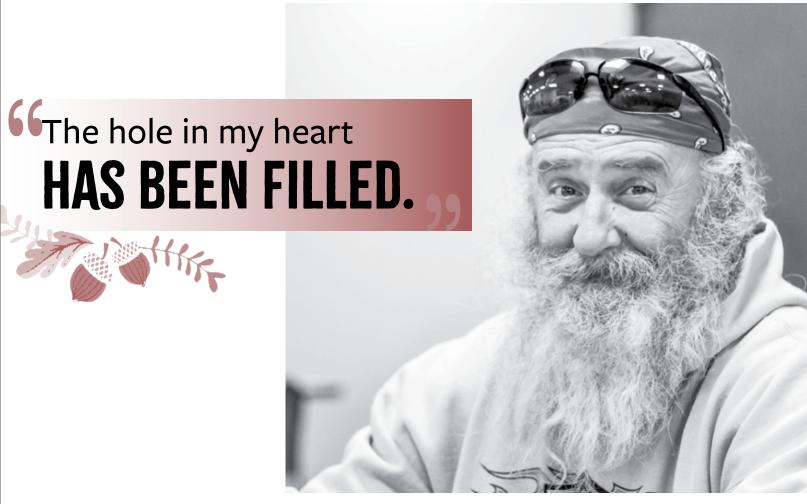
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"I thought to myself, 'I need to go in there and see just what they do.'"

By all outward appearances, Dan had lived a full life: a loving marriage, three beautiful children, a comfortable home, and a job that allowed him to support his family. Yet, while he was thankful for his blessings, he'd always felt something missing inside.

Now at age 57, his wife was gone... his children were grown... and the emptiness in his heart was growing more painful and intense. Finally he surrendered to what he'd known all along. "I needed God in my life," he says.

Dan had driven by the Mission many times in the past, without much thought about what went on inside.

But now it caught his attention and beckoned him to our door.

Still recovering from a recent stroke – and struggling to survive on disability – Dan was grateful to learn we could help him physically, as well as spiritually. In addition to receiving food, shelter, and assistance with daily needs, he also joined our program called P.A.C.E.S (Purpose, Accountability, Christ, Education, and Service). Through this long-term, faith-based curriculum, his longing to know the Lord is being fulfilled through Bible study, Christian fellowship and worship.

"God's Word is just wonderful," he says. "The closer I get to Him, it's like a light shining down that's warm and soothing."

As he regains his strength and prepares to return to a place of his own, he's also found a new purpose for life – sharing God's love with others, including his adult children. Today the void in his heart he endured for so long has finally been filled.

As Dan celebrates this
Thanksgiving, he feels incredibly
thankful for your compassion
and support – and how it's given
him a fresh start in life. "I think
that the Mission is truly there to save
people. I feel a wholeness inside of
me now."

GIVING THANKS FOR ALL GOD'S BLESSINGS

It might surprise you that in another year filled with hardships and uncertainty, the overwhelming messages I hear are ones of gratitude and hope.

Despite the challenges we still face as a community - or perhaps because of them - we remain connected to each other in a spirit of love and generosity. Your care and compassion have never been more evident here at your Evansville Rescue Mission than right now, as we prepare for the Thanksgiving season.

You have stepped up to help our hurting neighbors as God has called us to do. Provided nourishing meals. Safe shelter. Life-restoring guidance. More than that, you've prayed for our ministry and guests. Encouraged others to join our mission to transform lives. Your love has made it possible for hearts to be restored and lives rebuilt. Now that's something to celebrate!

As we count our blessings this Thanksgiving, you and other faithful friends are at the top of my list. As you enjoy the holiday season with your loved ones, both near and far away, I pray God will fill your heart with joy, peace, and the comfort of knowing that lives have been changed thanks to your kindness.

I am grateful for you... today and every day. God bless!



President/CEO

2021 THANKSGIVING CAMPAIGN

It's been another challenging year for so many of our neighbors...

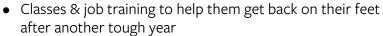
Meals Needed by Thanksgiving

Many of our neighbors are still struggling... trying to get back on their feet... trying not to lose hope. Today, YOU can help them!

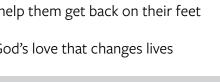
For just \$2.93, you can provide a nourishing meal for a hungry neighbor this Thanksgiving season. And that meal opens the door to so much more...







A chance to experience God's love that changes lives



YOUR GIFT WILL MAKE AN IMPACT!



Please - help us be ready to serve thousands of meals to our less fortunate neighbors during the busy holiday season! **Rush** your 2021 Thanksgiving Campaign gift today.

Give now using the enclosed reply card and envelope.

☐ Give online anytime at **EvansvilleRescueMission.org.**

READ DAN'S STORY TO LEARN MORE!



Psst... don't miss out!

Follow us! Like us!
Be in the know!

Ever read an email or a post that made your day? Then you should **follow us on social media!** It's a great way to be lifted up by seeing how your partnership transforms lives.

Another great way to see your impact is to sign up for our emails!

You'll stay up-to-date on our urgent needs, special events and more. Please tell your friends about us too, and encourage them to be part of the celebration this Thanksgiving!



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OUR THANKSGIVING NEEDS LIST

There's still so much to do to get ready for the Thanksgiving season! Please consider shopping or hosting a food drive for these criticallyneeded items.

Turkeys

Sweet potatoes or yams

Turkey gravy

Brown Sugar

Butter

White onions

Cranberry Sauce

Cream of mushroom soup

French fried onions

Potatoes

Pumpkin pie

Cool Whip

Drop off your donations at **500 E Walnut, Evansville, IN 47713, 8 a.m. to 2 p.m.**

THANK YOU FOR HELPING!

Calling all VOLUNTEERS

Put your God-given talents to work at your Mission to help serve and care for the people who will turn to us this fall. **You can even volunteer remotely!**

Contact us today to see how you can help...

Call: Taylor Humphrey at (812) 421-3800, ext. 1205

Email: taylor.humphrey@ermstaff.org

