

Slave. Not originally from Georgia she may have been brought there by her master when hemigrated, she may have been the spoils of war, or she may have fled her own war-racked homeland and become enslaved after her move to more peaceful Georgia.

She cured a dying child by placing her hair shirt on him, and praying over him. News of this miracle reached the Queen of Georgia, who was suffering an unspecified but untreatable malady. She sent for Nino who replied, "I am a slave. My place is not in a palace." The Queen went to Nino, who cured her by prayer.

The royal family offered her any reward; she asked that they convert. The recently healed queen was willing, but King Mirian was not. However, soon after, while on a hunt, he found himself surrounded by wild animals. He made one of those well-known deals with God, offering to convert if he survived. The animals left, and in 325 the king asked Constantine for priests and bishops to spread the faith throughout Georgia.

This good work begun, Nino retired to live as a prayerful recluse on a mountainside at Bodbe Monastery, Kakheti, Georgia.