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to those in Need


HOPE OF THE VALLEY
RESCUE MISSION

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*Josie and her son
had no money, no
family, nowhere
safe to stay and it
was getting dark...*

**Read more about Josie's
amazing restoration...**

Thank you for saving the lives
of people like Josie!
~KC

MESSAGE FROM KEN CRAFT

Josie's amazing restoration... continued

"I thank God for leading me to the Mission."

"The Mission saved my life!"

"If it weren't for the Mission, I'd be dead."

We thank God every day for bringing men and women to our door to begin new lives: Lives without addiction. Lives free of poverty and abuse. Lives now filled with grace.

More often than not, these transformations start with a simple meal, just like the 16,660 being served in the month leading up to Thanksgiving.

We also praise God for you.

The meals, the shelter and the life-saving programs we provide are only possible with your support.

We're grateful to you for fulfilling God's command to feed, shelter and care for brothers and sisters in need. And, we share with you His promise: "Truly I tell you, whatever you did for one of the least of these, you did for me."



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President/CEO

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Josie and her 16-year-old son came here from El Paso because work was scarce. **"I had a part-time job there, but I couldn't meet the rent,"** she says. "I had a friend who invited us to come out here and stay, but her place was overcrowded so we had to move."

Josie obtained vouchers for a hotel where she and her son stayed while she looked for work. "I only found a few temporary jobs, and couldn't get my son into school because we didn't have a permanent address. Then the vouchers expired.

"We were going to sleep in the park. We had no choice."

We had nowhere to go and I had no money," she says.

Then she remembered Hope of the Valley Rescue Mission, where she'd obtained bus vouchers in the past. It was then she and her son moved into Genesis House.

"It was divine intervention that we came here," she says. "I'm grateful for having a roof over our heads, and I've learned from the women here how to be strong, to be assertive and to trust. A Christian program is what I needed."

Today, Josie has found a job and an apartment in the district where her son has been attending school. "We're really happy," she says. **"If this place weren't here, we would be sleeping in the park."**



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