

SOME NEW LIFE PROGRAM MEMBERS SHARE THEIR THANKS!



"I am grateful that the New Life Program helps heal my hurts and pains so I can be whole, for my five healthy children, and that I have salvation." - **Kelly**



"The Rescue Mission has helped myself, my father, uncle, and brother get sober. I have my family back and my soul back and am eternally thankful." - **Morgan**



"I am thankful for a place to sleep, food to eat, and most of all a chance to work on my recovery from my addiction." - **Michael**



"I am thankful for God's love, a second chance at life and the Rescue Mission helping me be a better me, mom, daughter, sister, and friend." - **Sarah**



"I am thankful to be a part of Rescue Mission Women's Center. I'm thankful for God, family, and this program, which is changing my life." - **Shari**



"I am grateful to know that I am not a lost cause and that a person is more than just a sum of their past mistakes." - **Joe**



"I am grateful for a recovery program that doesn't depend on whether you have enough money or insurance, but that cares about helping people like me." - **David**



"I am thankful to have a place to stay, for my family, for God, and for all the people who help provide for me." - **Kim**

NOVEMBER 2018 - CHAPEL AND KITCHEN SERVING SCHEDULE

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1 Chapel: RMSL Kitchen: Volunteers Welcome!	2 Chapel: Mt Oly Presbyterian Kitchen: Volunteers Welcome!	3 Chapel: Bible Baptist Kitchen: So. Valley Comm. Church
4 Chapel: Gospel Grace Kitchen: Gospel Grace	5 Chapel: First Baptist West Valley Kitchen: First Baptist West Valley	6 Chapel: Calvary Chapel of Salt Lake Kitchen: Intermt. Baptist Youth	7 Chapel: SMCC Kitchen: SMCC Youth Group	8 Chapel: Millcreek Baptist Kitchen: Volunteers Welcome!	9 Chapel: Hilltop United Methodist Kitchen: Volunteers Welcome!	10 Chapel: Berean Bible Kitchen: Volunteers Welcome!
11 Chapel: Abundant Life Kitchen: Volunteers Welcome!	12 Chapel: Intermt. Baptist Kitchen: Volunteers Welcome!	13 Chapel: Unity Baptist Kitchen: Alpha Tau Omega - U of U	14 Chapel: Northern Utah Mennonite Kitchen: Southeast Youth Group	15 Chapel: New Begins. Christian Fellowship Kitchen: Capital Church	16 Chapel: RMSL Kitchen: Volunteers Welcome!	17 Chapel: Southside Church of Christ Kitchen: Southside Church of Christ
18 Chapel: Abundant Life Kitchen: Volunteers Welcome!	19 Chapel: Bennion Christian Center Kitchen: Volunteers Welcome!	20 Chapel: K2 - The Church Kitchen: Volunteers Welcome!	21 Chapel: Discovery Christian Comm. Kitchen: Discovery Christian Comm.	22 Chapel: Tooele Christ. Fellowship Kitchen: Volunteers Welcome!	23 Chapel: Midvalley Bible Kitchen: Volunteers Welcome!	24 Chapel: EV Free Church of Salt Lake Kitchen: Volunteers Welcome!
25 Chapel: Grace Community Bible Kitchen: Volunteers Welcome!	26 Chapel: Living Waters Kitchen: Volunteers Welcome!	27 Chapel: Canyons Church Kitchen: First Baptist Tooele	28 Chapel: First Methodist Kitchen: Volunteers Welcome!	29 Chapel: RMSL Kitchen: Volunteers Welcome!	30 Chapel: Utah Partner. for Christ Kitchen: Utah Partner. for Christ	RSVP for the New Life Banquet!

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GLADE JAMES: A Sober Father Reconnects with His Daughter

When I joined the Rescue Mission of Salt Lake's New Life Program last year, I received a surprise. A group of us on the program were invited to a retreat at Big Canyon, an upscale camp nestled above Wanship.

At the time, I didn't know what I believed about God but at the retreat we talked a lot about the Bible and shared specific things we were struggling with. One thing I shared was my desire to reconnect with my daughter. She was six months old when I began a seven-year prison term for robbery. Throughout most of her life I have been in and out of prison or using drugs. I had only talked to her a handful of times and she is now turning 23. At the time we were at the camp, the last conversation I had with her was six years ago.

I shared with the other men at the camp that I didn't know how to approach my daughter or even find her. I didn't know how she would react to me trying to contact her after all these years of not being there.

But the other men shared some ideas with me and, despite my hesitancy about spiritual things, we began to pray that God would somehow make a reunion possible.

I had been back from the retreat for three hours when the phone rang at the Rescue Mission's front desk. The desk clerk said the call was for me and when I said "hello," my daughter was on the other end. She said she had been thinking about me and found out from my sister that I was at the Rescue Mission.

We talked. She was gracious and loving and since that day we have been able to see each other several times. She recently graduated from the U of U with a finance degree and she and her new husband are both pursuing their master's degrees.

While reconnecting with my daughter, and her loving acceptance of me, has been incredible, the amazing thing was seeing God directly answer prayer. I grew up going to a church that seemed to believe in a judgmental God. I never really looked at the loving and forgiving aspects of Jesus Christ. I believed that I had lived such a poor life, there was no way I could be forgiven for the pain I had caused.



Glade James has reconnected with his daughter and has a great job with Utah Food Services.

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TEAM WORK HELPS TO RESTORE BROKEN LIVES

Jesus had a team of 12 people (his closest friends) who worked with him to accomplish his ministry. He called these 12, taught them, and then they labored alongside each other to accomplish God's mission.



