

# the REVEALER

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Thanks to you...

*Andrew*

has been given a  
life-changing gift  
this Christmas.

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Miss...**

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**“I was driven  
by God to get  
here.”**



**A**t age 42, Andrew retired from a senior position with a major corporation, thinking the change was what he needed to overcome his addiction to alcohol.

“But it didn’t work out as planned,” he says. After several years of cycling between sobriety and relapse – in and out of recovery centers, therapy, and counseling – he hit rock bottom. His marriage ended... his funds ran out... and he was evicted.


On the verge of homelessness, he came to your Mission, seeking simply the essentials of food and shelter. “Then I found out there’s an amazing discipleship program going on here,” he says. “It is Christian-based!” Because his faith has always been important, and his service to God paramount, he believes the Lord led him to our doors.

Andrew joined your ERM’s P.A.C.E.S. program, which focuses on **Purpose, Accountability, Christ, Education, and Service**, and is encouraged by those around him. “I’m watching men reach out to God and their language is changing, they’re intent on bettering themselves and growing, and that’s humbling to see.” As he follows in their footsteps, he’s finding the strength he needs to hold himself accountable and triumph over addiction.

Fulfilling the service component of the program,

Andrew operates the front desk, answering the phone and helping new residents settle in. “I’m there to serve people in any way I can,” he says, knowing his actions may lead others to the Lord as well.


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**“I think God put this in my life for  
a very purposeful reason that I’ll  
figure out as I’m patient and listen  
to him.”**

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Andrew is grateful for this opportunity to get closer to God and plans to continue serving Him when he leaves our care. “I firmly believe I’m being given lessons, being taught and being humbled, and my ego’s being wiped away. I’m going to be able to do something far greater for Him than run companies.”

**It’s going to be a holiday season filled with joy for Andrew – and he is so grateful to you for this wonderful gift of a new beginning.** “I am hopeful. I am at peace and have optimism that I didn’t have before of being able to get my disease under control and reshape my life.”

## Celebrating Christmas with JOY for All People

In Luke 2:10, the angel says,  
*"Behold, I bring you good tidings  
of great joy, which shall be to all  
people."*

During the Christmas season,  
we hear a lot about joy. It has me  
thinking about how joy is something  
*all people* can have in their hearts.  
This time of year, our greatest joy is  
celebrating the birth of our Savior  
and the eternal life we have been  
freely given.

That joy is what fills our hearts  
Christmas morning... and, hopefully,  
every day of the year. It's the  
same joy I see on the faces of less  
fortunate neighbors who have come  
to your Evansville Rescue Mission  
and experienced God's life-changing  
love up close and personal. The joy  
YOU help them experience through  
your heartfelt prayers and support.

This Christmas, as you reflect on  
the "reason for the season," I hope  
you will remember our neighbors  
who are hurting. As Andrew's story  
shows, your generosity offers help.  
Healing. And a chance to be held in  
the arms of a loving God.

I am continually humbled by the  
faithfulness of friends like you who  
joyfully bless others. Thank you, and  
may God fill your heart with peace  
and love.



*Tracy L. Gorman*

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President/CEO

## A delicious Christmas meal for our homeless neighbors...

### ... STARTS WITH YOU!

As you prepare to celebrate the joy  
of Christmas, please remember our  
hurting neighbors. It's been another  
really tough year for so many in our  
community – and the very best gift  
you can give them is the help they  
need right now!

Just \$2.93 provides a meal and care for  
one person.

That meal is often the first step  
toward a new life through God's love.



**\$2.93**  
for 1 hot meal



**\$23.26**  
for 1 night of  
safe shelter

**CAN GIVE  
SOMEONE**

**Healing  
Hope  
And a Second  
Chance!**

### Please Send Your Christmas Gift Today!

**SEE HOW YOU HELPED CHANGE ANDREW'S LIFE!**

*"The Lord bless you and keep you; the Lord make his face shine on you and  
be gracious to you; the Lord turn his face toward you and give you peace."*

*-Numbers 6:24-26 (NIV)*

*Wishing you and your loved ones a  
Merry Christmas!*

During this joyous holiday season, our prayer is that God will richly bless  
you just as you have blessed your hurting neighbors. Your incredible  
generosity has opened the door for healing and transformation by  
providing 300,830 meals and 54,750 nights of safe shelter this year.

May His face shine upon you and bring you peace, comfort, and joy...  
today and all throughout the new year. Thank you, and Merry Christmas!



# Give 2X the *Help* on GIVING TUESDAY

*Tuesday, November 30*

**Giving Tuesday** is the perfect time to give back... especially because of our **\$20,000 Matching Challenge!** During this special day of giving, your dollars will double to provide life-changing essentials and services. That's 2x the meals... 2x the shelter... and 2x the recovery services that help people right here in our Tri-State Area.

This is a time for neighbors to help neighbors – especially those who are still struggling to overcome hardships and rebuild their lives on solid ground.

## Why Wait? Celebrate GIVING TUESDAY Now!

- ✓ Add your special Giving Tuesday gift on the reply card and send it today.
- 📧 Give online at [EvansvilleRescueMission.org](http://EvansvilleRescueMission.org).

## 3 Easy Ways YOU Can Help this Christmas!

### FEED HUNGRY FOLKS



Want to nourish your neighbors? Donate these foods to help prepare thousands of meals this holiday season. Please deliver them to

**500 E Walnut St, Evansville, IN 47715.**

turkeys & hams \* boxes of stuffing \* bags of potatoes \* canned fruits and vegetables  
coffee, creamer & sugar



### MEET BASIC NEEDS



Looking to cover the basics? These essential items keep guests at your Mission safe and comfortable during their time in our care.

Please drop off donations at **500 E Walnut St, Evansville, IN 47715.**

warm socks \* thermal underwear \* winter boots  
hygiene items \* hats and gloves

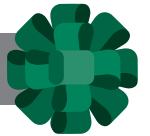
### GIVE GIFT CARDS



No time to shop? Donating gift cards for these merchants helps purchase holiday gifts as well as year-round necessities.

Please mail or deliver them to **500 E Walnut St, Evansville, IN 47715.**

Walmart \* Target \* Dollar General \* meijer \* Schnucks



**THANK YOU FOR MAKING THIS CHRISTMAS A TIME OF JOY!**