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Good News

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A Message From Eric Burger

Putting God's Blessings to Work

Dear Donor Name,

There's an old saying that "actions speak louder than words."

James says as much in his letter to the twelve tribes: "If a brother or sister is without clothing and in need of daily food, and one of you says to them, 'Go in peace, be warmed and be filled,' and yet you do not give them what is necessary for their body, what use is that? Even so faith, if it has no works is dead, being alone." (James 2:15-17)

As Christians, we have the opportunity to influence others through our words and our deeds as well as our gifts. That is why the Mission welcomes volunteers as well as donors; why we need donations of clothing along with gifts to provide meals.

So please consider giving of your time and your talents as well as your treasure; especially during the summer when both donations and volunteers are often in short supply.

Road to a New Life Starts Here

Eric Burger
Executive Director

"I Didn't Care If I Lived or Died..."

Michael didn't grow up in a Christian home. But now he reads his Bible every day. Michael never went to church as a child. But today, he's learning how to pray!

Michael has been an alcoholic for most of his adult life. But thanks to your support of this ministry, today he's focused on being clean and sober.

"I'd been in two or three rehab programs ... I tried to stop drinking and doing drugs, really struggled to quit. But at some point I stopped caring about being sober. I just didn't care anymore if I lived or if I died. And if I had to live being an alcoholic and drug addict, I really didn't want to live."

Michael didn't know much about Hiway 80 Rescue Mission and our Bible-based New Creation discipleship and recovery programs. He had been in AA meetings before, but those only worked for him "as long as I went every day."

Through intensive classes, counseling and Bible study, Michael has begun to understand the causes of his trouble and gain the skills and the spiritual strength he needs to start a new life!

"The Mission has taught me the principles I feel will help me to live sober for the rest of my life. It's all about allowing God to work through you and changing the way you think."

*"The help I need to
live sober for
the rest of my life."*

"Being out of this Mission and having a job is what everybody wants. But being able to continue that for the rest of your life is the real key to success, and that's what they teach you here."



Needs List

Razors
Towels
Silverware
Canned Goods
Coffee

Donations can be dropped off at the Mission's receiving area at 3117 W. Marshall. For directions or more information, call Ken at (903) 759-9875 or visit our website at www.Hiway80Mission.org.

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A higher purpose.

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Our New Website

We recently launched a new website and want to share it with you.



Visit the site at www.Hiway80Mission.org today to get the latest news of what's happening here at the Mission:

- Read stories of transformed lives
- Volunteer to serve a meal or lend a hand
- Donate securely online
- Learn about our many ministries for hurting and homeless men, women and children
- Read about upcoming events
- Learn about urgent Mission needs
- Tell us what you think

Too Much Mail!

I often hear, "Why do you send me so much mail?" While there's no right or wrong answer, this is my typical response:

More than 90% of our financial support comes from individuals like you. And because I don't know when you are able to help, the Mission offers an opportunity to give each month. This is also the most cost effective way we can communicate with you so more of your gift can go toward the services we provide.

I am grateful for the sacrifices



you make financially to help those we serve and I want to be a good steward

of the resources you entrusted in me and want to be sensitive to you. Let me know how much mail you'd like to receive by contacting the Mission at (903) 759-9875.

Thank you. Your generosity is changing lives by giving homeless and hurting people the help they need.

Support the Mission When You Shop at Kroger

You can help the Longview area's hungry and homeless when you grocery shop! Kroger will donate 1% of your total purchase to Hiway 80 Rescue Mission.

To participate, simply request a reloadable gift card from the Mission. Contact us at (903) 759-9875. Your card will be mailed to you and can be reloaded at any Kroger Customer Service Desk.



Christmas in July?

Everyone loves Christmas! The celebration of our Lord's birth is a time of hope and joy when we also reach out to those who are less fortunate – sharing His blessings with neighbors who are alone, troubled or in need.

Christmas is also a time when those who support this ministry are most generous. In fact, over the holidays, we receive about 50% of our gifts for the entire year! We are

the best stewards we can be, but sometimes, by summer, we start to feel the pinch.



So even though the holidays are still many months away, I'd like to encourage you to share the joy and hope of the season – help us celebrate "Christmas in July" by providing the food, shelter and care many in this community so desperately need.

You can mail your Christmas in July gift in the enclosed envelope, or give online at www.Hiway80Mission.org.