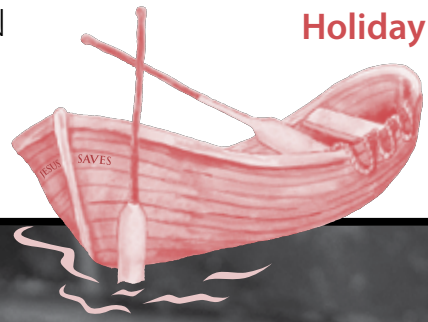


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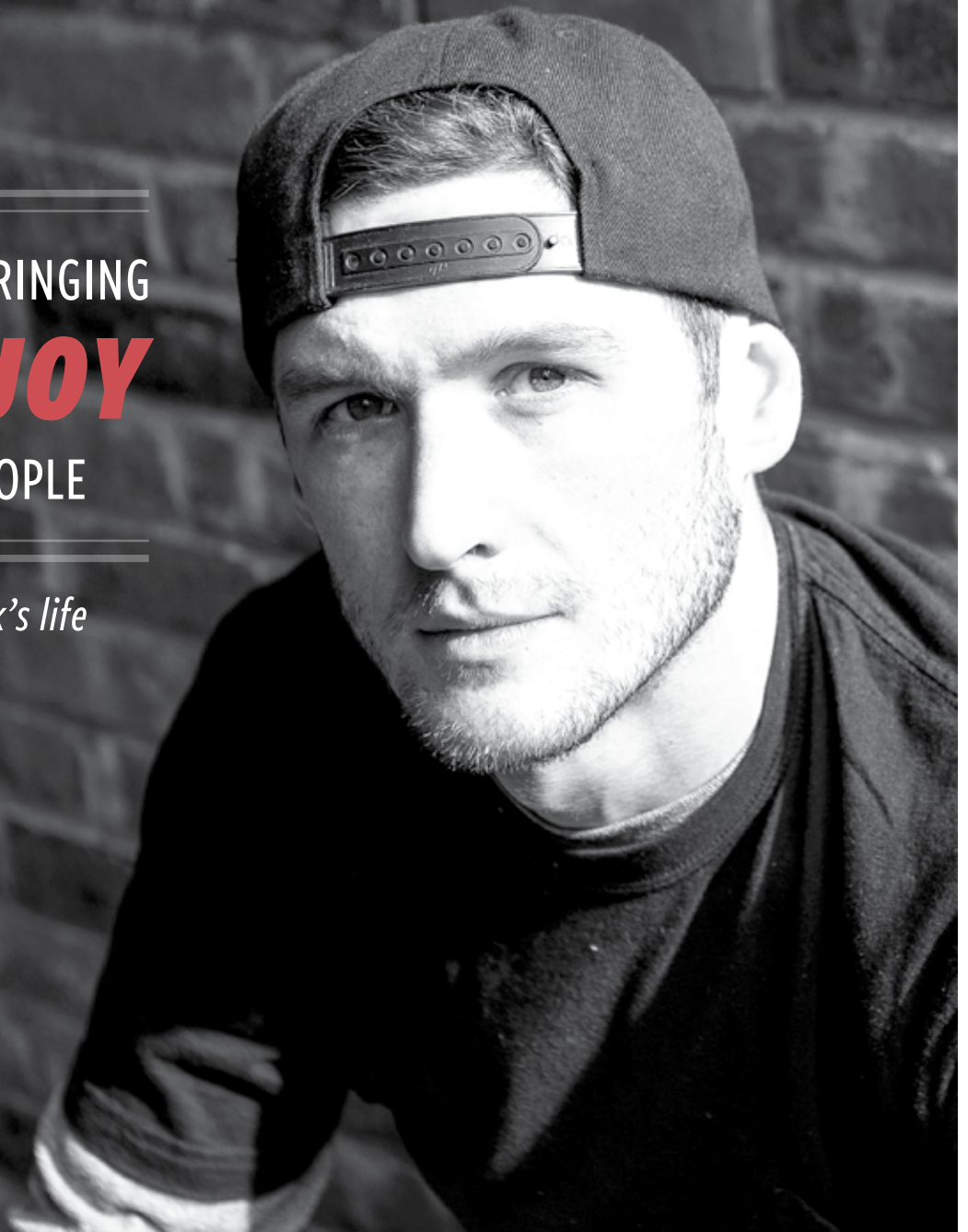
Holiday 2020

The **LIFELINE**



THANK YOU FOR BRINGING
GREAT JOY
TO HURTING PEOPLE

You changed Patrick's life



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"I was lost and broken, but now I'm free."

Patrick grew up in a loving family, but he always felt like something was missing from his life. When he was 17, he sought acceptance from his peers to fill the hole. "I started smoking marijuana because everybody I knew was smoking it and I wanted to fit in," he says.

But he felt emptier than ever and his drug use escalated. For more than a decade, Patrick struggled with addiction, which cost him jobs and alienated his beloved family. But it was his deep love for them that, finally, drove him to change.

"It was Mother's Day and my mom called in tears, saying that my family missed me. They were all at her house. Where was I? And, for the first time, she said that I was an addict and I needed to get help."

