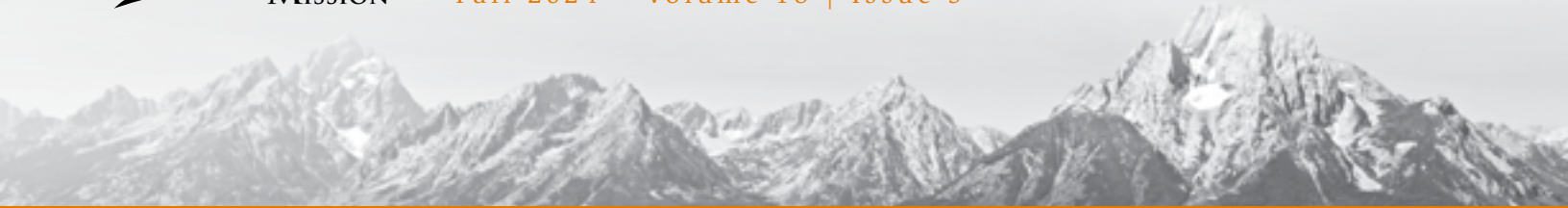




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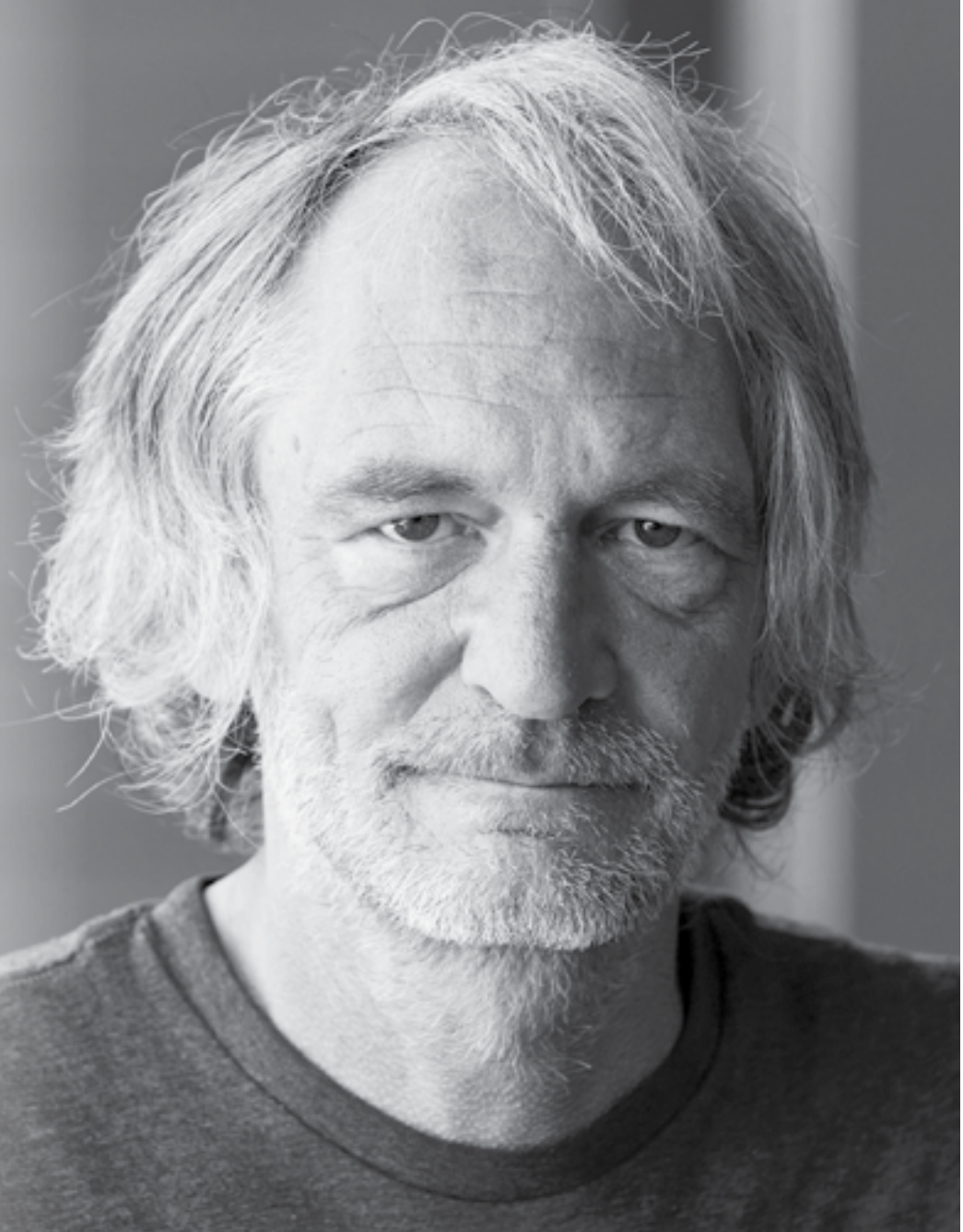
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restoring hope, transforming lives

# Giving thanks for YOU this fall



## A Message from BRAD HOPKINS

Sometimes I wonder, what would become of the struggling guests Wyoming Rescue Mission cares for if it wasn't for your compassion and generosity?

