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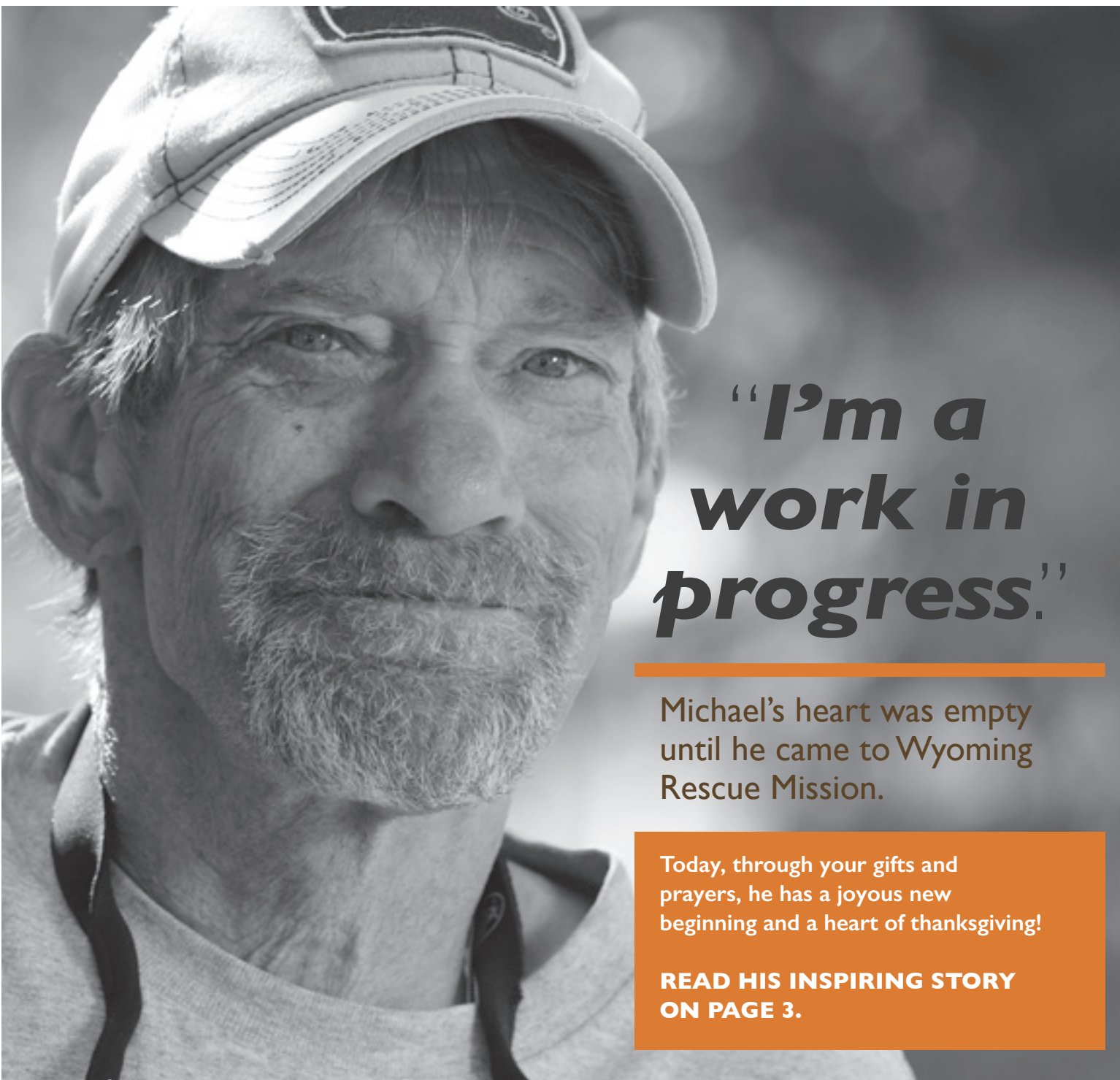
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Brad Hopkins

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of Thanksgiving



***“I’m a
work in
progress.”***

Michael’s heart was empty until he came to Wyoming Rescue Mission.

Today, through your gifts and prayers, he has a joyous new beginning and a heart of thanksgiving!

