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00:00:00,000 --> 00:00:11,520

Can one woman possess special powers to heal the sick?

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00:00:11,520 --> 00:00:12,840

She knows everything about you.

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00:00:12,840 --> 00:00:14,840

The present, the past, and the future.

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00:00:14,840 --> 00:00:17,880

Modern medicine failed to help a little boy walk.

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00:00:17,880 --> 00:00:20,520

His parents believed she cured him with a touch.

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00:00:20,520 --> 00:00:22,680

He was so strong.

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00:00:22,680 --> 00:00:24,680

The miracle healer then.

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00:00:24,680 --> 00:00:27,440

It appeared to be a boomerang shape.

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00:00:27,440 --> 00:00:29,240

I can't believe it.

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00:00:29,240 --> 00:00:32,800

There are a lot of families on explainable UFO video

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00:00:32,800 --> 00:00:33,800

on the next sightings.

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00:00:33,800 --> 00:00:44,440

Can one woman possess special powers to heal the sick?

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00:00:44,440 --> 00:00:45,840

She knows everything about you.

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00:00:45,840 --> 00:00:47,840

The present, the past, and the future.

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00:00:47,840 --> 00:00:51,000

Modern medicine failed to help a little boy walk.

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00:00:51,000 --> 00:00:54,160

His parents believed she cured him with a touch.

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00:00:54,160 --> 00:00:56,480

The miracle healer on the next sightings.

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00:00:59,240 --> 00:01:03,880

Can one woman possess special powers to heal the sick?

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00:01:03,880 --> 00:01:06,800

Modern medicine failed to help a little boy walk.

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00:01:06,800 --> 00:01:09,400

His parents believed she cured him with a touch.

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00:01:09,400 --> 00:01:11,360

The miracle healer on sightings.

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00:01:11,360 --> 00:01:13,760

She knows the present, the past, and the future.

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00:01:13,760 --> 00:01:24,320

Can one woman possess special powers to heal the sick?

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00:01:24,320 --> 00:01:28,320

On the next sightings.

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00:01:28,320 --> 00:01:30,400

On the next sightings.

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00:01:58,400 --> 00:01:59,400

She knows everything about you.

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00:01:59,400 --> 00:02:02,400

The present, the past, and the future.

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00:02:07,400 --> 00:02:09,400

He was so strong.

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00:02:09,400 --> 00:02:14,400

It appeared to be a boomerang shape.

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00:02:14,400 --> 00:02:16,400

I can't believe it.

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00:02:28,400 --> 00:02:30,400

She knows everything about you.

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00:02:30,400 --> 00:02:32,400

The present, the past, and the future.

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00:02:58,320 --> 00:03:01,400

She knows the present, the past, and the future.

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00:03:28,400 --> 00:03:31,400

On this edition of Sightings.

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00:03:31,400 --> 00:03:33,400

You going?

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00:03:33,400 --> 00:03:35,400

You see?

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00:03:35,400 --> 00:03:38,400

Dramatic new video of a mysterious high-flying disc

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00:03:38,400 --> 00:03:41,400

in one of America's most active UFO hotspots.

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00:03:41,400 --> 00:03:43,400

It doesn't look like any conventional aircraft.

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00:03:43,400 --> 00:03:46,400

Sightings looks at the strange phenomena in the skies

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00:03:46,400 --> 00:03:49,400

above Colorado's San Louis Valley.

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00:03:49,400 --> 00:03:51,400

The ghosts of this small western mind

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00:03:51,400 --> 00:03:53,400

are the most powerful and powerful.

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00:03:53,400 --> 00:03:55,400

The world is a world of magic.

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00:03:55,480 --> 00:03:58,480

The ghosts of this small western mining town's past

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00:03:58,480 --> 00:04:01,480

were so real, you could almost feel them.

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00:04:01,480 --> 00:04:03,480

Now, you can hear them.

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00:04:04,480 --> 00:04:06,480

Listen.

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00:04:06,480 --> 00:04:09,480

Many people consider Maria Esperanza

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00:04:09,480 --> 00:04:12,480

to be the greatest mystic of this century.

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00:04:12,480 --> 00:04:15,480

Sightings goes to Venezuela to witness a miracle at Batania.

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00:04:15,480 --> 00:04:17,480

She knows everything about you.

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00:04:17,480 --> 00:04:19,480

The present, the past, and the future.

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00:04:19,480 --> 00:04:22,480

And Comet Halebond is heading toward Earth

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00:04:22,560 --> 00:04:25,560

at the rate of 600 miles per minute.

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00:04:25,560 --> 00:04:28,560

Are we prepared for its arrival?

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00:04:52,560 --> 00:04:55,560

Welcome to Sightings.

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00:04:55,560 --> 00:04:57,560

I'm Tim White.

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00:04:57,560 --> 00:04:59,560

After many years of reviewing home videos,

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00:04:59,560 --> 00:05:01,560

supposed UFOs, it takes a lot to impress

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00:05:01,560 --> 00:05:03,560

the Sightings investigative team.

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00:05:03,560 --> 00:05:05,560

But what you are about to see is among the most intriguing

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00:05:05,560 --> 00:05:07,560

UFO footage we've ever broadcast.

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00:05:07,560 --> 00:05:09,560

A brilliant disc-shaped craft

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00:05:09,560 --> 00:05:12,560

hovered over Salida, Colorado for more than an hour.

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00:05:22,560 --> 00:05:26,560

Tim Edwards has spent most of his life in Salida, Colorado.

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00:05:26,560 --> 00:05:29,560

He runs the cafe his dad started 20 years ago.

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00:05:29,560 --> 00:05:32,560

Tim's heard his whole life about fireballs,

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00:05:32,560 --> 00:05:35,560

mutilated cattle, and UFO sightings in the valley.

