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The best Christmas
gift there is...

Tommie

has joy and new life,
thanks to you!



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“Wax on, wax off, that’s what my mom taught us,” says Tommie, a guest at your Evansville Rescue Mission. He’s responsible for leading the cleaning crew here. “Make everything clean, so when someone visits here, they see everything is spotless. **It’s a challenge, but I want my name to stand out here. This is God’s house.**”

Tommie was born and raised in government housing, or what he calls “the projects.” But while he grew up in poverty, he grew up rich as well.

“I had a great father figure and my mom was the best mother on earth,” he says. “She raised us in church and she taught us Christian morals and principles, and how to be responsible Christian adults.”

Yet, Tommie’s had his ups and downs in life. He’s seen his share of struggles. Before coming to your Evansville Rescue Mission, he was hanging with the “wrong crowd,” and he got into a bad relationship. When the relationship ended, he was homeless and came to your Mission.

“Another thing my mom taught me was to never make excuses,” he says. “I needed a chance to start over. My mom is deceased now, but I want to make her proud.”

Tommie hit the ground running and devoted himself to growing closer to Jesus, to healing his wounds, to honor

the opportunity he’s been given, and to always be grateful.

“Since coming to Evansville Rescue Mission, I’ve got my foundations straight again,” he says. “I have a job now, and I’m working hard to the best of my ability. I’m trying to save enough money to start my own lawn care service. **Even though I was homeless, I want to show people what I can do with my life.** I believe your dreams will come true if you just think and stay focused and humble.

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“I’m thankful that Evansville Rescue Mission and all the donors gave me this chance to prove I could make it in life.”

Tommie is excited to celebrate the restored hope he has been given this Christmas – and wants YOU to know just how grateful he is. “Thank you for helping me to grow and make this change in my life.”



Give 2X the help on GIVING TUESDAY

Tuesday, November 29

A Message from
TRACY L. GORMAN

The JOY that Comes from Christ

Don't you just love the words of John 1:14? *"The Word became flesh and made His dwelling among us. We have seen His glory, the glory of the one and only Son, who came from the Father, full of grace and truth."*

As we rejoice over the birth of our Savior, it's such a blessing to know God fills our hearts with joy everlasting – today and every day. His faithfulness sustains us through every circumstance and His grace offers renewal in our lives... as well as in the lives of those we serve.

While we do provide Christmas gifts to the guests in our care, what's most important is that they know about Jesus' sacrifice and the gift of salvation that is freely given to us all.

Thanks to your friendship, we're able to share the "good tidings of great joy for all people" during the holidays and throughout the year. Your fervent prayers and ongoing support help restore lives – and wrap our less fortunate neighbors in God's loving embrace.

Just like Tommie, whose story we've shared on page 3, God still works miracles in the lives of people all around us.

This Christmas, I hope your heart overflows with peace, joy, and love as your blessings abound.



Tracy L. Gorman
President/CEO

SHARE A CHRISTMAS MEAL...

You can help make this Christmas a time of celebration for our community's less fortunate. With so many obstacles to overcome during this season of hardship, they need a helping hand and to experience God's love!



\$2.93
for 1 hot meal



\$23.26
for 1 night of
safe shelter

**CAN GIVE
SOMEONE**



Please Send Your Christmas Gift Today!

Volunteers Needed

Do you have a heart for people here at your Mission? **We would love for you to join us as a volunteer!**

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

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

Email:
taylor.humphrey@ermstaff.org

Or visit **EvansvilleRescueMission.org** to find out more or sign up now!



**You transformed
hearts & lives this
year...**



“Before I came to Evansville Rescue Mission, I was a broken man – spiritually, mentally, and physically. Today, I have a renewed state of mind, body, and spirit.”



“I’m thankful for Evansville Rescue Mission because they’ve given me a new life.”

*To read more stories of hope that YOU helped make possible, visit us at **EvansvilleRescueMission.org/news**. Thank you for caring about those in need, and may God bless you this Christmas!*

Shop at Our New Thrift Store

Do you want to save a little money on clothes, furniture, appliances, or household items while supporting a worthy cause?

Look no further than Evansville Rescue Mission’s brand new “The Thrift Store,” located in the Washington Square Mall.

The Thrift Store has a little bit of everything for everyone ranging from gently-used clothing (infant to adult sizes) to furniture pieces, used appliances (that are in good condition), linens, a variety of knick-knacks, and brand-new mattresses. Our prices are comparable to other thrift stores, if not better.



You’ll be happy to know your thrift store purchase will directly benefit the different ministries of your Evansville Rescue Mission, allowing us the privilege of meeting the needs of our community’s homeless men and women, troubled teenagers, and disadvantaged youth daily.

For more information, visit **EvansvilleRescueMission.org** and click on **“What We Do.”**