Same Great Hope, More Help!

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We are on the verge of another great work by our Lord at the Southern New Hampshire Rescue Mission. We are now able to offer shelter, food, clothing and the Hope of the Gospel to homeless women at our Hope Center for Women. The project has been many years in the making and covered in prayer.

The provisions of God along the way have been large and small. For over 19 years, the Rescue Mission has served up to 35 homeless men every night. We have seen incredible stories of men's lives transformed by Grace through Faith in Jesus Christ. And we have continued to serve our community of hurting and poor families at 40 Chestnut Street with daily meals, clothing, groceries and the compassion and care taught to us by Jesus.

We have persevered through a global pandemic and the impact of economic challenges to our community, along with severe shortages in affordable housing. We remain a beacon of light in darkness, offering hope and help to so many who have nowhere else to turn.

However, we could never accomplish any of this on our own. We need the generous, loving, and sacrificial support of our caring community. God has been faithful through many, including you, who support us and pray for us. I trust the highlights in this newsletter will affirm the Lord's blessing and work for His Honor and Glory.



YOU MET THE NEED



Message and a Meal:

You provided 25,568 meals to hungry people in Nashua and offered a Gospel message of hope to all our guests.



Men's Emergency Shelter:

You helped provide 8,324 nights of safe shelter to 101 homeless men. They also receive guidance for work, housing and healthcare and an invitation to join our long-term programs.



R12 LifeChange Program:

You allowed us to minister to 7 men in our 12-month program and lead them toward productive, new lives in Christ.



Transitional Employment Program:

Thanks to you, 8 men participated in this program last year, learning how to manage the resources God provided and saving money toward permanent housing.



Gift Center:

You helped provide groceries for approximately 24,033 meals for 2,574 guests visiting our Gift Center. Last year, 396 new guests came to the Mission for food.

Hope Is Here for Women in Nashua

Our journey saw the transformation of a shell of an abandoned red brick building located at 36 Tolles Street to a beautifully renovated facility serving as the new Hope Center for Women.

From our purchase of the property in July 2021 to our final inspection from the town of Nashua on July 8, 2022 and tons of hard work, prayer and provision from our Lord in between, we are excited to see what He has planned next.

This safe, secure, comfortable facility will host up to 25 homeless women. We will offer programs and services that center on Jesus Christ and the Hope of the Gospel. The 7,700 square-foot facility includes all new HVAC, plumbing and electrical. We have staffed it with compassionate believers well qualified to care for every woman who seeks shelter with us.

The Hope Center is located in an area of town accessible to a variety of additional professional services and agencies. We are excited to see how the Lord will use the Hope Center to transform the lives of women by Grace through Faith in Jesus Christ. It is our heart, as you join with us, to see women come to us to meet Jesus and leave with strength to serve Him!



You helped mend broken lives like Angel's

A fter 20 years of drugs, gangs and jail, Angel decided it was time to leave Los Angeles and follow his family to New Hampshire. However, his family didn't believe he was serious about making a new start and refused to see him. He had nowhere to go.

"By the grace of God, I found the Mission," Angel says. "I was treated like family by the staff and the other brothers in the program. They taught me about the Bible and helped me stay close to God. They showed me how to be a better person. They helped me transform my life."

A year after he came to our door, Angel has the life he left Los Angeles to find: an apartment, a job, a relationship with Jesus Christ and his sobriety.

"If you want to make a change in your life, this place is great," he says. "They're very supportive. When I came here, broken, they helped me put myself back together. The program is here, but it's also in your heart when you leave."

Grateful for the help he was given, Angel comes back to volunteer at the Mission and plans to someday join you as a donor!

GOD PROVIDES!

We are thankful and affirm the generosity of so many to assist with our large project to open the Hope Center for Women. Our budget now includes the operation of two facilities, along with needed staff and supplies. Please continue to pray and support the Lord's desire to help the hurting and homeless in His Name. We need you more than ever.

2022 Total Revenue







100% of our revenue is received from individual, church, business and foundation contributions and grants. No monies are received from Federal, State or County sources.

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Mission Statement

We exist to share the hope of the Gospel of Jesus Christ as well as provide shelter, food, and clothing to the poor and needy in obedience to Him.



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VOLUNTEER PROFILE

Friends Gather to Serve Our Guests

Several years ago, Jean Manley found a unique way to get together with her friends. Every Thursday, they meet at the Rescue Mission for lunch duty. Jean and her friends Lorena Voisin, Jean Cotton, Linda Smith and Sophia Benson plan the menus, cook the food, serve it to our guests — and even clean up afterwards!



"When you come through these doors, you feel welcome."

Something as simple as a meal can touch people in a special way. When Jean and

her friends made chicken cordon bleu, she says, "One of the guests told us, 'This tastes exactly like my mom used to make it.' That's why we do this."

In addition to the satisfaction of meaningful work, Jean says the women enjoy "the appreciation, warmth and support we get. When you come through these doors, you feel welcome whether you're a volunteer or a guest. We'll keep doing this until they tell us we can't come back!"

STAFF PROFILE

Program Director Leads Men to Transformation

A s Program Director at the Rescue Mission, Pastor Mark Perkins is a busy man. He is responsible for the management of our R12 LifeChange Program, Transitional Work Program and Men's Emergency Shelter. He describes his primary duty as overseeing the spiritual shephering of our residents and his passion as seeing their lives transformed. "That's the greatest joy I have."



Transformation depends on the willingness of men to embrace God's grace. "We work with men who haven't accepted Jesus Christ yet, helping them see their brokenness and understand that God can heal them."

Pastor Mark knows healing has taken place when men are physicially, financially, mentally and spiritually stable. "They're moving forward and are ready to leave here as disciples of Jesus. They have the tools they need to handle the trials of life," he says.

Thanks to you, Pastor Mark says, "We're here for our guys. We're kind of a lighthouse on a stormy coastline."