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Fall 2024

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Giving thanks for **YOU**

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A Message from LOU CARRICO

Sometimes I wonder, what would become of the struggling neighbors the Winston-Salem Rescue Mission cares for if it wasn't for your compassion and generosity?

I think of people like Rodney, whose story you can read on Page 3 – his testimony is a powerful reminder of how God works through the gifts and prayers of friends like you to transform lives, now and for eternity!

I thank God for how YOU are providing hope, help and healing to people who are hurting in our community.

From the essentials of food, warm clothing and safe shelter... to long-term healing and stability through our

recovery programs – with you beside us and Christ as our foundation – our ministry can provide all this and even more life-changing services this fall.

As we prepare to provide an estimated 49,761 meals to our hungry neighbors, I pray you'll continue to share your time, talent and gifts with our ministry, knowing God will use your blessings to restore hope in many lives.

Thank you for giving me – and countless guests at the Winston-Salem Rescue Mission – a reason to give thanks this fall!

Lou Carrico, Executive Director



Chapel Changes Lives

“So then faith comes by hearing, and hearing by the word of God.”

- Romans 10:17

Attending chapel at the Rescue Mission can be a major turning point in the life of someone who has lost all hope. After struggling with hopelessness, addiction, abuse or other heartbreak, many find it difficult to trust God.

Chapel helps build faith!

Through regular prayer, worship, Bible study and fellowship, men feel inspired to make positive changes in their lives... and many even experience God's love for the first time!

Are you or your church interested in getting involved with chapel or donating large-print Bibles for our guests? For more info, contact us at (336) 723-1848 or daniel.mcneill@wsrescue.org

Join Our

2024 THANKSGIVING CAMPAIGN

49,761

Meals Needed this Fall and Thanksgiving Season

During this Fall and Thanksgiving season guests in our recovery programs will gather here at the Rescue Mission. Many are alone... longing to overcome hopelessness and poverty... wishing they could reunite with their families.

For just \$3.76, YOU can provide a meal and care to nourish their bodies and lift their spirits. Your gift welcomes someone who is hurting and surrounds them with life-changing care:

Safe, welcoming shelter

Warm clothing, coats & shoes

Classes & job training

God's unconditional love

Please help our neighbors in need this holiday season! Send your 2024 Thanksgiving Campaign gift today using the enclosed reply card and envelope OR online at wsrescue.org.

Scan to see how you can help this fall!

“The Rescue Mission cradled our hurting son **in God’s love.**”

Rodney grew up in a loving, Christian home, but he never learned about the dangers of addiction. “We were really naïve about drugs,” his mother, Kathy, says.

After he left home, Rodney fell in with a rough crowd, and when they started partying, he joined in. “I was hanging out with the wrong people at the wrong time,” he says.

Over the years, Rodney’s addiction escalated, but he kept it hidden from his parents. “He’d call to chat and gave us no indication that he was into drugs,” Kathy says.

Eventually, Rodney wound up living in his car. For six months, he struggled to get by, and finally, he moved home. That’s when his parents realized something was terribly wrong. They tried to help their son, but to no avail. “We gave up hope,” his father, Jimmy, says.

But during his years away from home, Rodney had a child, and one day, the boy called and gave his father an ultimatum. “He said that if I didn’t change, he wouldn’t have anything to do with me anymore,” Rodney says.

It was the catalyst Rodney needed to change his life. He entered our Life Builders Program, and through devotions, chapel services, counseling and life skills classes, he surrendered his life to the Lord and learned to live out his faith. “I got saved and they gave me a firm foundation to stand on.”

Rodney graduated and is now living with his parents and his son, working and saving money for a home. He’s planted in a church, and in his free time, he volunteers at the Rescue Mission, sharing his testimony with other hurting men. “The change in Rodney is remarkable,” Jimmy says. “We’re so proud.”

“It’s the best feeling in the world to have my parents feel like that about me again,” Rodney adds.

This fall, Rodney gives thanks for YOU and your incredible generosity. Your prayers and support have helped change his life. “The Rescue Mission cradled our hurting son in God’s love.”

“I found God here.”



Donate Your Vehicle. Help Change a Life.



Looking to make a meaningful impact? Donate your used vehicle to the Rescue Mission and you'll help bring food, shelter and life-changing care to our hopeless and hurting neighbors.

We make it fast and easy to donate:

If your vehicle RUNS:

- Contact Dane Smith at **America's Auto Mart**, at 📞 **(336) 785-1205**.
- Auto Mart will let us know about your donation, transfer your vehicle, take care of any necessary paperwork and give you a donation receipt.

If your vehicle does NOT run:

- Contact **Foss Recycling** at 📞 **(336) 788-9122**.
- They will pick up your vehicle and let us know about your donation.

All proceeds from the sale of your vehicle or its parts will go to support our programs that help change lives. And your donations are tax-deductible.

For more information call 📞 **(336) 842-5308**.



CELEBRATING NEW BEGINNINGS... THANKS TO YOU!

Join us for an evening of celebration at our annual Transformers Graduation!

You'll hear inspirational testimonies from the courageous men who've made the challenging journey from dependence and despair to self-reliance and hope through our long-term program.

And you'll have the opportunity to pray for them as they launch out on their own, equipped with the life skills and faith they need, thanks to your support and God's grace.

We can't wait to see you there!

WHAT: Transformers Graduation

WHEN: Friday, October 4, 2024

WHERE: Center Grove Church

**(8750 Lasater Rd,
Clemmons, NC 27012)**