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00:05:35,560 --> 00:05:38,560

He never thought it would happen to him.

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00:05:38,560 --> 00:05:40,560

But then it did.

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00:05:40,560 --> 00:05:42,560

On the morning of August 27th, 1995,

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00:05:42,560 --> 00:05:44,560

Tim recorded this videotape.

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00:05:44,560 --> 00:05:46,560

See it going? Did you see it?

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00:05:46,560 --> 00:05:50,560

Approximately 9.30 in my daughter, Brandi,

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00:05:50,640 --> 00:05:53,640

came out here and she has said

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00:05:53,640 --> 00:05:55,640

that she looked up in the sky to see

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00:05:55,640 --> 00:05:58,640

if it was going to rain that day.

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00:05:58,640 --> 00:06:01,640

If it was going to rain or lightning or something,

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00:06:01,640 --> 00:06:03,640

we couldn't go camping.

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00:06:03,640 --> 00:06:05,640

So I looked up and I saw it.

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00:06:05,640 --> 00:06:08,640

I looked up again and I see

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00:06:08,640 --> 00:06:11,640

a very intense, bright, shimmering,

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00:06:11,640 --> 00:06:14,640

white light.

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00:06:14,640 --> 00:06:17,640

At times it appeared to be a boomerang shape,

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00:06:17,720 --> 00:06:20,720

a light arc.

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00:06:20,720 --> 00:06:22,720

Tim called his restaurant to see if anyone else

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00:06:22,720 --> 00:06:24,720

incited the UFO.

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00:06:24,720 --> 00:06:27,720

Cook Michael Maggio told him he'd take a look.

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00:06:27,720 --> 00:06:29,720

Come out here, about right here,

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00:06:29,720 --> 00:06:31,720

a little beyond the door,

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00:06:31,720 --> 00:06:33,720

and I could see the three flashes come off

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00:06:33,720 --> 00:06:36,720

that looked like boomerangs and it was bright white.

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00:06:36,720 --> 00:06:38,720

Then, a fourth witness,

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00:06:38,720 --> 00:06:40,720

Tim's 15-year-old daughter, Lorraine,

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00:06:40,720 --> 00:06:42,720

saw the UFO.

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00:06:42,720 --> 00:06:44,720

At first I thought those guys were crazy.

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00:06:44,720 --> 00:06:46,720

I was like, that's a bum.

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00:06:46,800 --> 00:06:48,800

I can't believe it.

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00:06:48,800 --> 00:06:51,800

Michael Kurta is Mufon's chief investigator in Colorado.

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00:06:51,800 --> 00:06:54,800

He's been researching UFO activity

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00:06:54,800 --> 00:06:56,800

in the San Luis Valley for several years.

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00:06:56,800 --> 00:06:58,800

Mr. Edwards' video

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00:06:58,800 --> 00:07:01,800

is some of the best footies that I've seen.

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00:07:01,800 --> 00:07:03,800

Purely for the fact that, number one,

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00:07:03,800 --> 00:07:05,800

it's a daylight sighting.

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00:07:05,800 --> 00:07:07,800

There are multiple witnesses.

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00:07:07,800 --> 00:07:10,800

It's a very large object or appears to be a very large object.

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00:07:10,800 --> 00:07:12,800

And we just don't get that many

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00:07:12,800 --> 00:07:14,800

credible good daylight sightings.

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00:07:14,880 --> 00:07:16,880

Sightings asked Chip Peterson

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00:07:16,880 --> 00:07:18,880

to study the Edwards videotape.

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00:07:18,880 --> 00:07:20,880

Peterson is an aerospace engineer

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00:07:20,880 --> 00:07:23,880

specializing in computer enhancement and stabilization.

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00:07:23,880 --> 00:07:25,880

When you look at moving video,

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00:07:25,880 --> 00:07:27,880

what you're actually seeing is 30 frames per second,

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00:07:27,880 --> 00:07:29,880

flipping on the screen very quickly.

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00:07:29,880 --> 00:07:31,880

And that's what we've got right here.

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00:07:31,880 --> 00:07:33,880

What you're seeing here is the edge of each frame

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00:07:33,880 --> 00:07:35,880

that I had to stabilize by hand

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00:07:35,880 --> 00:07:37,880

in order to keep this object in the center of the screen.

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00:07:37,880 --> 00:07:39,880

So after you stabilize the image,

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00:07:39,880 --> 00:07:42,880

you can see its motion much more clearly.

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00:07:42,960 --> 00:07:45,960

Based on what I know of atmospheric flight,

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00:07:45,960 --> 00:07:48,960

it doesn't look like any conventional aircraft.

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00:07:48,960 --> 00:07:50,960

Could it be otherworldly technology?

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00:07:50,960 --> 00:07:52,960

Yes, it could. Could it be military aircraft?

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00:07:52,960 --> 00:07:54,960

Yes, it could.

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00:07:54,960 --> 00:07:56,960

Could it be some unexplained weather phenomena?

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00:07:56,960 --> 00:07:58,960

That's also possible.

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00:07:58,960 --> 00:08:00,960

There's an awful lot of strange things that occur

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00:08:00,960 --> 00:08:02,960

in the mysterious valley of Colorado,

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00:08:02,960 --> 00:08:04,960

and this is racking up to be one of them.

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00:08:04,960 --> 00:08:06,960

The San Luis Valley is 5,000 square miles

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00:08:06,960 --> 00:08:09,960

of fertile Colorado pastureland,

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00:08:10,040 --> 00:08:13,040

the largest cleanest alpine meadow in the world.

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00:08:13,040 --> 00:08:15,040

It's also a UFO hotspot.

