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TOMMY IS SO GRATEFUL

you have given him new life!

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"AFTER LIVING ON THE STREETS, I WAS SO THANKFUL TO BE HERE."

Growing up, Tommy had a love-hate relationship with his father. Sometimes his father was a great man, but he was an alcoholic – when he was drunk, he became a different person.

"I loved my dad, but I didn't trust him," he said. "It was always broken promises."

Without a father figure to guide him, Tommy turned to the streets. He began using drugs and drinking at age 10 and soon developed an addiction. "I was around grown people, doing grown things, but I was just a child," he said.

Life in the streets got Tommy in trouble. He was sent to a youth reformatory, put in foster care and spent years stuck in a pattern of back-to-back jail sentences. His addiction ran rampant during this time and stuck with him after he was released. He tried joining a program to turn his life around, but he never addressed the root of his problems and soon went back to using drugs again. This time, however, he found no satisfaction and decided he was sick of living that way. He realized he had two problems: his addiction, and the anger and bitterness behind it.

"I didn't know how I was going to get out, but I knew God had a plan for me, because He brought me through some things I shouldn't have survived," he said.

Once he made the decision to change, he came to the Mission's recovery program, ready to commit to the process of rebuilding his life. "My mind was made up to come out of the storm," he said.

Because of your prayers and support, Tommy found the community he needed to help him grow both personally and spiritually. Through counseling, hard work and fellowship at our thrift store, and the leadership of our staff, Tommy learned the true blessing of putting God first and letting everything else come after. He started going to church and worked on deepening his prayer life. In being honest before the Lord, he found true freedom.

Tommy is thankful for the kindness and compassion of loving neighbors like you – and how you have given him peace and hope for the future. Now, Tommy has graduated from our program and works at our thrift store. His main goal is to raise his grandchildren and teach them about the Lord. Today, he is a new creation in Christ, and he is celebrating the new life God has given him.

MY MIND WAS MADE UP TO COME OUT OF THE STORM.

LOVE YOUR NEIGHBOR -It starts with a meal for \$2.82!



"Dear friends, since God so loved us, we also ought to love one another." - 1 John 4:11, NIV

A Message from DAVE SCOTT

Will You Love Your Neighbor This Summer?

Did you know the Bible tells us to love our neighbor in *eight* different verses? So clearly the Lord calls each of us to not just love, but to love generously. At the Mission, our staff's hearts are filled with love for those who are hurting and lost... and YOU put that love into action with your faithful support.

The summer months can be especially challenging for our neighbors in Northern New Jersey. Those living on the streets face added stress and health risks due to the heat. Parents already struggling to pay the bills have the added burden of childcare costs and more meals to serve.

What's more, the summer months are when we typically see a decline in donations as people are busy with vacations and other activities... and often forget about our struggling neighbors.

That's why I hope we can count on you during the Love Your Neighbor campaign.

I know you won't let these precious neighbors be forgotten during the summer season. That you'll show them someone cares and there is hope for the future.

Thank you for loving our neighbors with your financial support and for keeping us in your prayers this summer as we minister to the hurting - we need it.

G. David Scott CEO/Executive Director

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1 YEAR IN SUSSEX COUNTY

It was such a blessing to open our 14-bed Sussex County hospitality room last summer.

Over the past months, dozens of hungry and homeless men have passed through its doors to find safe shelter, warm showers and nutritious meals. There have been countless moments of fellowship through group Bible studies and recovery meetings, and healing through one-on-one pastoral counseling.

Some of the men have continued their journey in our Life Change Program, which supports them as they rebuild their lives for a more hopeful future through Christ's love.

Find out more about how you can continue to support this new facility and the incredible work it's doing at MarketStreet.org/ Sussex.

Thank you for your gifts and prayers to help men in Sussex (ounty rebuild their lives.

SHOW THEM YOU CARE Help meet our community's needs.



Your gift today provides:





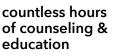
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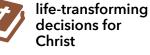
7,250 nights of



hundreds of hygiene items







DONATIONS SLOW LOVE YOUR DOWN IN SUMMER ... NEIGHBOR PLEASE HELP TODAY. 98-DAY SUMMER CAMPAIGN

> Give now at MarketStreet.org. Support our Summer Campaign now.

Run... walk... just don't miss... Our 5K Race for Recovery!

Race, Family Walk and Virtual Challenges Monday, July 4 >> LIVE & VIRTUAL Central Park of Morris County, Parsippany-Troy Hills

It's almost here! Join us on July 4 for our annual 5K Race for Recovery.

You can still register to run or walk in Central Park of Morris County with your whole family and others from the community – while also supporting a great cause!

You can also participate virtually! Join the race from wherever you are and run/walk on your own or with a group to support our hurting neighbors with meals, shelter and care at the Mission.

Learn more or register now at RunSignUp.com/MSM5K.

We hope to see you there!



YOU made a difference in 2021!

Last year, your generosity reached hurting neighbors across Morristown, Asbury Park and Newton. **The time, talents and treasure you shared touched thousands of hurting lives, and they're so grateful to you.**



You helped...



Serve 103,000

meals



Provide 31,500 nights of shelter



Send 28 men through our yearlong Life Change Program

Give \$265,000 in community charity

Thank you for making such an incredible impact in 2021 – and thank you for your continued support in 2022.