

HARBOR of HOPE

A newsletter of Union Gospel Mission of Grays Harbor EASTER 2024

Daniel is celebrating Easter with JOY – because of you!

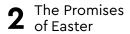


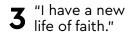
Thank you for showing him that new life is possible.

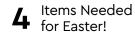














A Message from CHARLEY CAPOEMAN

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 Union Gospel Mission of Grays Harbor. 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 hurting men, women and children 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!

Charley Capoeman **Executive Director**



GIVE MONTHLY. **SAVE LIVES ALL YEAR!**

You can make a lasting difference in our community when you become a monthly partner!

These days, it costs more than ever to provide the life-changing care our hurting neighbors at Union Gospel Mission of Grays Harbor need... By becoming a monthly giving club partner, you can help save lives with your monthly gift to provide:



SUPPORT IN OUR NEW FOUNDATION PROGRAM



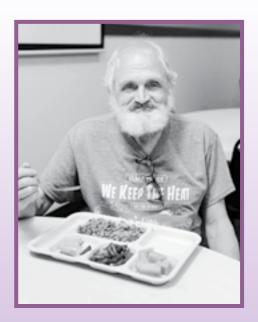
PRAYER MINISTRY AND BIBLICAL **SUPPORT**



Start giving monthly now to help provide the building blocks our residents need for a better life!







SHARE JOY THIS EASTER

Help meet the needs of our hurting neighbors!

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





1,740 nights of shelter

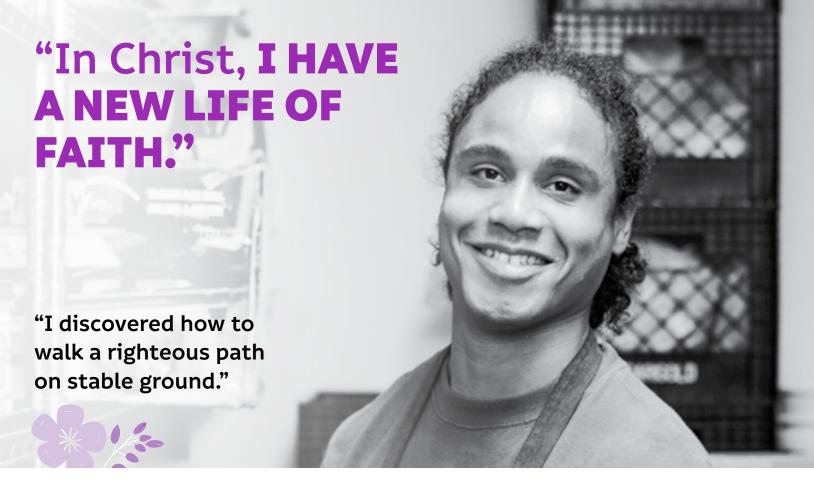


Christ-centered care & healing in our lifechange programs!



☑ Give now using the enclosed reply card and envelope.

Sive online anytime at ugmgraysharbor.org.



Daniel was only 3 when he and his sister were abandoned by their parents – left alone in their house before a neighbor found them a week later.

Although Daniel was adopted by a Christian family who provided more stability, problems lurked behind closed doors. "The turmoil and abuse changed my outlook on life," he shares.

During a few rare, happy moments, teenaged Daniel and his adoptive father bonded by playing games and drinking beer together. When Daniel reached his early 20s, his dad suddenly passed away. "After he died, I remember searching



for those good feelings again. I started drinking with my friends, and my addiction spun out of control."

To escape his pain and try to fit in, he even turned to drugs. Untethered and directionless, he couch-hopped, slept on the streets and even spent time in jail. "I was exhausted – I couldn't figure out my place in the world. My spiritual spark was dwindling," he recalls. Thankfully, he found the Mission.

Upon his arrival, Daniel experienced warmth and acceptance. He began to sense a flicker of hope. "I never expected to be welcomed with such kindness!"

Through hard work in our New Foundation Program, Daniel became sober. He learned the value of prayer and how to allow the Christian community he found here help guide him through any challenge.

Around the Mission, Daniel



pitches in whenever he can. "To smile at others, to share in my strengths – it's awesome!"

Daniel aspires to work with youth in addiction prevention. "I'd like to help them stop the problem before it even starts," he explains. "Serving in that way would be such a blessing!"

Thank you for sharing God's love with Daniel this Easter. His life has been renewed through the joy and hope of the Gospel! "I'm grateful for this support system – people I can turn to, look up to and who'll help me stay pointed in the right direction."

HELP MEET OUR EASTER NEEDS



Sunday, March 31: Our Easter Celebration

Now through Easter, your help is needed to provide **hundreds of meals** for our hungry neighbors! Help welcome these
special guests with love and a good meal by sharing a
donation of these needed food items.

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Drop off any of these items by Friday, March 29:

☐ SPIRAL SLICED HAMS

☐ POWDERED MILK

☐ INSTANT MASHED

☐ DESSERTS (homemade or

POTATOES

store-bought)

☐ BUTTER

□ COFFEE

ANNED VEGETABLES

☐ CREAMER

Drop off donations at the Mission at 405 E Heron St, Aberdeen.

No time to shop? Donate now!

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God's Promise of Joy

"If you keep my commandments, you will abide in my love... These things I have spoken to you, that my joy may be in you, and that your joy may be full." - John 15:10-11

Our Commitment to **YOU**

At Easter, and all year, you can count on Union Gospel Mission of Grays Harbor to follow Christ's example of serving our neighbors in need... especially those who don't know where their next meal will come from, where they'll sleep at night or how they'll overcome impossible situations.

The generosity of dedicated friends like YOU makes it possible to continue our ministries in Grays Harbor!

So we want to share our commitment to you, to the guests we serve and to our community:

- We will honor and thank God for His abundant blessings and share His provisions with our guests. Regardless of their struggles, each is made in God's image and worthy of dignity, compassion and love.
- 2. We will **boldly share the hope of the Gospel and extend Christ's love** to
 each person we serve.
- 3. We will **invite our supporters**, **volunteers and friends to help** meet the needs of our community throughout the year, asking only for what we know our neighbors truly need.

