along to get help with his painful knees. Maureen's husband passed away three years ago, but she says that with God's help she 'keeps on keeping on'. By 2015 the arthritis had crept to other parts of Maureen's body; both knees were now affected but so were her wrists, shoulders and fingers, the latter of which were showing the tell-tale signs of this painful condition. Glucosamine and Rose Hip Syrup (in tablet form) offered a measured alleviation of the symptoms, but nothing was working to take the pain away completely. Again she decided to let acupuncture come to the rescue and booked herself in to the Chinese Herbcare and Acupuncture Centre on the High Street. Once again, the results were astonishing, granting her free



When you've had severe arthritic pain taken away by acupuncture, we think you're permitted to celebrate like this!

and unfettered mobility once more, even allowing her to run to meet the post on one occasion. A couple of years ago; unbeknownst to Maureen, an old friend and village neighbour of hers, Val Richardson was suffering from osteoarthritis. Her eventual recovery by this very acupuncture centre was so astounding in fact that Grantham Now had covered her story back in the 2017 spring issue. In that edition we'd written; 'Val freely admits that she knew very little about acupuncture but seeing her friend so much improved she thought she had nothing to lose by trying it out'. That friend of hers was Maureen. In those 'Mysterious Way of His' Maureen seems to have been led to meet Val at Robin Hood's bay in Yorkshire near to where she was enjoying a holiday. Val was

flabbergasted to learn that Maureen had walked the nine miles from her hotel to the seaside resort, yet more so when she learned how Maureen had been able to achieve such a monumental transformation in her health from acupuncture. It took no persuasion for Val to take on board Maureen's recommend for her to visit the Chinese Herbcare and Acupuncture Centre. Val's recovery was so complete that she sent Maureen a lovely bouquet of flowers to say thank you.

Well, Maureen loves her acupuncture sessions. She lies on the bed with the painless needles in place and relaxes to soothing Chinese music and the heat of an electromagnetic lamp warming the areas being treated. It so soothing she says that she often falls in to a deep sleep; better still is the feel good feeling she has at the end of the session. She describes it as 'A totally holistic sensation', which perhaps sums up what acupuncture is all about better than all the words written about it. It just goes to show, a little prayer, a little faith, a few little needles and whole life changed for the better. No wonder Maureen is full of joy.



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