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00:08:15,040 --> 00:08:18,040

Recently, people here sighted huge fireballs

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00:08:18,040 --> 00:08:20,040

streaking across the sky.

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00:08:20,040 --> 00:08:23,040

Over on this mountain range, we've seen the orange orbs

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00:08:23,040 --> 00:08:26,040

that come down and sit or just race right across the mountain range.

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00:08:26,040 --> 00:08:28,040

There's bright blue oval.

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00:08:28,040 --> 00:08:31,040

And it's traveling at this speed you one would expect a meteor.

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00:08:31,040 --> 00:08:34,040

And it stopped instantly and started straight down.

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00:08:34,040 --> 00:08:37,040

We've saw lights come off of this side of the mountain over here,

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00:08:37,120 --> 00:08:40,120

come clear across and go over the top of these mountains on this side.

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00:08:40,120 --> 00:08:42,120

This light came across all the way across

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00:08:42,120 --> 00:08:44,120

and no sound whatsoever.

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00:08:44,120 --> 00:08:46,120

For 10 years, researcher Chris O'Brien

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00:08:46,120 --> 00:08:49,120

has studied more than 100 bizarre animal mutilations

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00:08:49,120 --> 00:08:52,120

in the valley and their potential link to UFO activity.

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00:08:52,120 --> 00:08:54,120

The activity that we experienced in November

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00:08:54,120 --> 00:08:57,120

through January was quite incredible.

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00:08:57,120 --> 00:08:59,120

We saw so much activity here.

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00:08:59,120 --> 00:09:01,120

We had green fireballs, blue fireballs,

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00:09:01,120 --> 00:09:03,120

squadrons of blinking lights,

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00:09:03,120 --> 00:09:05,120

and we saw a lot of light.

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00:09:05,120 --> 00:09:08,120

We saw a lot of light coming from the walls,

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00:09:08,120 --> 00:09:10,120

squadrons of blinking lights,

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00:09:10,120 --> 00:09:13,120

traveling too fast to be conventional aircraft.

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00:09:13,120 --> 00:09:16,120

And then soon on the heels of many of these sightings,

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00:09:16,120 --> 00:09:18,120

we had incredible military activity.

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00:09:18,120 --> 00:09:20,120

On January 12th, 1994,

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00:09:20,120 --> 00:09:23,120

the most spectacular UFO sighting to date occurred

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00:09:23,120 --> 00:09:25,120

when an enormous arc of fiery orbs

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00:09:25,120 --> 00:09:27,120

raced across the afternoon sky.

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00:09:27,120 --> 00:09:31,120

Among the eyewitnesses was a retired 30-year Air Force veteran,

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00:09:31,120 --> 00:09:33,120

pilot Jimmy Lloyd.

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00:09:33,120 --> 00:09:38,120

They were extremely bright, like strobes, a green color.

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00:09:38,120 --> 00:09:42,120

There were seven of them in a semicircular formation.

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00:09:42,120 --> 00:09:46,120

They looked as big as a battleship and very fast.

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00:09:46,120 --> 00:09:49,120

They were going at hypersonic speed,

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00:09:49,120 --> 00:09:52,120

yet there was no sound wave.

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00:09:52,120 --> 00:09:55,120

Within hours of the sighting,

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00:09:55,120 --> 00:09:57,120

it became clear that Colonel Lloyd

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00:09:57,120 --> 00:09:59,120

was not the only one interested in the sighting.

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00:09:59,120 --> 00:10:01,120

In nearby Montevista, Colorado,

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00:10:01,120 --> 00:10:03,120

the local sheriff received a phone call

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00:10:03,120 --> 00:10:06,120

from the North American Air Defense Command.

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00:10:06,120 --> 00:10:11,120

The Rio Grande County Sheriff's Office got a call from NORAD

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00:10:11,120 --> 00:10:13,120

saying that one of their satellites

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00:10:13,120 --> 00:10:16,120

had picked up a significant burst of heat

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00:10:16,120 --> 00:10:18,120

up on Greenie Mountain.

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00:10:18,120 --> 00:10:20,120

The information to us from NORAD that night

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00:10:20,120 --> 00:10:22,120

that we needed to exhaust all efforts

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00:10:22,120 --> 00:10:26,120

to determine what this explosion was.

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00:10:26,120 --> 00:10:28,120

At NORAD's urgent request,

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00:10:28,120 --> 00:10:31,120

the sheriff dispatched planes and a ground crew

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00:10:31,120 --> 00:10:34,120

to search for the source of the explosion.

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00:10:34,120 --> 00:10:36,120

But as the team neared Greenie Mountain,

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00:10:36,120 --> 00:10:37,120

they were waved off.

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00:10:37,120 --> 00:10:40,120

When they called us in originally, they gave us coordinates.

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00:10:40,120 --> 00:10:42,120

Explosion took place here.

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00:10:42,120 --> 00:10:44,120

So many degrees of attitude, so many years of knowledge, too.

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00:10:44,120 --> 00:10:46,120

Then we called them back and they said,

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00:10:46,120 --> 00:10:48,120

well, it happened on these coordinates,

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00:10:48,120 --> 00:10:50,120

which completely gave us probably 20 miles away,

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00:10:50,120 --> 00:10:52,120

15 miles without a whole time.

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00:10:52,120 --> 00:10:55,120

At NORAD really bent off by more than 20 miles.

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00:10:55,120 --> 00:10:58,120

Or did they want the search team out of the area?

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00:10:58,120 --> 00:11:00,120

We did our extensive search

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00:11:00,120 --> 00:11:02,120

and couldn't come up with anything I called.

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00:11:02,120 --> 00:11:06,120

NORAD directly and was in contact with a major macauch.

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00:11:06,120 --> 00:11:08,120

He kind of blew it off.

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00:11:08,120 --> 00:11:10,120

He said, if we can't find it, don't worry about it.

