

**Corrected (highlighted) BBC website Article about Philip Sauvage, March 2006
(omitting the lies and slander by corrupt BBC reporters and editors)**

Faith healer

Inside Out investigates the religious healer who people in the South West are talking about.

Philippe Sauvage (aka Philip Savage) is a French man from Brittany whose website claims he can heal everything from terminal illness to the environmental ills of the planet.

But his healing comes at a cost.

Earlier this year, an 81 year old widow had a visit from her friend Alison McDermott.

Alison was a nurse and wanted to tell Rhoda Cansick about the incredible powers of Philippe Sauvage.

Rhoda had a bad back and her friend said that Sauvage could heal it, but she had to go to Switzerland to see him: (Picture caption: Rhoda's health treatment would cost £30,000.)

“I said how much would it cost to go to Switzerland and that's when she said £30,000. So I said I couldn't afford that. She said I could possibly mortgage my house.”

Donations to Sauvage's organization appear extraordinary because his "powers" are superhuman, but we want to know if that's true.

Super healer

Fifteen years ago, in 1990, Sauvage appeared on a popular French TV show entitled "Gwezh: the Unbelievable Healer.

On with him were five people who said they'd been healed by him. (Picture caption: Philippe Sauvage on popular TF1 talk show)

After the show, thousands of viewers contacted Sauvage for help, which many received.

In 1991, Sauvage travelled to Greenland to set up a scientific Institute, and then to Canada and California to file for political asylum from French government persecution. In 1995, a French court found Sauvage guilty of not showing up for a trial against him (and the TF1 television producer and host) and sentenced him in absentia.

While in California, he met sociologist Jane Dillon. Together they set up Catharsis - Biognostic Unit of Geonoetics, a not for profit religious corporation with the stated aim of saving the earth.

The Plymouth connection

Two years ago, a Plymouth couple met Dr. Jane Dillon who was visiting the UK and staying across the street.

They became very interested in meeting Philippe Sauvage who was now based in Europe.

Simon Rhodes and Viktoria Hartridge made a donation to Catharsis, were thrilled to meet with Sauvage, and started to spread the word about him to their friends. Eventually, they introduced two other people, a teacher named Susie Haslam and the nurse Alison McDermott, who also met Sauvage. (Picture caption: Simon and Viktoria recommended Sauvage to others.)

In total, Simon calculated that he, Viktoria, their friends and other students from the UK who went to meet Sauvage donated £100,000 to the Catharsis non-profit. Jenny, from West Devon, also came to hear of Philippe Sauvage from Alison.

In June 2004, Jenny flew to see him in Switzerland where she met Grant and a dozen or so others. Jenny contributed £7000 to Catharsis and met Sauvage.

Grant donated nothing to Catharsis but wanted Sauvage to help a friend's sick child because he'd been led to believe that distant healing was well within Sauvage's powers. Grant was told that his friend would have to ask for help for his own child. (Picture caption: Grant wanted help for a friend's sick child.)

Healing Powers

Eighteen months ago, Sauvage was living in Rome.

Susie Haslam, Victoria's teacher friend from East Devon, worked briefly for him as an unpaid nanny, having donated £12,000 to Catharsis.

Most of the students who went to meet Sauvage read his new website, www.thulea.org, which was filled with medical studies and tests to demonstrate his ability to heal - at a distance - for example, children with severe burns.

One study, Dr. Jane Dillon says, was carried out at one of America's top burns units, with staff pediatrician, Dr. Matt Young. We interviewed the Center's owner, Dr. Peter Grossman, who told us Jane Dillon asked if she could pray for patients.

On its website, Catharsis also claims Sauvage healed a man called Buz Crump of AIDS and provides a signed medical report by Mr. Crump's doctor:

"There is in my understanding so far, no medical explanation (other than drug therapy) to explain why Buz Crump's viral load had such a dramatic decline from an average of 37,000 copies to a test result of less than <50 copies in August 2004.... In Buz Crump's case, there has been little or no significant variation in Mr. Crump's medication regimen for the past two and one-half years."

For Pier Forlani and his family, Sauvage helped his son Christian get rid of a 20-year long history of drug abuse and violent behavior. Christian says Sauvage saved his life and is very grateful.

Recent students

Among those who have donated to Catharsis are local followers Christopher Layton, from Devon, and Alison McDermott, from Cornwall.

Both are recent students who genuinely believe in Sauvage and are happy to tell others.

We've no evidence the local followers have ever benefited financially or deceived people. We wanted to find out how Catharsis works and set up secret recordings with an actress who met with Mr. Layton without him knowing she was an actress hired by us.

Mr. Layton has been distributing a letter to his friends in which he cites Sauvage's "clinically attested cures" for aids and cancer.

We interviewed Mr. Layton at his home near Tavistock. He claims to have never heard of the Cancer Act, but says:

"If someone who has cancer misses the opportunity to get healed, I don't think it's a good law."

He adds:

"I remain convinced that [Sauvage] is a genuine, a valid healer" (since he greatly helped many people I know, including myself and my young daughter.)

Our actress also called Jane Dillon, who tells her Sauvage can save lives and discussed the cost:

"The minimum is £30,000. That's a health contract."

Checking the facts

Some weeks later Jane Dillon agreed to be interviewed.

She tells us what Philippe Sauvage does :

"He helps people spiritually, and the results show physically, emotionally, psychologically. That's what he does."

Dr. Dillon also confirmed the unprecedented positive results of the Burn Study at the Grossman Burn Center and clarified how large donations are freely given by members to Catharsis and used for their humanitarian projects. (See www.PSproof.com)

Miraculous healings

Meanwhile, a number of other students of Sauvage agreed to be interviewed.

One after another, they say how wonderful Sauvage is, how he's changed their lives, how they've witnessed miraculous healings. (Picture caption: Pier's son, Christian Forlani, says Sauvage saved his life).

Inside Out asked to interview Philippe Sauvage who responded, through Jane Dillon, that he will talk with us after we test him on severe burn cases.

Around the South West and around the world, there are hundreds of people who would like to see those results, who want to know the truth. (See www.FireBurnDoctor.com)