That was all it took. Patrick entered our Life Change Program, and through chapel services, Bible studies and prayer, he surrendered his life to the Lord. **"One day, after a time of worship and prayer, I felt this huge weight come off my shoulders,"** he says. "That's the day I was saved and the next month I was baptized."

Patrick's newfound faith and our Christian counselors have helped him find emotional healing, as well. **"Before coming to the Mission, I couldn't look in the mirror because I didn't like the person I saw there. But now, I smile back at myself."**

Since he graduated from our program, Patrick has been serving as an intern at the Mission, working as our Kitchen Manager. He's also looking forward to getting his own place one day, and spending more time with his family. "They're 100 percent behind me," he says.

This year, Patrick will be celebrating Christmas as a new creation, filled with the great joy of God's love. "Before I came to the Mission, I was lost and broken, but now I'm free."



I finally have a relationship with God.
That's what was always missing.

GREAT BARGAINS



The Jersey Shore Rescue Mission Thrift Store is a place of hidden treasures and great bargains.

Thousands of square feet of new and used furniture, clothing, housewares, appliances, sporting goods, office furniture and knick-knacks await the discerning shopper – all at bargain prices.

Drop off or shop.

For your shopping pleasure, we're open from 9:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m., Tuesday through Saturday. Donations can also be dropped off during these hours.

Donations are tax-deductible, and all proceeds benefit those served by the Mission. For more information, please call

☎ (732) 807-3506.

Celebrating rebirth this *Christmas*

As we celebrate the Christmas season and the miracle of Jesus' birth in a lowly manger, we must keep in mind the ending... That He gave His life on the cross so you and I could be reborn as children of God.

You know that the guests of the Jersey Shore Rescue Mission have had a tough time before they come through our doors. Poverty, addiction, homelessness, hunger, violence... you name it. **But what's so incredible is not their past stories, but how their lives are completely transformed thanks to you.**

You believe that change is possible. More than that, your generous support gives these people the very services and support they need to be restored and reborn. You give them the most incredible gift there is this Christmas: the chance to find peace, purpose and a new life filled with God's blessings.

As you celebrate this joyous season with loved ones, I hope you'll remember your neighbors who still need healing. After this difficult year, my prayer is that God will move in mighty ways in hearts and communities across the country. May you be filled with peace and love, and continue to share His love with others.



G. David Scott
Executive Director

It Starts With You... You make transformation possible.



This has been a hard year for everyone, especially for your neighbors in the Jersey Shore community who lost jobs or experienced unexpected difficulties during the pandemic. But they have hope thanks to YOU.



Your compassionate support provides:

- Safe shelter and clean clothing
- Life skills classes and practical guidance
- The message of God's life-changing love



Just \$2.82 provides a meal and care for one person... and could be the first step toward lasting transformation.

Please Send Your Gift Today.



\$2.82
for 1 hot meal



\$22.00
for 1 night of
safe shelter

**CAN GIVE
SOMEONE**



**A new life healed
by God's LOVE**

READ PATRICK'S STORY TO LEARN MORE.

Give Hope Before the Year Ends.



This has been a trying year for so many of your neighbors who experienced significant losses during the COVID-19 pandemic. **But your year-end gift will give them help... and hope.**

Your donation before December 31 may be tax deductible for 2020 – and it will certainly change lives in 2021.

Give online at **JerseyShoreRescue.org.**

Add your special year-end gift to the reply card and send it today.

Thanks to the recently passed CARES Act, your gift today could qualify for a greater tax deduction. Please check with your tax adviser for more information.

**Drink delicious coffee and
support the Mission at the same time?**

Sign me up!

The Market Street Mission, our sister Mission in Morristown, is now a charity partner of The Coffee Potter – a small family-owned, Christ-based coffee shop in Long Valley, NJ. Dave and GERALYN, owners of TCP, decided they wanted to use their business to reflect their heart for people and give back to the community they love – and the Mission is a part of that!

The Coffee Potter launched a new coffee subscription program, where you can order bags of coffee to be shipped to your house each month. And the best part? \$2.00 from every bag will go to the Mission if you choose us at checkout!

The Coffee Potter's website declares the heart of their mission in a quote from Bob Goff, which fits perfectly with how we endeavor to live at the Jersey Shore Rescue Mission: "Love is never stationary. In the end, love doesn't just keep thinking about it or keep planning for it. Simply put: love does."

Visit **tcplv.com/dogood** to learn more and subscribe. Plus, bags of coffee make great Christmas presents!



Donations can be dropped off at the Mission at 701 Memorial Drive in Asbury Park.

Dave, please use my Christmas gift to bless my struggling neighbors who have had such a challenging year:

- ☐ \$19.74 to feed & care for 7 people
 - ☐ \$50.76 to feed & care for 18 people
 - ☐ \$76.14 to feed & care for 27 people
 - ☐ \$90.24 to feed & care for 32 people
 - ☐ \$_____ to help as much as possible
- Plus, \$_____ to provide a special Year-End gift
- This really helps.*

NAME _____

ADDRESS _____

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☐ CHECK ENCLOSED ☐ BILL MY CREDIT CARD

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Make checks payable to The Jersey Shore Rescue Mission.

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