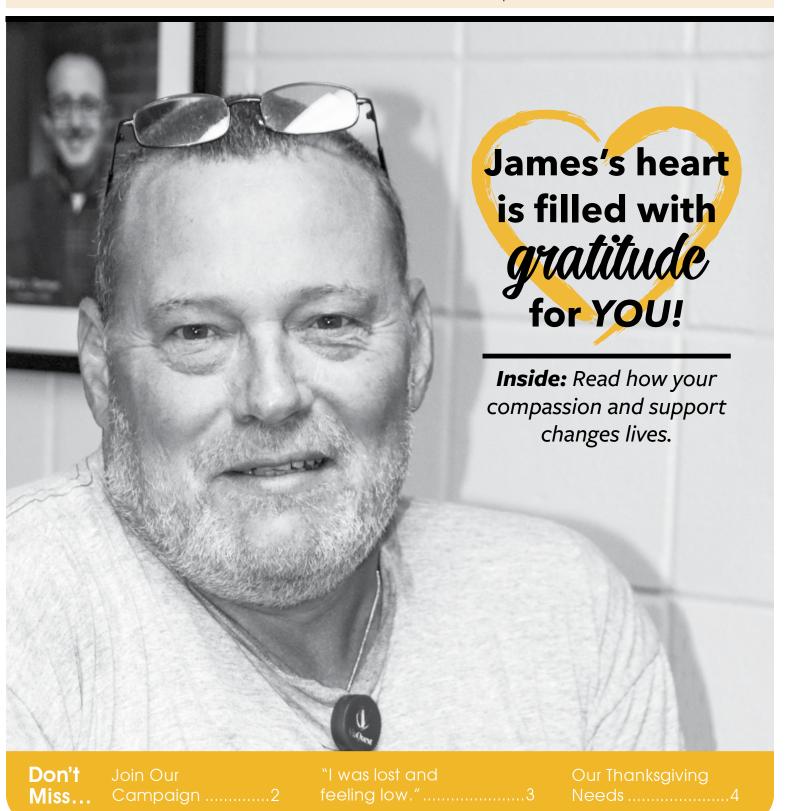
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While James was in the hospital having heart surgery, his girlfriend took off with their clothes, furniture... everything. He was left without a relationship, home, and job all at once. He was devastated by her betrayal and abandonment.

"She moved off to another state and I was stuck with nowhere to go," he says. "It all came crashing down at once."

James stayed in a hotel for a while until his savings dried up. Out of money and options, he remembered a friend who had stayed at your Mission and decided to see if there was room for him. "I was just wanting a place to stay and get back on my feet."

The day he walked into your Evansville Rescue Mission, everything changed for James.

"When I got to the Mission, I didn't really have anything, but they helped me out," he says, smiling. "It's an absolutely wonderful place."

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If you're in a bad position, with nowhere to go, this is the place for you. People at the Mission will help you.

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James felt such a warm welcome and outpouring of love in our care that he decided to enter our P.A.C.E.S. long-term restoration program. The classes and Bible studies reawakened his faith and renewed his spirit.

"The teachers are great. They explain things so it makes sense and I learned a lot. It really brought me closer to God."

Today, James works full-time at your Mission and is thankful for his job. He plans to stay on after graduation to continue to grow in the Lord and fellowship with other guests and staff.

"I can see myself finishing out my working years at the Mission. It's a good place to work and be around for anybody that needs help."

This Thanksgiving season – and all through the year – your kind generosity fills hearts with hope and gratitude... and transforms lives through God's love!

"I have three little grandbabies that I'd like to see grow up, and the Mission got me back to where I want to be. I get up every day feeling good."



You fill my heart with Thanksgiving.

The past few months have been challenging for all of us. No one is immune to the stress of uncertainty or the fear of the unknown. And especially this year, far too many of our neighbors have also felt the harsh reality of losing their livelihoods their ability to provide for themselves or their families. They join scores of others already turning to your Evansville Rescue Mission for food, shelter, and life-restoring guidance.

Yet, through it all, my heart is filled with gratitude - for God's faithfulness... the goodness of mankind... and your dedication to serving "the least of these."

As more struggling individuals reach out to us, you are there for them. You are among the heroes who put others' needs above your own. You join us on the front lines of compassion and kindness, loving your neighbors when they need it most. Now, as we anticipate an increased need for food and care throughout the fall, my greatest hope is that you'll continue your amazing support this Thanksgiving season.

Regardless of the season or the challenges around us, remembering our blessings brings us comfort, peace, and joy. This Thanksgiving, as we gather with our loved ones, I pray each of us finds strength in God... one another... and our own grateful hearts.



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Tracy L. Gorman President/CEO



Join our 2020 THANKSGIVING CAMPAIGN!

Please help us now to prepare for the thousands of meals we'll serve to our community's less fortunate throughout the Thanksgiving season. Your generosity will not only provide nourishing food for hungry neighbors, but also opportunities for lives to be restored:

faith-based counseling • life-skills classes vocational training • and more!

Your giving spirit can mean a new beginning for hurting individuals and families right here in our community. Share your heart of thanksgiving by giving your **2020 Thanksgiving** Campaign gift today.



Give now using the enclosed reply card and envelope.



Give online anytime at EvansvilleRescueMission.org.

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Our hearts are filled with Thanksgiving for your faithful support!

SEE HOW YOUR GIFT WILL MAKE AN IMPACT!





for 1 hot meal

safe shelter

for 1 night of

Practical guidance and God's life-changing LOVE

READ JAMES'S STORY TO LEARN MORE!

We Need VOLUNTEERS

Your helping hands and giving hearts will help us serve and care for the thousands of neighbors who will turn to us this fall! You can even volunteer remotely!



Contact us today to see how you can help... Call Taylor:

(812) 421-3800, ext. 1205 Email:

taylor.humphrey@ermstaff.org Or visit EvansvilleRescueMission.org to find out more or sign up now!

Our Thanksgiving Needs <u>Ji</u>st

Please consider shopping or hosting a food drive for these items we need to feed our hungry guests throughout the Thanksgiving season.

10-13 lb. frozen turkeys

5 1b. bagged potatoes

5 16. bagged onions

Fresh celery

Cornbread mix

Macaroni & cheese

14 oz. cans of: green beans, corn, peas, cranberry sauce, yams & chicken broth

Stuffing mix

Cake mix (no icing)

Egg noodles



Drop off your food donations at **your Mission at 500 East Walnut Street.**

Thank you for helping!

Don't Miss a Single Mission Moment!

Follow us on social media and sign up for our emails to stay up-to-date on our Thanksgiving activities, urgent needs, special events, and how your partnership is transforming lives. Be sure to tell your friends about us too, and encourage them to help this Thanksgiving!

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