

“I have
my
mom
back”



Tammy Nova, mother of nine children, has experienced Mother’s Day from many perspectives. With many years of homelessness and drug addiction, and no stability for her kids, it was when they were taken by CPS, that she began to understand that her life needed to dramatically change.

With her kids in foster care, Tammy came to The Mission with a determination to get her kids back. But she got a lot more. For the first time in her life, she was introduced to the life-changing power of a relationship with Jesus Christ. As she began the programs and one-on-one counseling sessions, her life was changing course. It didn’t take long before she was reunited with her children, several came to live with her in the New Hope Family Shelter. She began working in

Recuperative Care at The Mission, saving money and preparing to begin a new life without drugs and alcohol.

Tammy’s daughter Yoli shared, “The stability of living with my mom at The Mission gave me a peaceful atmosphere and time to think about my future. I have been able to get a job as a cashier at Family Dollar, save money, work towards my high school diploma, with the dream of becoming a paramedic. But most importantly, I have my mom back.”

After saving, and learning life skills, Tammy has been able to get her own apartment. She has now reunited with all of her children, continues to work at The Mission, and is grateful for the chance to become a better mom, with a peaceful, changed heart.



May You Have the Joy of the Lord

It is said that April showers bring May flowers, and it is true. It is true in the literal sense; rain waters the seeds and brings the flowers to life. However, it is also true in the metaphorical sense; watering the seeds brings us to life. We see the work that the Lord is doing daily here at The Mission. We see the homeless come here - in need of watering and we see the Lord water those "seeds" and bring them back to life.

Will you help us save lives here at The Mission? There are many ways you can help us further God's Kingdom. First, you can pray with us. Could you pray right now, as you are reading this letter? For God's love to rain down here at The Mission and for Him to be glorified, honored, and praised in all that we do. Please pray that God's will be done and that He will continue to provide. Second, you can make a monthly contribution by mailing us a check or giving online. Third, you can make a

one-time, unrestricted gift in the form of a check or online by recurring credit card donation, which will help us cover what we need to run and operate The Mission.

I know God is on the move and is always working for our good. And I know He is working in the lives of Mission friends like you. Thank you for your generous support of The Mission, we truly could not do it without you.

May God bless you and yours abundantly and may He shower you with His love this spring.

God Bless,

David Midura

David Midura, CEO
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Growing in Christ

Students and Staff attended the Men's Conference at First Baptist Church.

IN THE COMMUNITY



Rotary Club Cleanup Pictured above is the Gospel Center Rescue Mission crew. What a great job all of them did in making Stockton a cleaner better place. A big shout out to Dave Midura, CEO for making this happen.



Dignity / St. Joseph's 125th Anniversary

Staff attended the 125th Anniversary of St. Joseph's Hospital. St. Joseph's Hospital / Dignity Health has supported the work of The Mission for many years. We are thankful for being a strong community partner.



Telling The Mission story

Our staff was on hand at QLBC to share our story with the congregation. If you would like to have The Mission Team come to your church on a Sunday morning to set up a booth and/or speak and share how God is working in our community, please reach out!

THANK YOU!



Thank you Supervisor Canepa

A big check was presented in front of the children's slide at The Mission Kid's Playground to recognize San Joaquin County Supervisor Paul Canepa's generous \$5,000 donation! Supervisor Villapudua, not pictured, also made a \$5,000 donation. For information on ACE, visit our website.



Lending a Hand

A big thank you to Leadership Stockton for generously volunteering their time to assist with cleaning and meal preparation at The Mission. Your contribution is greatly appreciated!



New Kicks!

The Mission received shoes from Saucony Shoe as a wonderful donation for staff and students. Thank you Saucony.





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He is Risen! "Then Jesus came to them and said, 'All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age.'" (Matthew 28:18-20).

EASTER CELEBRATION



Easter Sunrise Service

He is Risen! He is Risen indeed! Friends, family, students and staff celebrated the Risen Savior at the Easter Sunrise Service at The Mission.



Ready for the Easter Egg Hunt!

Mission Kids Easter Fun

The Mission Kids had lots of fun activities leading up to the Easter Sunrise Service.



The Mission Kids received fun filled Easter Baskets from Rebecca's Baskets. Thank you!!!



The Easter Bunny hopped on over to visit with The Mission Kids.