I think of people like Brennon, whose story you can read on Page 3 – his testimony is a powerful reminder of how God works through the gifts and prayers of friends like you to transform lives, now and for eternity!

**I thank God for how YOU are providing hope, help and healing to people who are hurting in our community.**

From the essentials of food, warm clothing and safe shelter... to long-term healing and stability through our

recovery program – with you beside us and Christ as our foundation – our ministry can provide all this and even more life-changing services this fall.

As we prepare to serve an estimated 20,707 meals to hungry people, I pray you'll continue to share your time, talent and gifts with our ministry, knowing God will use your blessings to restore hope in many lives.

I appreciate you giving me – and countless guests at Wyoming Rescue Mission – a reason to give thanks this fall!

Thank you,

Brad Hopkins, Executive Director

## SPONSOR *Spotlight*

### An Interview with Phillip (Flip) Cooper of Rocky Mountain Oilfield Warehouse



#### **Q: When/How did RMOW begin? Can you provide a basic history of your company?**

A: The company began as M & C Sales in 1954. It was founded by Andy Mason and my dad, Phillip Cooper, in 1954 in Casper, WY. The focus of the company was supplying the oilfield with drilling equipment, paint and supplies. We expanded into production supplies in 1964. Over the years, we have expanded into Rock Springs, WY; Ft. Morgan, CO; and Dickinson, ND. We supply regulators, valves and accessories that facilitate the production of crude oil and natural gas.

#### **Q: How would you sum up your partnership with Wyoming Rescue Mission?**

A: We decided to partner with a faith-based organization that cares for individuals with great compassion. Besides, God owns everything... we just manage it.



## Join Our **2024 THANKSGIVING CAMPAIGN**

# 20,707

### Meals Needed this Thanksgiving Season

This Thanksgiving, countless guests will gather at our tables. Many are alone... longing to overcome homelessness and poverty... wishing they could reunite with their families.

**For just \$2.58, YOU can provide a meal** to nourish their bodies and lift their spirits. Your gift welcomes someone who is hurting to our table and surrounds them with life-changing care:



