

Breaking chains of addiction through our Lord Jesus Christ



IT'S NOT ABOUT YOU

'But he who is greatest among you shall be your servant. And whoever exalts himself will be humbled, and he who humbles himself will be exalted.' Matthew 23:11-12. We live in a world that tells us it is all about us. That in order to live our best lives we have to have the best of everything, that we need to put ourselves first. And we do this. We think about what we like, what we want, what's most important to us. Our world view oftentimes shrinks down to a tiny little space with room for just us. The message of Jesus, however, is the exact opposite and in fact tells us it is definitely NOT about us, it's all about HIM. His very words tell us that by humbling ourselves, by serving others, THESE are the characteristics that please Him. I challenge you to examine your heart. Who is first in your life? Let it be Jesus and put yourself to the side and just watch what He does in your life, in your heart and in your witness to others.

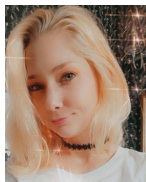
GOING DIGITAL

We are excited to let everyone know that the Mission Messenger is going digital! In an effort to be better stewards of the resources we have been so deeply blessed with, we will be moving towards an email newsletter that will look very much like the current Mission Messenger only it will be electronic. We have also begun archiving the Messenger on our website. At a very small fraction of the current cost (less than 2%) we can reach everyone and thousands more. We understand that some will still like to have

a hard copy and we will gladly continue to print and mail to meet those wishes. With our new website we also provide secure giving options that can be done quickly and easily. In the coming months you may receive a call from one of our staff asking if you would like to receive an email newsletter and if so requesting your email address. You may also contact the office to sign up for the new e-newsletter. Please feel free to call our office any time with questions you may have. We are happy to help! We love you and as always, we are so very thankful for your faithful support of Mission of Hope Ministries!

MISSION STORIES

The Testimony of Schyler Morrow



My name is Schyler. My whole life has been spent restlessly trying to fill my soul with things that only left me feeling empty and always needing more. Since the age of 13, I would pick up prescription drugs to distract me from my feelings. Any trial I experienced in my life, I quickly ran from, avoiding confronting whatever or whoever it was... or so I thought. The devil is a liar who came to steal, kill and destroy my identity and my hope. I welcomed into my life anything that was destructive and resented anything that was healthy. But God never left my side. He loved me even when I did not love myself. I gave birth to my daughter in 2016 and believed she was the one thing that I always wanted that would fulfill me, that would save me. I was very wrong! Only God could fill the massive hole I felt in my heart. I turned back to drugs after I ran from any responsibility that somehow made me feel helpless.

Then it came to the moment where God opened my eyes and woke me up and gave me just enough strength to turn myself in to all the trouble I needed to finally face. I came to the Haven of Hope on March 3 and God began to do a mighty work in me. Today, I am 8 months sober. And beyond the drugs, God has replaced the truth in my heart and mind with any lie the devil has told me. God gives me hope everyday and I have found my true identity in Him. He says YOU ARE worth it! He says YOU ARE special! He says with Him, you can crawl out of the darkness and into His marvelous light. I want to thank Him for restoring my family, my heart and my mind! GREAT IS HIS FAITHFULNESS!!!

But you are a chosen generation, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, His own special people, that you may proclaim the praises of Him who called you out of darkness into His marvelous light;
1 Peter 2:9



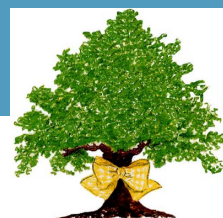
NEW & UPCOMING

OUR NEW WEBSITE

As mentioned on page 1, we have a new website! We hope you'll visit us at <https://www.missionofhopeministries.net> to see all the updates! Make sure you visit our MissionWorks tab to catch up on all our initiatives at Mission of Hope! Mission Stories is another great place to find testimonies of God's amazing grace and how He is transforming lives!

THE GINGHAM TREE

November 14th from 8am - 4pm we'll be at the George County Fairgrounds for the 48th Annual Gingham Tree Arts & Crafts Festival! With over 400 vendors this is a great place to get some Christmas shopping done while supporting Mission of Hope Ministries. Our ladies and men are working hard to create some beautiful pieces of furniture and art we really think you'll love! For full details visit www.missionofhopeministries.net and click on our Events Tab. We hope to see you there!!