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00:11:10,120 --> 00:11:12,120

If we can't find it, it never happened.

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00:11:12,120 --> 00:11:14,120

It was no more of our concern.

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00:11:14,120 --> 00:11:17,120

In an effort to determine what really happened,

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00:11:17,120 --> 00:11:20,120

sightings asked aerospace analyst Ron Rieger

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00:11:20,120 --> 00:11:23,120

to access satellite data collected in the area

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00:11:23,120 --> 00:11:25,120

on the day in question.

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00:11:25,120 --> 00:11:29,120

Rieger has concluded that there was a significant heat flash

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00:11:29,120 --> 00:11:31,120

on January 12, 1994.

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00:11:31,120 --> 00:11:35,120

I did talk with one of the analysts at work

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00:11:35,120 --> 00:11:42,120

and they confirmed both the event, the time, and the location

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00:11:42,120 --> 00:11:47,120

and added the comment that this did not appear to be a forest fire.

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00:11:47,120 --> 00:11:51,120

The cause of the explosion recorded by NORAD

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00:11:51,120 --> 00:11:54,120

and confirmed through satellite data remains a mystery,

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00:11:54,120 --> 00:11:57,120

as do the many UFO sightings that continue to be recorded

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00:11:57,120 --> 00:11:59,120

in the San Luis Valley.

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00:11:59,120 --> 00:12:02,120

If the military has any answers, they're not telling.

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00:12:02,120 --> 00:12:05,120

The lack of information is particularly disturbing to Tim Edwards,

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00:12:05,120 --> 00:12:08,120

who has the dubious distinction of owning the best footage

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00:12:08,120 --> 00:12:11,120

of one of the area's many UFOs.

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00:12:11,120 --> 00:12:13,120

I've been obsessed almost.

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00:12:13,120 --> 00:12:19,120

My family thinks with trying to get the information,

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00:12:19,120 --> 00:12:23,120

the facts out of this case and the truth

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00:12:23,120 --> 00:12:27,120

and getting this out to the public and bringing witnesses forward.

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00:12:27,120 --> 00:12:32,120

One thing that sustains Tim Edwards and UFO researchers in the valley

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00:12:32,120 --> 00:12:37,120

is the knowledge that UFO activity here is not just a cosmic flash in the pan.

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00:12:37,120 --> 00:12:39,120

The local paper records sightings today,

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00:12:39,120 --> 00:12:42,120

just as it did more than 80 years ago.

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00:12:42,120 --> 00:12:46,120

Back then, eyewitnesses asked one simple question

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00:12:46,120 --> 00:12:50,120

and it's the same question people are still asking.

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00:12:50,120 --> 00:12:53,120

The selected tape is consistent with a number of reports.

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00:12:53,120 --> 00:12:56,120

Sightings is received about UFOs in the four state area

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00:12:56,120 --> 00:12:58,120

of Colorado, Nevada, Arizona and New Mexico.

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00:12:58,120 --> 00:13:00,120

We're continuing to pursue these reports

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00:13:00,120 --> 00:13:05,120

and will bring you extended coverage on an upcoming edition of Sightings.

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00:13:05,120 --> 00:13:09,120

Next, in this tiny mining town, the past and present coexist,

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00:13:09,120 --> 00:13:11,120

and it's not easy.

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00:13:11,120 --> 00:13:13,120

Georgetown is a very haunted community,

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00:13:13,120 --> 00:13:15,120

this is just going beyond that.

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00:13:20,120 --> 00:13:24,120

Driving out of Denver and into the front range of the Rocky Mountains,

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00:13:24,120 --> 00:13:28,120

the road is dotted with small towns that seem frozen in time.

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00:13:28,120 --> 00:13:31,120

They survived today much as they have for the past 100 years,

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00:13:31,120 --> 00:13:35,120

perfectly preserved reminders of a simpler, kinder way of life.

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00:13:35,120 --> 00:13:39,120

Perhaps that's why so many people who move here never want to leave,

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00:13:39,120 --> 00:13:41,120

even after they're dead.

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00:13:43,120 --> 00:13:56,120

This was Georgetown, Colorado in 1895.

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00:13:56,120 --> 00:14:00,120

This is Georgetown, Colorado in 1995.

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00:14:00,120 --> 00:14:04,120

100 years has done little to change the silver mining boom town.

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00:14:04,120 --> 00:14:07,120

Most of the buildings from the previous century are still around

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00:14:07,120 --> 00:14:12,120

and to hear locals talk, some are the people who lived here back then.

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00:14:12,120 --> 00:14:14,120

Georgetown is a very haunted community,

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00:14:14,120 --> 00:14:16,120

so I just thought we have to coexist.

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00:14:16,120 --> 00:14:19,120

These are like parallel universes or something like that.

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00:14:19,120 --> 00:14:22,120

So I just thought let's live together.

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00:14:22,120 --> 00:14:25,120

That's what people do up here with their houses, their homes and everything.

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00:14:25,120 --> 00:14:28,120

But this is just going beyond that.

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00:14:28,120 --> 00:14:32,120

In 1994, Bill Pentland and Becky Richardson

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00:14:32,120 --> 00:14:35,120

traded their fast-track life in Hollywood's entertainment industry

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for the peace and quiet of Georgetown.

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They bought an old restaurant named at the Full Circle Cafe

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and began to restore it, stirring up the past in surprising ways.

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When we first bought the cafe, we had to do a lot of remodeling

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and a lot of renovation.

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We had to go down into the basement and it has a lot of really neat types of things down there.

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And we found all these receipts, newspapers.

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And obviously at that point we had realized too that this box had really not been touched

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for almost about 100 years.

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Opening that box and using its contents to decorate the cafe

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seemed to be a paranormal trigger.

