

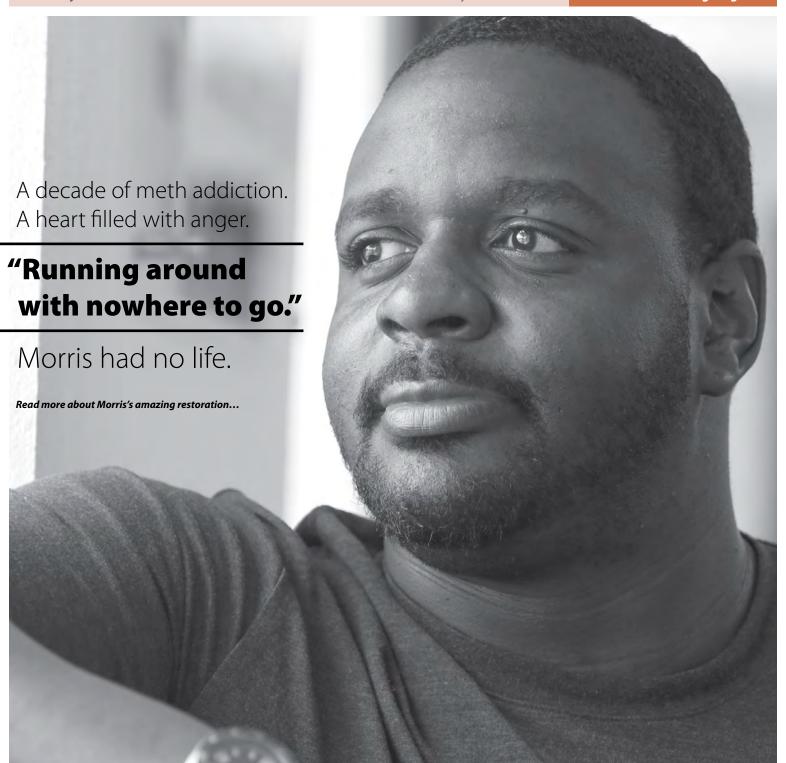
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MESSAGE FROM THE DIRECTOR

We praise God every day for bringing men and women to our door to begin new lives: Lives without addiction. Lives free of poverty and abuse. Lives now filled with grace.

More often than not, these transformations start with a simple meal, just like the 15,000 being served in the month leading up to Thanksgiving.

We also praise God for you.

Our ministries in Longview and Tyler – the meals, the shelter and the life-saving programs – are only possible with your support.

We praise you for fulfilling Christ's command to feed, shelter and care for brothers and sisters in need. And, we share with you His promise: "Truly I tell you, whatever you did for one of the least of these, you did for me."

Road to a New Life Starts Here



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Rev. Eric Burger
Executive Director

"They CHANGE lives here."

Morris was the "black sheep" of his family. "I had no direction. I was a wild kid. I was just what I shouldn't be."

He started smoking pot at 14 and using meth at 20. "I was running around with nowhere to go and nothing to look forward to. I was so angry," he says.

"I had no life."

After 10 years in bondage to drugs, Morris decided he'd had enough. "One day, I was just ready to change my life, to do things differently."

His fiancée encouraged him to come to our New Creation Program, and he agreed. "That was the best thing I've ever done," he says. "When I came here, I was at rock bottom spiritually. Now, I've grown closer to God. I'm spiritually filled."

His newfound faith has helped Morris heal in a number of ways. "I'm not angry, and I don't have the desire to do drugs anymore. I'm a better person all the way



around," he says. "You have to have God in your life for things to change."

Morris graduated from the program, has his own place and just got promoted to a supervisor position at his work. He is still connected to his church and is doing well in his life.

He gives all the credit for his transformation to God and the Mission. "They change lives here."