A PSALM OF THANKSGIVING

'Make a joyful shout to the Lord, all you lands! Serve the Lord with gladness; Come before His presence with singing. Know that the Lord, He is God; It is He who has made us, and not we ourselves; We are His people and the sheep of His pasture. Enter into His gates with thanksgiving, And into His courts with praise. Be thankful to Him, and bless His name. For the Lord is good; His mercy is everlasting, And His truth endures to all generations.'

- Psalms 100:1-5

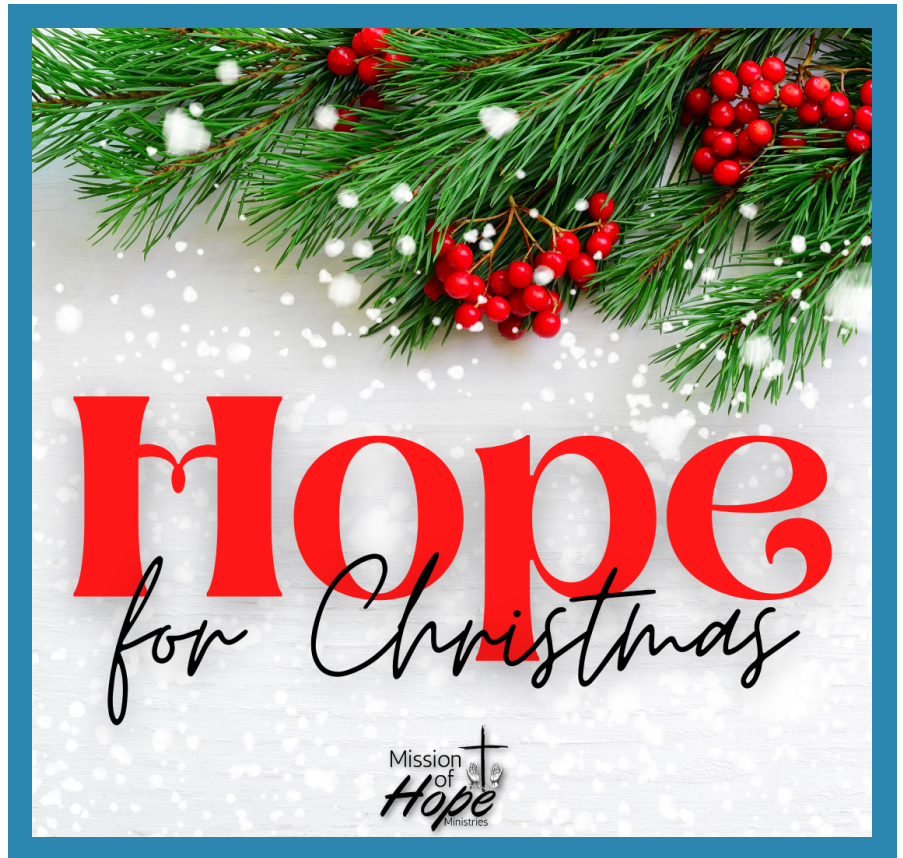
Happy Thanksgiving!

from Mission of Hope Ministries

HOPE FOR CHRISTMAS

Help us bring HOPE for Christmas this year. As you know, oftentimes when men and women come to Mission of Hope, they come with broken families, broken lives, and they have lost everything. The mere thought of providing Christmas for their children or receiving gifts seems impossible. BUT GOD, through you, shows them they are LOVED. What an incredible blessing you have faithfully been for so many years! When you send a \$50 contribution (online, cash, check or gift card- **please clearly designate that it is for Hope for Christmas**) to sponsor one of our Mission of Hope Children you help not only bring joy to the children, but joy to the moms and dads who believed it not possible. With help of our staff and volunteers, gifts are purchased and

organized for the clients to choose from and wrap for their children. ALSO, If you are a church or organization and are interested in participating in our angel tree program for our men and women at Mission of Hope, please contact Jamie Kirkwood at 251-649-0830 for full details (including a list of needs) on this and all Hope for Christmas Programs. We love you and are so very grateful for all you do! God bless!



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