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We found a lot of papers in the basement that had the writings of the people, their receipts.

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It sat here for about 100 years with nothing happening.

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And once we brought up the vibrations or the essence or the actual touch of these people,

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these things just very quickly began to happen.

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But it took a while for Bill and Becky to realize that their rummageings

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might be linked to strange happenings in the cafe.

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Little subtle things started happening, just noises and just some things rattling and things like that.

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We turned the TV off, it's on, they'll turn the lights off, they're on.

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I would be tolling out the calculator trying to add up the daily registers and stuff

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and right when I get to the end of the total, the whole thing would just like clear out.

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Anything that had to do with water was breaking down.

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Ice machines, sinks, toilets, pipes under the ground.

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It happened night after night after night after night.

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At first, everyone involved in the full circle cafe put up with the seemingly playful haunting activity.

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But then the incidents took on a more frightening, even menacing tone.

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I was by myself and something came up from behind me and grabbed the bar stool

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and like turned me around just like you would just like turn around real fast, you know,

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or something in your chair.

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One night, Caleb Lopez was remarking on the striking resemblance between Becky and a woman in this photograph.

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And the picture flew off the wall and at the end of the table.

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And that kind of spooked all of us.

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It also prompted Becky to wonder if her uncanny resemblance to the woman in the photo

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might explain the haunting in the cafe.

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She and Bill started researching their cafe's historic past.

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In the 1890s, this particular establishment was a general store.

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And there were two brothers, a William and an Albert Shower.

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There's also a third brother, Edward.

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But their energy is still here.

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And I hope I haven't opened up a big can of worms with these guys.

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No sooner had Bill and Becky learned about the Shower Brothers

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than an apparition of Edward's Shower appeared to Becky in the cafe.

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I look in the kitchen and there is one of the Shower Brothers standing at the sink, you know,

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and because it's the guy in the picture, it's the guy with the mustache.

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All I could do was think, I've got to get out, I've got to get out.

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And I was so freaked out of seeing something that I know was from 1895 and he's in my cafe.

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Soon after Becky's encounter, waitress Erin Shereke saw the ghostly image of another brother.

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What I had seen was the image of a man.

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And it was a perfect image.

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He had on a long-sleeved dark shirt and his apron was dark, so to speak.

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The ghost that Erin described was a perfect match for John Shower,

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even though Erin had not seen this photograph.

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Citing's asked renowned psychic investigator Peter James to come to the Full Circle Cafe

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to uncover the reason behind the escalating haunting activity.

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He was told nothing about the history of the cafe or the Shower Brothers.

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In fact, Peter was not even told that his destination was Georgetown until the day he left,

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yet his first psychic impressions were on target.

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My preliminary sense of what is within the structure, not necessarily here as we speak,

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is a male entity and I pick up the name of Edward.

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When Peter was in here last night, that was the first thing he walked in and said, who is Edward?

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And it just kind of gave us big time chills.

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I get a sense that there's an energy about someone named John as well.

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The oldest brother was John. John was a baker.

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Vibrationally, he's talking about some kind of a fish, and I don't know what that means,

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but there's a fish of all things involved here.

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The fish block, Charles Fish, the builder, was a banker here in Georgetown, amongst other things.

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He built the building that we see there now all around 1890 or 1891.

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I will say that Edward does come down here.

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These vibrations like the walls, the beams, rick of his energy, because he's also angry.

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It was in the attic that Peter felt Edward's angry presence most strongly.

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Hello? Communicate with me.

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Look, look, look, look, look, look. Hello? See?

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Oh, he's angry. Don't be angry with me.

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He's, this is a volatile entity, by the way.

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Don't play games with me. I'm not afraid of you.

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He said, I didn't kill him. I didn't kill him, and he's angry. Don't be angry at me.

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This entity is capable of making sound, of talking.

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Moments later, Peter's contention that the spirit could speak seemed to be proven correct.

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Edward, speak to me now.

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It is important to note that 12 people witnessed these events.

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There are no windows in the attic. It was well past midnight.

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The full circle cafe was closed, and Peter had never seen the picture that Becky was about to show him.

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This one. This is the one I saw. This is the one that I saw upstairs. I got goosebumps myself.

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That's what I saw in the kitchen. This is Edward.

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We've been gone to great pains to keep him in the dark. It's like, I've to fight my time, he knew nothing.

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Peter believes that by confronting the spirit of Edward's shower, he has released his haunting energy.

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If they want Edward to move on, I think this will happen simply by the fact that the history is now being brought to light.

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And I feel that Edward is now aware of the fact that we know that he was falsely accused of this murder.

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And I think that will help him move on.

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While the sightings team was in Georgetown, we heard from many other residents who had also experienced haunting reminders of the town's past.

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We'll introduce you to more of the ghosts of Georgetown on an upcoming program.

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Next, a breakthrough in the search for extraterrestrial intelligence.

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We are going to discover something.

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And fire beware when it comes to haunted houses.

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Here are some of the stories sightings is following in the news.

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Recently, sightings brought you the story of an Ohio University project called the Big Ear.

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A giant radio telescope there is searching for sounds of intelligent life in the cosmos.

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Well, now in Columbus, Ohio, a second independent search project is underway.

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We've dubbed it the Big Eye.

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In Ohio's capital, astronomer Stuart Kingsley is conducting an independent search for visual signs of extraterrestrial intelligence by updating an idea discarded in the 1960s.

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Laser communication.

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I'm looking for a regular pulsation in the optical spectrum.

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Basically a bleep, bleep, bleep, rather like an interstellar heartbeat.

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Traditionally, the search for extraterrestrial intelligence or ETI uses radio telescopes programmed to pick up anomalous sounds.

