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Thank you for showing him that new life is possible.





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A Message from LOU CARRICO

THE PROMISES OF **EASTER**

Have you ever seen the realization cross someone's face the first time they understand the gravity of Christ's death and resurrection? It's one of my favorite things about Easter at the Winston-Salem Rescue Mission. It's a privilege to be a small part of their story, as our guests celebrate the promises of joy and hope this season brings.

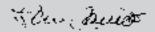
You too are a part of our guests' stories, as you share God's love with them by providing nutritious meals, safe shelter and other services to change their lives.

Your faithful prayers and generosity help hopeless and hurting men in our community find a home through our doors. They also find HOPE – hope for their future, and hope in the promises we celebrate at Easter.

Thank you for showing our hurting neighbors in need that you care about them – in their present circumstances, for their future and for eternity. You show them they are loved. You help restore their dignity, and ignite in them a desire to change their circumstances.

Together with God's faithfulness, you help turn stories of pain into promises of new life in Christ.

Thank you... happy Easter... and God bless!



Lou Carrico Executive Director



JOIN OUR PRAYER TEAM!



You're invited to make an eternal impact! Join our Prayer Team to lift up the needs of our neighbors, our ministry and our community.

Through our Prayer Team, you'll receive monthly prayer updates via email so you can bring our most pressing needs to the Lord in prayer – and share them with your church family. You'll also see praises so you can celebrate the good work God is doing!

God promises He hears us, anytime and anywhere.

Join our team today at wsrescue.org/prayer-warriors.



SHARE JOY THIS EASTER SEASON

Help meet the needs of our hurting neighbors!

With Easter coming early this year, we need your help to welcome every neighbor who comes to our doors! YOU can help meet their needs and fill hearts with joy...







Christ-centered care & healing in our lifechange programs!



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Alex had always lived in fear of missing out on life, so he ran here and there, making rash decisions, saying "Yes" to everything that came along. "I always needed to be doing something and I never thought about the consequences of my actions for other people or myself," he says.

Eventually, he turned to drugs and alcohol to numb his fear. "I wanted to escape from my reality."

But, instead, he developed an addiction that led to even more harmful choices. Finally, he



decided to start over someplace else. "I left everything in Illinois and hopped on a bus headed for South Carolina."

But when the bus made a stop in Winston-Salem, Alex felt compelled to stay here, and for a month he wandered around the city, wondering what to do, how to change his life. Then one day, he happened across the Rescue Mission. "I started talking to a case worker, and when he told me what the Rescue Mission did, I checked in," Alex says. "It was miraculous that I ended up here."

He began his journey of healing in our Life Builders Program, where he strengthened his faith through chapel services, daily devotions and biblical counseling. "I realized that the only way I could get better was through a strong relationship with God."

After graduating, he went on to our Transformers Program, where he addressed the root causes of his destructive



behavior and learned to live out his faith. "They helped me overcome my fear and it completely changed my mindset and my lifestyle."

Now, Alex has recently been hired as an employee of the Mission. His plan is to save money for a place of his own and eventually go to college. "This is the first time I've ever had a plan and I'm so excited."

Thank you for sharing God's love with Alex this Easter. His life has been renewed through the joy and hope of the Gospel! "The Rescue Mission has given me hope and a future."



Host a fundraiser

CHANGE A LIFE

When you host a fundraiser, your small group, church or business will have fun and enjoy fellowship, while raising vital support for our life-changing programs.

There are so many possibilities:

- Have a barbecue or a bake sale
- · Hold a group yard sale
- · Run a car wash
- Host a luncheon featuring Rescue Mission residents and their testimonies of hope

With your group's imagination, energy and compassion, the sky's the limit. And you'll know that every dime you raise is helping touch and change lives here at the Rescue Mission.

For more information, contact Contact Dusty Wilson, Donor Relations Manager at __ dusty.wilson@wsrescue.org or \(\cdot \) (336) 723-1848, ext. 137.



God's Promise of Joy

"If you keep My commandments, you will abide in My love, just as I have kept My Father's commandments and abide in His love. These things I have spoken to you, that My joy may remain in you, and that your joy may be full." - John 15:10-11

Leave a Legacy of Blessing

We know you care deeply about the hurting and broken in the Triad. Your compassionate heart is evident in all you do to share your blessings.

Because of your generous spirit, you may want to continue caring for those in need beyond your lifetime. When you include the Winston-Salem Rescue Mission in your will or estate plan, you'll be leaving a legacy of healing and hope for those who come through our doors in the days ahead.

One way is to include the following statement in your will or trust:

"I (your name), of (city, state, zip), give, devise and bequeath to the Winston-Salem Rescue Mission, Winston-Salem, NC, (percentage of your estate or description of property) for its unrestricted use and purpose."

For more information, please contact us at **\((336) 842-5300** or **\(\subseteq \) legacy@wsrescue.org.**

Thank you!