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Jeremy is celebrating *HOPE!*

Your support brings hope
to the hurting this Easter.



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restoring hope, transforming lives

Easter 2021

ANNUAL CAMPAIGN

ANNUAL EASTER CAMPAIGN

Celebrate hope by caring for our most vulnerable neighbors!



5,148 meals

\$2.15 for a meal!



4,633 nights of shelter



50 men & women in our recovery programs (on average)



Hundreds of hours of education & case management

Thank you for your compassion & support!

"I came that you may have life and have it abundantly." - John 10:10, NASB



A Message from **BRAD HOPKINS**

THE MIRACLE OF EASTER

lives on in you

Can you imagine what it must have been like to gaze into that empty tomb that Easter morning? To rise from the depths of despair to heart-pounding, indescribable joy... realizing Jesus conquered the grave?

That's the power of the resurrection. And that same power is still transforming hearts and lives today.

Jesus came that we may have life abundantly, and we embrace that as our calling. **We exist to help our neighbors experience life to the fullest, as God intended.**

As we celebrate the miracle of Easter, we also celebrate the miracles God is working in Wyoming today. Every chain that's

broken... every heart that turns to Him... every life that's restored is a cause for rejoicing.

And it's all thanks to caring friends like you!

This Easter, I pray that you will see God move mightily in your own life, just as you have given generously so He can work miracles in the lives of your neighbors like Jeremy (whose incredible story is on page 3).

May our hearts be as one as we cry out together, "Hallelujah, He is risen!" this Easter.

Thank you,

Brad Hopkins
Executive Director



Celebrate **NEW LIFE** this Easter

It's hard to have hope when you're hungry and homeless. This Easter, we'll warmly welcome those in need with immediate help like:


- **A hot meal for \$2.15**
- An overnight stay in our shelter
- Clothing, hygiene items & Christ-centered care

YOU can give even more people the gift of meals and care this Easter. A nourishing meal, served with love, is often the first step to a new life in Christ!

✉ Give now using the enclosed reply card and envelope.

✦ Give online anytime at **wyomission.org**.

Thank you for your support of our guests. Have a blessed Easter!



**"I've been
an empty
vessel."**

At a very young age, Jeremy was hurt by an adult he looked up to and trusted. "And it really emptied my soul," he says. As he grew older, he tried filling the void with "every drug you can imagine." Instead it resulted in homelessness, incarceration and suicide attempts – years of self-destruction, suffering and sorrow. "I remember walking the streets thinking, 'I don't want to live this way,'" he says.

Yet through it all, he sensed God's presence. And when a friend told him about Wyoming Rescue Mission and our Bible-based Discipleship Recovery Program, he felt the Lord guiding him to our doors.

Now in our care, "I'm being renewed by God's Word," he says. "I'm soaking up everything because I've just been so empty."

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**I tried everything to
fill the hole,
but nothing but
the love of Christ
will do that.**”

As he strengthens his relationship with the Lord, he has forgiven the adult who betrayed him and is healing from the wounds of the past. And inspired by our faith-filled teachers, he is embracing tools to build a godly life.

"I feel like I'm getting a doctorate in their classes because they're so filled with the Holy Spirit," he says. By their example, too, he has also found God's purpose for his future. He plans on continuing his education to become a substance abuse counselor. "I'm going to have a ministry in Jesus' name," he shares. "I know in my heart that's the only reason I'm still alive."

Thanks to the blessing of your support, Jeremy is celebrating Easter as a new creation in Christ.

"I've been such an empty vessel in the past that all I want is for Christ to fill me up so I can help somebody else. I'm very hopeful... very happy!"

Go Fishin' for the MISSION

THURSDAY, JUNE 10, 2021

For the eighth consecutive year, Wyoming Rescue Mission will partner with **Wyoming Fly Fishing** for their annual fly-fishing tournament benefiting WRM's life-transforming programs and services.

The festivities begin the evening of June 9 with a "guide meet & greet" dinner. Coffee and a full breakfast will be provided at 6:30 the morning of June 10. Then tournament details will be shared, and the guide drawing and raffles will be held before contestants set off on their half-day fly fishing adventure. The event concludes with lunch, music, entertainment and an awards ceremony.

The participation fee is \$1,500, which includes rods, reels, boat rental and a professional guide, as well as the activities described above. You or your organization can be recognized as an Event Sponsor for \$3,000 or a Presenting Sponsor for \$5,500 .

For more information, please contact Jenny Stedillie at **(307) 265-3002**, or visit **wyomission.org** for details. See you on the water!



OUR EASTER CELEBRATION NEEDS LIST

Sunday, April 4: Our Easter Celebration from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.!

Easter is almost here! Between now and Easter Sunday, we're preparing to serve **thousands of hot meals...** and provide men, women and children with **basic necessities like safe shelter, clean clothing and Christ-centered care.**

Our homeless neighbors are counting on us... and we're counting on YOU!

Drop off donations at the Mission, 230 N Park Street in Casper.

No time to shop? Donate now!

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HELP WITH EASTER MEALS

Drop off any of these urgently needed food items
by Friday, April 2:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> SPIRAL SLICED HAMS | <input type="checkbox"/> POWDERED MILK |
| <input type="checkbox"/> INSTANT MASHED POTATOES | <input type="checkbox"/> DESSERTS
(homemade or store-bought) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> BUTTER | <input type="checkbox"/> COFFEE |
| <input type="checkbox"/> CANNED VEGETABLES | <input type="checkbox"/> CREAMER |
| <input type="checkbox"/> APPLES | |