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But Kingsley believes that our first two-way communication without her space will be visual.

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Lasers are more for point-to-point targeting.

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It gives you a very narrow beam even over interstellar distances.

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So that's actually why I think the preferred technology for ETIs to communicate with other stars is lasers.

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And Kingsley is confident his search will not be in vain.

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We are going to discover something.

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Well, that's going to be a major news story because that means we are not alone.

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In New York, it's buyer beware.

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Home sellers here no longer have to disclose to potential buyers that the house they're trying to unload is haunted.

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26 states do require disclosure if a home has a past history of unsettling activity.

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But New York Governor George Pataki has signed a law exempting home sellers from upfront disclosure of a home's quote, psychological impact.

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A psychological impact can be anything from a haunting to a murder to a suicide to a pool leaking.

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Realtor Kathy Edwards believes that full disclosure of a property's haunted reputation is important whether or not it's mandated by law.

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If we were listing a property that was known to be or thought to be haunted either by a seller or by the community in general,

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I would recommend to the seller that they notify any serious buyers of the fact that it was known to be haunted.

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Even if the seller does not believe in ghosts, if a home is believed by others in the community to be a haunted house, that fact should also be disclosed.

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My partner and I listed a property in this community that we thought was haunted because every time you walked in, it was extremely cold.

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I mean colder than you would normally think a closed up empty house would be.

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And yes, we did disclose.

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The buyer moved in, they've never had anything happen.

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So, you know, it may have just been a cold draft, you don't know, but anything that could potentially affect a buyer's decision to purchase a property, they absolutely should disclose it.

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In New Delhi, India, thousands of Hindus are standing in long lines to see what they believe to be a series of religious miracles.

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In fact, Hindus throughout the world are experiencing the miracle in their own temples.

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Stone carvings of the elephant god known as Ganesha have suddenly and inexplicably begun to drink milk.

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And since it happened, I believed it with my own eyes. Otherwise, I would not have.

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From New Delhi, the milk drinking phenomenon has spread quickly to temples throughout Asia, Great Britain and the United States.

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It was amazing, you know, it just sucked it up. It's just a stream just going straight up.

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And I said, how could this not be a miracle? It has to be something supernatural.

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You've never seen this before. So, it's the first time, you know, you're witnessing something, a miracle.

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That's what you can say it's a miracle.

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While the Hindu milk miracle spreads around the globe, religious leaders are being cautious about the significance of the phenomenon.

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But the faithful are embracing it as a positive sign from one of their gods.

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What's a good sign? It's really good for the nation. You know, they're telling us that I'm here to take care of you. Don't you worry.

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So this is a sign, very good sign, that God is blessing everybody, all the devotees and trying to recreate faith in their minds.

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We'll have more stories from the news next time. Now, here's what's coming up on Citing's.

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What causes a miracle to happen? Why are some blessed while others, just as deserving, are passed over?

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These are questions that have gone unanswered for thousands of years, but still, millions of people put their faith in the possibility of miracles.

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And as Carla Wall reports, many of the faithful flock to a Catholic shrine called Batania, hoping that they will be chosen.

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An hour's drive from Caracas, the city beat gives way to the tranquility of the Venezuelan

countryside and a place where many believe miracles can happen.

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The waters here are said to have healing powers, and there's a shrine where many prayers are answered.

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Many people come here and they see nothing, but they, but you feel it.

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For most, it's a feeling beyond description.

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It's a mystery, and in the mystery is the wisdom.

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It's called Batania, and people come here from around the world to pray, gain wisdom, and be healed.

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They drink the water. Many even claim they've had supernatural visions at Batania.

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Sometimes you will see balls, or colored balls, and they might be blue ones, they might be rose colored.

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This blue butterfly felt this big whoosh between our heads, touched both of our cheeks, and brushed our cheeks.

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Right up to the ceiling of the chapel.

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And the people went nuts, and as I watched them, like a vapor appeared over the top of it, and when it did, it went into the shape of a lake.

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People come to be healed. Miraculously, many are.

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You believe miracles can happen here?

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Oh, yes indeed. I've seen them. I've seen them both in trips I've been down.

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I've seen a woman who was on the same program with me for 45 years. She was bent over scoliosis when she left here. She slipped straight up.

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These inscriptions in stone have been left by those who've been healed.

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The miracles have been investigated by the Catholic Church, and after more than 500 interviews,

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Bishop P. O'Bello has concluded that miracles do occur here.

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So like lords in southern France, Batania has been sanctioned as an official apparition site.

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My judgment is that those apparitions are authentic and supernatural.

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But it is this woman who people most want to see when they travel to Batania.

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Good morning. Good morning.

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Maria Esperanza is known as the visionary of Batania.

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She discovered this shrine and believes that in this place, Jesus and the Virgin Mary can speak through her.

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Believers say she has an extraordinary spiritual power.

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You're standing and walking with no wheelchair and no crutches today. How did that happen?

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I was blessed to get in front of her, and when we locked eyes, I went down on the ground.

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I got up, I took my cane as a tour guide, jumped off a porch, ran up this hill to the chapel,

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grabbed my luggage, ran up another hill to the bus.

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Maria Esperanza makes no claims herself, but others believe she's been given the power to see the future.

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When you meet her, she knows everything about you, the present, the past and the future.

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She is able to see things and know things before they ever occur.

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It's the power of this tiny woman and this tiny waterfall that makes Batania the place of last resort for so many desperate people.

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Well, the only thing I knew about Spina Bifida was that it was devastating.

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Little Ryan Hewlett was born with a gaping hole at the base of his spine.

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I'd never seen anything like it before, and I really didn't understand what I was looking at.

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This diagnosis of Spina Bifida is something that involves the brain.

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It involves the spinal cord, and because it involves your nervous system, it involves anything from the head down.

