

If you're wrapping up your spring cleaning and have gently used furniture, appliances, clothing, books, and household items to unload, please bring them to the Faith Mission Thrift Store.

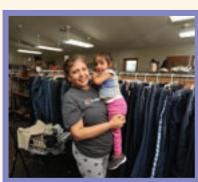
When you donate goods to the thrift store, you help support life-changing Mission programs, provide our guests with clothing and other essential items, and promote valuable work experience for men and women in recovery.

#### **Drop Off Details:**

Where: 335 LaSalle Street. off Benham Avenue (next to the Dollar General)

When: Mon, 9 a.m. - 12 p.m. Tues-Sat. 9 a.m. - 5 p.m.

(closed Sunday)





## Lives you have touched this month in Michiana



Men and women in our recovery programs



More than 15,000 meals served



Safe shelter for over 200 individuals each night



Bible study and chapel services



Prayer, counseling and education

Thank you for making everything possible!

### **GIVE. VOLUNTEER. CONNECT.**

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#### Match my gift to DOUBLE the amount of help. ☐ Bill my credit card ☐ Make this a monthly gift \$25.48 for **26 meals and care** $\square$ \$50.96 for **52 meals and care** ☐ \$76.44 for **78 meals and care** LJ \$\_ to help as many people as possible

Email Phone #

It's easy to give your gift securely online at: theFaithMission.org

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# A life turned upside down... and inside out.

Abused as a child. A victim of domestic violence. Homeless. Addicted. Her son in foster care. Candace had no one to turn to and nowhere to go. Until she found Faith Mission!

Learn more about Candace's near miraculous recovery inside, and how your prayers and support are helping hundreds of men and women like her each and every day.

Read more inside!

## Just for you...

- A brighter future!
- "You feel God everywhere in this place!"
- Changed Lives with **Donated Goods**
- Lives You Have Touched



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NOTES FROM THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

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## A brighter future!

We all have our ups and downs.

For most of us, there are family and friends around us who provide love, support and help during difficult times.

For individuals like Candace, there are friends like you and Faith Mission.

With your prayers and your partnership, God is working every day in the lives of those we serve who are hungry, homeless and in need. Because of you they're able to experience the promise of Isaiah 41:

"...do not fear, for I am with you; do not be dismayed, for I am your God. I will strengthen you and help you; I will uphold you with my righteous right hand."

Those who are hungry are fed.

Families and individuals who are homeless are provided shelter.

Once their immediate needs are met, they can find help through Christ-centered long-term programs that work to restore lives.

Your gifts do so much more than provide food, shelter and care. They provide HOPE and ENCOURAGEMENT!

Please continue to be a beacon of hope and the voice of encouragement through your prayers, your gifts and your time and talents.

Thank you, and God bless you!



## "You feel God everywhere in this place!"

Candace will be the first one to admit that the choices she made in her life were not always the best ones.

But she will also be the first to tell you how she came to know God and how her life changed completely at Faith Mission.

Abused as a child, Candace grew up with no direction in her life. "My father was an alcoholic," she says. "The whole family just covered it up." When she married it was to an abusive drug addict who introduced her to meth, an addiction she battled for ten years before becoming homeless and losing her son to foster care.

#### "The Mission helped me find a new way of life!"

**Running for Shelter** 

healthy!

For the second year in a row, our friend Travis

**Russell** conducted his 4 x 4 x 48 Runathon in

early March to raise money for Faith Mission's

Tiny Shelters for homeless veterans – and to raise

awareness of the importance of fitness and being

Travis raised \$8,615.12 by running 4 miles every 4

other participants were able to join Travis by

Health & Fitness in Granger.

homeless veterans here in

others who participated in

Michiana – as well as the

this fun event!

We want to thank Travis for his hard

work and dedication to helping

hours for 48 hours straight. And during the event,

participating in a one-mile fitness walk at Beacon

At Faith Mission, Candace found more than meals and shelter. She found people who helped and guided her every step of the way – from going with her to every court appointment that helped her regain custody of her son, to providing gentle spiritual guidance that helped her come to know the Lord.

It started with morning devotions. Before long, Candace was part of Genesis, our Christian-based relapse prevention program. "No one ever said, 'Hey, let's talk about God.' The counselors and staff live it. They are

open and comfortable with their Christianity...
a whole different world than the one I came
from."

Candace's life today could not be more different from the day she walked into Faith Mission!

Candace has been clean and sober for two years.

She has worked hard and saved enough to buy a home for herself and her son. Today, her goals are "to raise my son and get an education".

To the staff and donors of Faith Mission, Candace says, "Thank you so much for the big things and the little things. Thank you so much for changing my life!"

Calling all volunteers!

Faith Mission will be serving many men,

raith Mission Will be serving many men, women and children from across Michiana this summer, and we would love to have your help! Individuals and groups are all welcome!

For more information, please contact Vera Swihart at (574) 293-3406, ext. 103 or at Vera@theFaithMission.org.

We hope to see you soon!



\$18,000

Matching Challenge Gift

DOUBLES your Support!

Thanks to a generous Matching Challenge Gift of \$18,000, your support today will have twice the impact!

That means you'll be able to double your impact on providing food, shelter and lasting hope for homeless and hurting people in Michiana.

\$20 doubles to \$40 to help with meals and shelter.

\$50 becomes \$100 to help twice as many people.

\$100 doubles to provide \$200 worth of life-changing services.

Mail your gift today or donate online at the Faith Mission.org.

**THANK YOU!** 



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