**READ HIS INSPIRING STORY
ON PAGE 3.**

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Rescued Treasures
Thrift Store

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CONNECTING WITH YOU . . .



Executive Director Brad Hopkins, along with WRM staff and volunteers, helps fill empty hearts with hope during the holiday season and throughout the year.

Thank You for Fishin' for the MISSION



WRM's fourth
annual **Fishin'
for the Mission
Fly Fishing
Tournament** on



June 8 raised more than \$35,435 to help men, women and children who are homeless and struggling throughout Wyoming. WRM is grateful to everyone who participated or played a role in this important event including **Wyoming Fly Fishing** and these generous sponsors:



Did You Know?

According to Casper's annual Point in Time Homeless Count completed in January, as many as 250 students have been identified as homeless in the Natrona County School District since classes began in August 2016. An estimated 47 of those are classified as unaccompanied youth who are totally on their own, sometimes living with other families and often juggling their schoolwork and activities as well as a job.

Please pray for these vulnerable children and that God will guide our ministry in finding new and effective ways to direct these youngest members of our community toward bright futures.

*Your heart of Thanksgiving...
brings a harvest of joy!*

Dear Friend,

The human need for food is fundamental and has remained the center of our ministry outreach for nearly 40 years. **But the people who turn to Wyoming Rescue Mission hunger for more than a meal.** Their emptiness extends to all areas of their lives.

Their spirits are tired of searching for something to believe in. They lack the training to change their dead-end paths. Friends and loved ones have long since turned their backs. They come to us hungry, homeless, broken and alone – and through your kind compassion, we fill their plates with hope... and their hearts with thanksgiving.

From faith-based counseling to job-readiness training, **your gifts and prayers empower men, women and families** to overcome troubled circumstances and rebuild lives that are stable, meaningful and a blessing to their communities.

As we look forward to serving our less-fortunate neighbors this holiday season, **I pray you will continue to demonstrate your heart of thanksgiving.** Your ongoing partnership will bring a harvest of joy to men, women and children who are longing for hope. Thank you and God bless you for your gift today and throughout the months ahead.

Thank you,

Brad Hopkins
Executive Director



“OK, Lord, where are we going?”

After years of working carnival, construction and factory jobs – a lifestyle that included drug and alcohol abuse – Michael’s life began to fall apart.

His health deteriorated. He lost his job and his home. He burned bridges with his children and loved ones. Through it all, he always loved the Lord. Now, broken and alone, he asked for His guidance. In answer to Michael’s prayer, God led him to Wyoming Rescue Mission.

“YOU FEEL THE **LOVE**
WHEN YOU COME IN HERE . . .
YOU REALLY DO.”

He had been to other ministries in the past. “But this place has a different vibe to it,” he explains, describing the acceptance and compassion he received when he first walked through our doors. We referred him to medical resources that enabled him to regain his health. And through our Discipleship Recovery Program, we’re helping him strengthen his walk with the Lord.

“They’ve given me outstanding tools to do what I want to do – to work for the Lord and serve Him,” he says.

Today, he is rebuilding his relationship with his children and plans to work in a ministry like this one that helps the homeless.

With a heart of Thanksgiving, he shares these words with friends like you who have empowered him to change his life: *“This place is a gift from God. To come here, to meet Him, to know Him and to be able to make a difference in people’s lives... it gives me a real peace inside.”*



YOUR GIFT TODAY AND CONTINUED GENEROSITY ARE SO DEEPLY APPRECIATED.

IT’S TIME FOR THANKSGIVING DINNER . . .

Add our shopping list to yours!

We need your help to serve as many as **11,000 meals** this Thanksgiving season (from September to November) and distribute **300 turkeys and food baskets**. In all, we’ll serve nearly **800 meals** the week of Thanksgiving alone. We’re asking anyone who can to purchase groceries from the list at the right. Please drop off your donations at 230 N. Park anytime. If you’re unable to shop for us, your financial donations are deeply appreciated too!

- * Turkeys & Hams
- * Boxes of Stuffing
- * Bags of potatoes & sweet potatoes
- * Pie filling and frozen fruit
- * Dinner rolls
- * Breakfast pastries
- * Large cans of coffee