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The prognosis for Ryan was not good. He might be walking by age five, but there was no guarantee that he would ever survive into adulthood.

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I sort of felt like I had a baby with a time bomb, so I didn't sleep well.

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I was always listening for him to see if this is going to be the night.

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It was after one particularly bad episode that Pat Hewlett decided to seek the help of Maria Esperanza.

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Pat and her husband Casey met Maria in Lowell, Massachusetts during a tour of the United States.

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She finished speaking with the family, and she just turned around and walked right up to us.

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And she says through the interpreter, here, this is the place, and she's touching her lower spine.

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And we said, yes, we'd never give it her any details about this child or the condition.

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She looked at us, and she said he's being healed in three parts, and the first part is happening right now.

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The Hewlux didn't immediately notice a change in Ryan's condition.

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But then, when Maria returned for another visit to the United States, this time to Valley Forge, Maria met Ryan in person.

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She turned right around, and she took Ryan out of my arms and sat right down.

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And on the video, you can see her hand going right down over where the shunt and down along the shunt line, this little chest.

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And then on the spine and the back and the whole thing.

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Almost instantly, the Hewlux say Ryan was stronger.

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They took him to the Westchester Spina Bifida Clinic, where Ryan's doctors were baffled by his sudden improvement.

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The neurologist came in, and he was doing his exam and writing down his comments and so forth.

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And he just, well, he got up and got his colleague, because he wanted to check and make sure it was the right kid and the right records and the right everything, because it was so dramatic.

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A few months later, the Hewlux took Ryan to the Tanya, to Maria's house for the third and final part of his healing.

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Suddenly, Ryan woke up, and he was screaming, like a very, very strong cry, as if he were in pain.

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She said he's crying, because that which was a part has just come together.

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She said this is the third part. He's going to begin to become completely healed.

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On that bus ride back from Caracas, after he received the third part, we noticed an immediate dramatic change in Ryan.

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He was so strong and just trying to get up and to move and just so bouncy.

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The Hewlux returned to their home in New York, and Ryan began making dramatic improvements, much to the surprise of the neurosurgeon who had made the original diagnosis.

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I think he's excelled in some ways beyond what his objective analyses, such as pictures, x-rays, CAT scans, MRIs, might have led us to think he could do.

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The art of medicine 100 years ago was holistic, and that was we didn't have the technology and the capability to correct anatomical abnormalities that we do now.

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We forgot about faith, and we forgot about hope and positive thinking.

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Faith and positive thinking are all that Anne Jones believes she has left.

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Yeah!

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Anne's daughter Amanda has epilepsy. She has a seizure nearly every day.

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Doctors said she would improve with age, but her progress has been unexpectedly slow.

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At age five, Amanda is still a toddler in many ways.

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Language-wise, I thought she'd be talking more. They have expected her to. They really can't explain why the language isn't coming in.

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Anne heard about Ryan Hewlux' miraculous recovery, so now she too is making the pilgrimage to Batania.

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I'm going to pray for a miracle, for her health to get over her epilepsy, to talk. Even if she could just talk, I'd be happy.

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Anne Jones invited Carla Wall and her sightings team to travel with her on her pilgrimage to Batania.

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It was to be a journey of faith. She hoped would have a miraculous ending.

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When sightings returns, Carla Wall meets Maria Esperanza, and Anne Jones hopes for answered prayers.

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It's my daughter, Amanda.

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There have been claims of miraculous healing and apparitions of the Virgin Mary from every corner of the globe.

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Currently, the Catholic Church recognizes only four locations as sites where miracles do happen.

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They are Lord's, Fatima, Garbondle, and Batania.

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The Hewlux are traveling from New York. Anne Jones from Michigan. Wendy Benedict from Missouri.

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It's a poignant mix of faith and desperation that's brought them thousands of miles from home to Venezuela.

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From Caracas, we board a bus and drive out into the country to Batania, and it's resident visionary Maria Esperanza.

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Pat and Kasey Hewlek are convinced that their son Ryan was able to overcome the crippling disease Spina Bifida because of the healing gift of Maria Esperanza.

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So is it a trip to say thank you for you? Is it a healing?

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It sure is. It's a trip to say thank you, and it's a trip, for me, it's a total trip of joy.

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But for every miraculous recovery, there are thousands still waiting to be healed.

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Anne Jones has come in search of a miracle for her daughter.

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What kind of healing are you hoping for for your daughter?

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I don't know.

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I'd like to see her.

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Wow.

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I have no more seizures.

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I don't have any. I think that this is a possibility here.

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I really do.

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Okay, this is Finca Batania. This is the entrance to Batania.

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Wendy Benedict is the leader of the group. She brings pilgrims to Batania every other month.

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People from many different faiths come to bathe in the healing waters and to pray.

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And sometimes, Benedict says, the faithful are rewarded with amazing supernatural sights at the shrine.

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Sometimes the sun will spin. Sometimes it'll turn colors.

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Many times when you're in the grotto, you will see people looking at the palms of their hands.

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And what's happened, there's a very fine gold dust that falls all over them.

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There are no glowing apparitions on this day, but a vision in white does appear.

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Viva Maria!

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Maria always says, I am a simple person, but she's far from being simple.

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I don't know why she was chosen, but I don't know that anyone knows why they receive special graces or special gifts.

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Maria says that everyone who comes to Batania receives graces.

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And those graces are believed to be strongest when given personally by Maria Esperanza.

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So the crowd pushes in, reaching, pleading, hoping she'll share with them her vision of their future.

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Do you understand me? I understand you. I understand you.

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I understand you. I'm very joyful because from today...

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Hallelujah! Hallelujah!

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As she works her way through the crowd, she is continually asked to do the seemingly impossible,

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to make the cripple stand up and walk, to heal the terminally ill.

