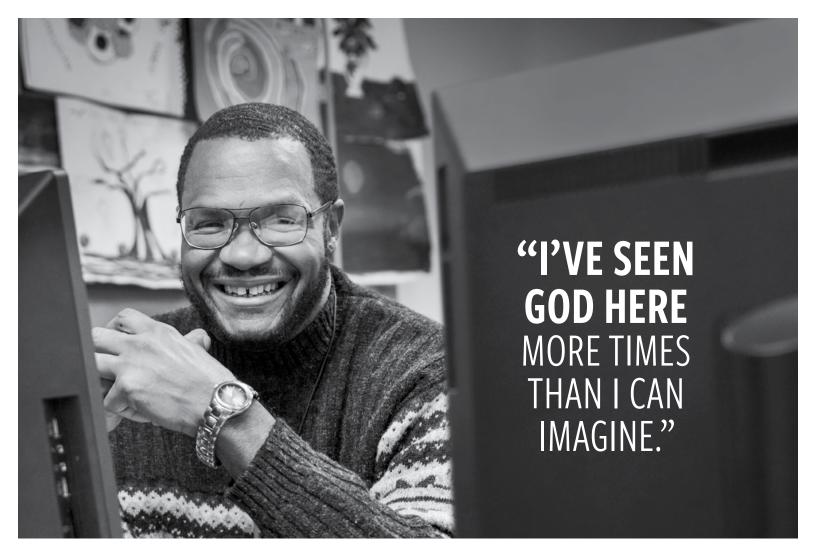
# Market Street Mission DESSENGE 1889

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As David clutched the cash he'd earned selling drugs, he felt a mix of pride and shame.

"I started selling first," he says, "then I started using drugs. As usually happens, I became my own best customer."

What started as a normal job in his dangerous neighborhood led to two decades of addiction and pain that would eventually rob him of everything he loved. When his marriage failed, David was ashamed of what his five children would think of him.

"and there's a big sign: Jesus Saves. I looked at that sign and actually said, 'Please do."

In our care, David recommitted his heart and life to Jesus. He's found peace and joy through the daily routine of classes, counseling, Bible study and working in the Mission's laundry room.

"My life started all over again. I've connected with so many people who have come into my life through my spiritual journey."

### "THE MOST IMPORTANT THING I LEARNED ABOUT GOD IS THAT HE'S FORGIVING. HE WILL NOT LEAVE NOR FORSAKE YOU."

"My addiction crumbled my relationships... every last one of them. I didn't want anyone that cared about me to see me."

David was disgusted with himself when he resorted to selling his own plasma twice a week to get money for drugs and the occasional bite of food. Through God's mercy, that's when David's brother, a graduate of the Mission, convinced him to get help.

The day he came to the Market Street Mission, everything changed for David.

"We pulled up in front of the Mission," he says, smiling,

David has reconciled with his family and is proud of the father he's become. He's thankful for their support and encouragement during his recovery.

One night during chapel service, he felt a calling to go into ministry, and today, he's planning to go back to school. He says, "It was God's grace that brought me here. Now, He's brought me a new calling in life."

Because you gave from your heart to help David, his life has been changed by your goodness and God's love forever. "At the Mission, I'm getting a chance to know myself. It's shown me how to love again."

#### A Message from **DAVE SCOTT**

#### Give Where You Live... to Meet Our Summer Challenge

These past few months have been unsettling for everyone - and most especially for our neighbors in need. Hunger... homelessness... poverty. These hardships can seem even more daunting in the current environment. In times like these, caring for hundreds of hurting individuals presents a challenge that's greater than ever.

Summer is always hard, but this year we're being stretched to the limit. The meals we serve during June, July and August cost \$52,957 alone. On top of that are expenses for crisis-related assistance such as cleansing showers, personal hygiene items, access to medical care, and sanitizing products. And there's no decline in the need for faith-based recovery and practical guidance that empowers our guests to change their lives.

#### We need your help to meet our summer challenge.

During this critical time, I pray you'll continue to remember our homeless and struggling neighbors. They need your encouragement, prayers and compassion now more than ever.

Please give where you live to ensure we can care for every individual who turns to the Market Street Mission for hope and a new beginning, now and in the months ahead. Your partnership brings comfort to so many, especially in

times like these.



G. David Scott **Executive Director** 

#### Through the 3 MONTHS of Summer your gift today helps provide... 18,779 meals nights of shelter life-transforming thousands decisions for of clothing Christ items **Give Where You Live.** countless hours Our 92-Day Summer of counseling & education Campaign is underway now. Give now using the enclosed reply card and envelope. Give online anytime at MarketStreet.org. This time of year, gifts typically drop off, so we need your help now



more than ever.

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92-DAY SUMMER CAMPAIGN

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### **Pastor Peter Amerman**



For years, Pastor Pete has taught the Bible Doctrine class at the Market Street Mission, along with leading our True Strength club. As a local Pastor, Department Chair and Professor at Pillar College, we value the time and knowledge he shares with our guests.

He teaches from his own personal book, *Fired Up*, along with a workbook, to help guide those in our recovery program on their path to healing.

Thank you, Pastor, for everything you do!











## Market Street Mission 5K Race for Recovery

July 4, 2020

This annual event is fun for everyone. Gather your friends and family, and come run or walk – rain or shine. All proceeds benefit the Market Street Mission and our neighbors struggling to free themselves from addiction, poverty or homelessness.

All are welcome, so visit us online to learn more or register today. Visit **MarketStreet.org** for all the details.