While these days we might think of team work as a business or athletics concept Jesus' team-based approach to ministry is key to all we do at the Mission.

As a team, our staff and key volunteers lead the daily services of the Rescue Mission: counsel, pray for, and teach the men and women on our recovery program.

As a team, our staff and volunteers, serve food, perform nightly chapel services, make up beds with clean sheets, scrub our showers and toilets, and hand out warm clothes.

As a team, our Board of Directors lead and guide the Rescue Mission.

As a team, our supporters faithfully donate to enable our lights to stay on as well as all the work of the Rescue Mission.

I am blessed to be a part of this team and serve alongside you and our staff. We take comfort in knowing that incorporating team work into ministry is the Biblical model Jesus created and that there is no way one person could do it alone.

Besides our daily routine, we have several large projects and events throughout the year that we could not accomplish without our entire team working together. Two of these large events are coming up this month - Our annual Thanksgiving Banquet for the homeless and our New Life Banquet

for our supporters and volunteers.

These events need food coordination, financial support, prayer, communications, and many other logistics. They could not happen without the team work of so many people.

Together our goal is not just to provide a meal, but to *Restore Broken Lives*. Our New Life Program accomplishes this goal by addressing the cause of homelessness and creates change through Biblical teaching, education, life skills training, and medical treatment to enable a person to reach their highest potential. We often say that *hope begins with a meal*, and often does. Yet that is just the beginning.

It's great to be part of a team working towards the goal of ending homelessness and Restoring Broken Lives. Thank you for being part of our team through supporting, praying, and volunteering. If you ever want to become more involved, give me a call, drop me a letter, or shoot over an email. We can always use more team members to help accomplish this important work and I know you will be blessed to be part of the team!

Serving Christ together,

Chris D. Croswhite
Executive Director

P.S. Please join us for one or both of our Banquet events this month and enjoy the fruit of our team work!

We have two job openings!

1. Administrative assistant, email Eileen@RescueSaltLake.org for a job description.
2. Supervisor and case manager at our Women's Center, email Chris@RescueSaltLake.org for details.

These are not just numbers, they are lives impacted!

September 2018 YTD 2018

Professions of Faith	26	256
Meals	11,750	120,345
Family Food Boxes	100	1,056
Nights of Shelter	3,829	39,621
Clothing	3,823	39,621
Day Service/Hygiene	1,474	12,456
Jobs Obtained	3	45
Housing Obtained	4	46

Our Stats

how your gift helps

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But God is working on me. I still don't feel like I know a lot about God, but I am learning. I know through my experience that He answers prayers. I also know that learning more about Him at the Rescue Mission and my home church, Calvary Chapel, has helped me stay sober and have a changed life.

Before I came to the Mission, I hadn't had much success staying sober. Despite growing up in Salt Lake, I started using drugs when I was just 11 years old and never really stopped. I was kicked out of the Air Force for using cocaine and, after that, spent a lot of time in and out of jail or prison for drug-related charges. Because of my drug abuse, I could never hold down a job for long and struggled to maintain stable housing and relationships.

Joining the recovery program at the Mission showed me just how selfish I had become. When you are using drugs, you don't really care about other people and are instead focused inwardly, on how you can satisfy your own craving for drugs. The Mission's New Life Program helps to flip that inward focus to an outward one.

There is so much work for New Life Program members to do and so many homeless individuals who are coming in the door for services, it forces you to care about and serve others. You don't have time to be selfish, but instead care about meeting the needs of the homeless who want help.

That shift from being inward focused and selfish to being more compassionate towards others has helped change

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me and helped take away the constant need I had to satisfy myself with drugs.

A few months ago, I began the employment phase of the New Life Program and was blessed to get a job with Utah Food Services, a catering company that services big events at the Salt Palace Convention Center and Mountain America Expo Center in Sandy. I am grateful to be working again and have saved up enough money to afford an apartment of my own. Because I am a felon, I

am having some trouble finding a landlord who will rent to me so please pray I could find an affordable place to live.

At 58 I am thinking about a sober future for the first time.

Pray that as I grow older I could continue to work, stay sober, grow my relationship with my daughter, and learn more about God. Thank you so much for supporting the Rescue Mission and helping to change my life!

Leesa's gift of a good night's sleep

Inspired by a nine-year-old homeless advocate Chase Hansen (pictured), Leesa Sleep, an online mattress retailer, donated 150 mattresses to the Rescue Mission in October. UTA police joined in the giving by donating 150 pillows with other donors providing mattress covers. Olive Garden even served lunch for everyone who helped unpack the mattresses. Our homeless friends are loving the new comfort!



It's not too late to give toward our Thanksgiving Banquet. **Please donate today!** We are still trying to gather the food and supplies we need, not only for our great Thanksgiving feast for the homeless, but also for our Christmas Banquet, which is just around the corner. Use the enclosed envelope, give online, or call us @ 801.746.1006.



Remember to RSVP for our New Life Banquet - It will be a great night!

Our New Life Banquet is complimentary, but seating is limited so RSVP if you will be joining us. RSVP at RescueSaltLake.org/RestoringHope or call 801-746-1006 to RSVP over the phone.

Come and be inspired by stories from the Mission and receive an invitation to pray, volunteer and invest in changing lives, to make a difference in the lives of the homeless here in Utah.

Date: November 10, 2018

Calvary Chapel Salt Lake - 460 W. Century Drive

Time: 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.