**Safe,  
welcoming  
shelter**



**Warm clothing,  
coats & shoes**



**Classes &  
job training**

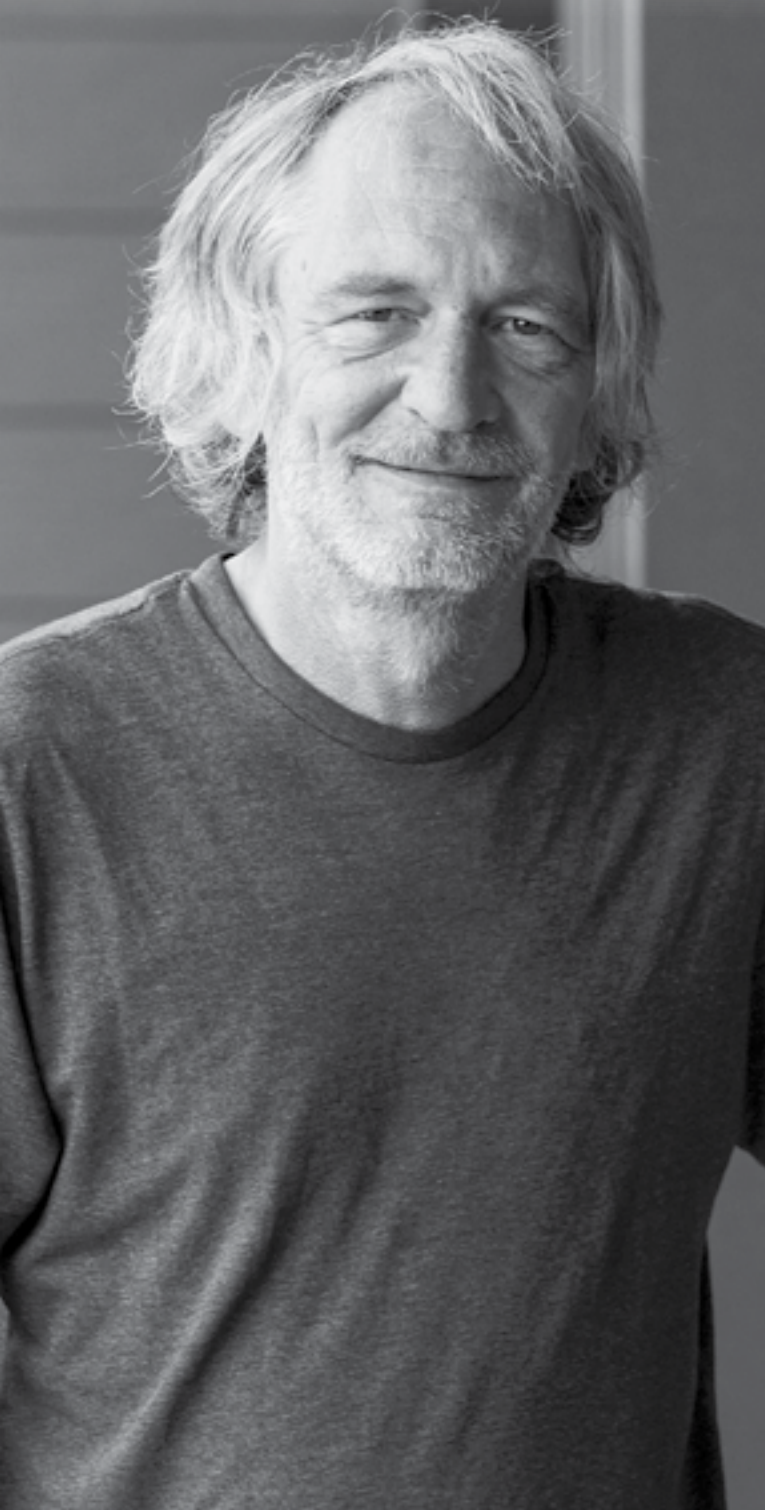


**God's  
unconditional  
love**

**Please help people in need this holiday season!** Send your 2024 Thanksgiving Campaign gift today using the enclosed reply card and envelope OR online at **[wyomission.org](http://wyomission.org)**.

*Meet Brennon – who is thankful for your support!* 

# A new Bible... A NEW LIFE.



**B**rennon and his family lived a nomadic life – traveling from state to state with their mobile home while his father pursued a better job and more stable future. The persistence paid off and when Brennon was 9, Casper became their permanent home.

But eager for acceptance and longing to make new friends, Brennon was vulnerable and fell in with the wrong crowd. Succumbing to peer pressure, he adopted destructive behaviors that, as he grew older, left him battling for sobriety... struggling to hold a job... pursuing unhealthy relationships... and often experiencing homelessness.

His challenges escalated until finally he was forced to make a choice: go to jail, or join our Discipleship Program and turn his life around.

Although Brennon had never considered himself spiritual, he did have an old Bible. “The binding was coming off, it was in three clumps and the pages were falling out,” he says. So he felt welcome and blessed when a fellow guest gave him a new one. Most importantly, it jump-started his relationship with God.

In addition to faith-based studies, he volunteers at our Rescued Treasures Thrift Store, works in the kitchen and takes part in classes that help guests become healthy, productive and independent members of society. He’s grateful for the study skills he is learning in our care and plans to go to school for a trade he can use to help his community.

“WRM has given me a chance to get off the streets and get help.”

**This fall, Brennon gives thanks for YOU and your incredible generosity. Your prayers and support have provided him a second chance. Today he compares his life to that old Bible. Once broken, tattered and torn, God has given him a new one.**





## Turn your car into care

Donating your used car, truck, van or other vehicle to Wyoming Rescue Mission allows you to free up space in your garage or driveway, benefit from a tax deduction and feel good knowing you're helping others. WRM uses the vehicle for our needs or sells it to fund our programs and services.

Donated vehicles may also be given to our guests and graduates as they find jobs and housing and rebuild new lives.

For all the details, contact Cheryl Hackett-Austin at [caustin@wyomission.org](mailto:caustin@wyomission.org) or (307) 233-6916.

## IRA Charitable Rollover.....

If you are 73 or older and have an IRA but are making charitable gifts from your checkbook, you are missing a very important tax break! A gift from your IRA is considered a Qualified Charitable Distribution (QCD) which counts toward your Required Minimum Distribution (RMD) for the tax period.

Under the new tax law, many people's itemized deductions do not exceed the new higher standard deduction. Giving from your IRA may be your only way to give and save on taxes at the same time. Take advantage of the IRA charitable rollover gifting strategy to support the work of charities that mean the most to you.

Here are a few of the benefits you will enjoy:

- Avoid taxes on transfers of up to \$100,000 from your IRA to charity.
- Satisfy required minimum distribution for the year.
- Reduce taxable income, even if you do not itemize deductions.

Make a gift that is not subject to the 50 percent deduction limits on charitable gifts. Help further the work of charitable organizations and causes you're passionate about.

Please contact Cheryl Austin, Director of Development, for more information. For specific questions, please contact your financial advisor.

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## CURRENT NEEDS

### Donate essential items this fall!

During the busy fall season, the number of guests we welcome at WRM steadily increases! And with more people to care for, our needs also increase.

Imagine trying to get by even a single day without these essential items! Sadly, the struggling people we serve often arrive

at our doors with little but the clothes on their backs.

This fall, you're invited to give thanks by giving back! Help us meet these and other immediate needs of our neighbors. Visit [wyomission.org](http://wyomission.org) to see our current needs list.

There are 3 key items that consistently appear on our list of needs:

- Toilet paper
- New, warm socks
- Body wash, shampoo & conditioner