Caribbean Women Healers Decolonizing Knowledge Within Afro-Indigenous Traditions

Clip of Interview with Daniela, Praying the Medicine (Translation)

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I prepared a bottle for the girl who was with her, she was from – from Montecristo and she told me that her mother and father were sick, that if I, since I knew

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so much about plants and I took care of them, if I could give her a bottle to see, because she was tired of taking them to see a doctor and they hadn't healed and I said how are they still sick. Well, so you can know, if they are okay or not, take them to a laboratory [for testing]. They were taken to a laboratory to see if it

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was true they were well or not and they took their bottle to the laboratory and when they came, they took the medication and they said that the medication can't be found in this country, and then I said okay, that's fine and they took their bottle with them. Then I made two of them because

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since they were from –, they were not going to come back [unintelligible]. I make it and I call the Virgen de la Altagracia, who is the mother of Jesus Christ. Look Maria, this medication that I will prepare, I will prepare it under your name and under

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your son's name and if you know that this won't do any good to the person for whom I am making it, don't let me prepare it.

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