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Help me, sir. I want to live.

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Many times when I have seen her do healings, for instance, she assumes the illness on herself.

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And until she's able to expel it from her body, she's physically ill.

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I'm hurting my heart.

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I feel it here.

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Maria Esperanza rarely grants interviews to the media, but she agreed to sit down with me after one of her healing sessions.

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What do you see and what do you feel when you look at these people, when you look at me, when you look at anyone?

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It is something so natural to make them feel like it was my test to make them feel that I already know them.

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Why, Maria, are you able to help and heal some people, like little Ryan Hewlett and others you can't help?

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I don't know. Only the Lord knows why.

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For Ann Jones, the wait to see Maria Esperanza has been agonizing.

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She douses herself and Amanda's picture with water from the spring.

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Then finally, she meets Maria.

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This is my daughter, Amanda. She has seizures every day.

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When she was four months old, something happened. This is very important.

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Four months, no point.

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Well, she had her DPT shot.

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Was it a DPT shot?

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This was a vaccine.

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There it is.

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Exactly.

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There.

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Maria told Ann that she sees Amanda improving, but progress will be slow.

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Thank you.

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Thank you.

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Be happy.

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Be happy.

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Be happy.

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Be joyful.

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It's not the promise of a complete cure that Ann had wished for, but she is at peace, because Maria has injected her with hope that Amanda will improve in her own time, just as Ryan Hewlett did.

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Is Ryan a miracle child? Is Botania a place where miracles happen?

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Or is he simply proof that when medicine falls short, faith can make up the difference?

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In Spanish, Esperanza means hope, and that is what Ann Jones has received from the prophet of Botania.

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Since her return from Venezuela, Ann feels that her daughter Amanda is making small steps forward.

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And she hopes these signs of improvement will one day add up to a miracle.

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Next are Comet's bad omens of things to come.

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What will happen when Hail Bob arrives?

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Comets are enormous balls of ice hurtling through space, destroying everything in their path.

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And for centuries, Comets have been seen as harbingers of doom.

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The mother of all Comets is thought to be Halley's Comet, not due back over Earth until the year 2060.

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But in the spring of 1997, we will be visited by the less famous comet, Hail Bob.

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And in cosmic terms, this one will miss us only by a whisker.

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From Earth, we can see only a tiny fraction of the vast uncharted expanse of outer space.

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Its vastness has inspired wonder and fear.

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Now, that fear of the unknown is being challenged by frightening new discoveries in outer space.

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We think the solar system is surrounded by something like 10 trillion comets.

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With numbers like these, it's not surprising that scientists like NASA astronomer Paul Weissman

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are keeping tabs on the paths of these supersonic celestial bodies.

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Especially those that will come perilously close to our planet.

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Among them, the recently discovered comet, Hail Bob.

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It's in our planetary system already. It's out a little bit beyond the orbit of Jupiter at this point.

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And we'll pass just inside the Earth's orbit in March of 1997.

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While astronomers reassure us that comet Hail Bob will not impact on Earth,

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there are many people who believe that even a visit from a comet is a bad omen.

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People have many, many beliefs about comets.

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For example, if you see a comet, you'll die soon after.

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Or if you see a comet and you don't cross yourself and tell someone, then you'll lose a finger.

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All sorts of peculiar things like that.

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UCLA Folkloreist Heather Joseph Witham notes that historical events are often tied to a passing comet.

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For example, in 1066, there was a comet, and just afterwards the Normans invaded England

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and the Battle of Hastings took place and England became a Norman country.

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People who see this, the belief is reinforced, something happened.

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But it's not for URI necessarily to say that the comet didn't predict the event, because we don't really know.

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What we do know is that the comet discovered in July 1995 by amateur astronomers Alan Hale and Thomas Bob is huge.

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And it's rapidly heading this way.

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We're thinking the nucleus of the comet may be something between 20 and 50 kilometers in diameter.

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So it's something like the size of a city.

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It's falling towards the sun at about 15 kilometers a second, about 10 miles per second.

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But it's still about 600 million miles from the sun, so it has a long way to go.

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It will actually pick up speed as it comes in.

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And according to the mythology of many cultures, comets like the one expected here in 1997

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are the most likely to cause troubling events as they pass over Earth.

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There are some connections between comets and catastrophic Earth events.

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There was a really long, hot summer and drought in the eastern United States in 1762.

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It was thought a comet predicted this.

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And once again, there was a comet just before an incredible earthquake in 1811 that actually sank New Madrid, Mississippi.

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In fact, that same 1811 comet coincided with Napoleon's defeat at Waterloo.

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Civilizations have looked to the sky for centuries, and the ancient Greeks even established guidelines for how comets would affect our planet.

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Ptolemy in the second century wrote that the size of the comet will tell the comet's meaning.

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The color of the comet will tell what kind of problem it will bring, wind, rain, drought, whatever.

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And where in the zodiac the comet was tells which country is going to be affected.

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Although scientists have yet to determine the color of Hale-Bopp or its place in the zodiac,

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there is no question that its size is colossal.

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A fact that Ptolemy would say spells disaster for those who would cross the comet's path.

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Once comet Hale-Bopp passes over the Earth, those with cometophobia,

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that's the clinical term for the fear of comets, can breathe a long sigh of relief.

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The comet is not expected back for another 3,000 years.

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If you've had a paranormal experience, please write to us at Sightings.

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Sightings can also be contacted at America Online at keyword Sightings.

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At the Sightings Forum, download images, sounds, and quick time clips.

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Also, join us daily in our chat room, live on AOL.

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Until next time, remember, no mystery is closed to an open mind.

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For Sightings, I'm Tim White.

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All this is real.

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Peanut ready for the truth?

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