Ken! My Easter/Passover Gift to help men, women and children with
food shelter and clothing is enclosed. HERE IS MY GIFT OF:

YES

□ $25 for 20 meals
□ $50 for 40 meals
□ $100 for 80 meals
□ $200 for 160 meals
□ $_______ for as many meals as possible

To use your credit card or give online, please see other side.
Please make checks payable to Hope of the Valley Rescue Mission or HVRM. All gifts are tax-deductible as allowed by law.

If Not US Then Who?
If Not NOW Then When?

As a student of the scriptures, I continually find inspiration from stories of old. The story of Nehemiah inspires me like no other. Nehemiah was an ordinary guy who lived in the luxury of a king's palace far removed from the desperation and pain of his countrymen. He received a report that his people were in despair and he decided to get involved and do something about it.

He prayed and asked God for help. Then God informed him that HE was to be the answer to his own prayer. He dared to obey God, left his place of comfort, moved back to Jerusalem, rallied the people and rebuilt the walls of Jerusalem in 52 days, a task no one else was able to accomplish.

How was he able to accomplish the impossible? He had a good plan, financial backing and faith that God was able to use him to fulfill His purpose. He knew God didn't need much of a man, just all of a man!

I am no Nehemiah, but I also believe that God is able to build a world class Rescue Mission right here in the San Fernando Valley. A Mission that is sold out to meeting the needs of the masses. With our new facilities and new programs we are “rebuilding the walls of our Jerusalem”. We will continue to work like it is up to us, and pray like it is up to God….Thank you for your partnership!!!

Ken Craft
President/CEO
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Homeless Showers With a WOW Factor

Local Home Developer Donates Materials to Build Beautiful Bathrooms

The homeless were getting ready to eat at one of community meals. I announced that our new bathrooms, fully equipped with showers, and a tank less hot water heater, were now complete. They erupted in applause. Something as simple as a shower generated tremendous joy.

“You don't know how much these bathrooms mean to us” said Philip a homeless man trying to rebuild his life. “Every day I am looking for a job, but I can't go to a job interview smelling and looking dirty.”

Sam was one of the first people to take a shower in the new bathrooms. “I feel like a whole new person... and I have never seen more beautiful bathrooms. Thank you for treating us like real people” said Sam.

The bathrooms were built, nearly free of charge, in part, due to the donation of materials by national homebuilder Lennar Homes. Lennar Homes continues to demonstrate corporate awareness of community problems and a willingness to give back to those in need. Thank You Lennar Homes!
Feeding the Homeless at Easter

On Good Friday, April 6th and Easter Sunday April 8th, hundreds of homeless will join the Mission for an amazing holiday meal. Each person in attendance will enjoy a delicious ham dinner with all the fixings. The Friday Meal will be in Van Nuys and the Sunday Meal will be at Mission Headquarters in Sun Valley.

VOLUNTEER SPOTLIGHT

From the Rich and Famous, Retiree Lends Her Skills to Serve the Poor

For 25 years, Anita Zaputil was gracing the Mansions of BelAire and Beverly Hills catering the finest of meals to the rich and famous. Now retired, she thought she would fill some of her time by volunteering at the Mission. She visited the kitchen and jumped right in. Today, she is known as the “salad queen”

"Yes, I enjoyed my years catering to the wealthy," says Anita, "but there is something so fulfilling and rewarding about helping people who are really hungry and appreciate what we give them."

As a widow and mother of four adult children, Anita, for spiritual and philanthropic reasons, felt it was appropriate to devote a portion of her week to those in need. You can find Anita each and every Friday chopping lettuce and creating a gourmet salad which she personally likes to serve to the homeless. After the meal, you will find her scrubbing pots and pans, grateful for another day to serve the less fortunate.

3rd Annual Dinner Auction

Get Inspired, Bargains Galore, Enjoy Great Food and Help the Mission

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We need more auction items to donate and raffle off. If you have a product or service you can donate, call the Mission today! To attend the event, go to our website and sign up today.

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Hope of the Valley Rescue Mission NEEDS and WANTS Your Donations!!!

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- All electronics and tv
- Small Furniture (under $600)
- Shoes
- Jewelry
- All miscellaneous Household Items

Thrift Store Location: 8165 N. San Fernando Rd, Sun Valley, CA 91352 (one block west of the 5 Freeway, corner of Sunland Blvd and San Fernando Rd)

Call 818-392-0020 for your donation pick up TODAY!

(please fill out the information below)

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Charge my: □ Visa □ MasterCard □ American Express

Name on Card: ____________________________ Exp. Date: __________
Card #: ____________________________ CVV: __________
Phone#: ____________________________ Amount: $ __________
Signature: ____________________________

- Volunteer or donate ONLINE at www.hopeofthevalley.org or by PHONE: 818-392-0020
- Contact me, I’d like to know more about the mission
My email: ____________________________

Profiles of Hope

Changing His Life From the Inside Out

David was born in Sun Valley. As an adolescent, he got into trouble with the law and spent his teen years in corrective institutions. At 18 he was emancipated. Soon he got married, had three children and a good job driving trucks for the Teamsters Union.

Nearly 16 years later, his world began to unravel. He turned to drugs and alcohol to soothe his pain. Finding himself addicted to drugs, homeless and his life spinning out of control, he showed up to one of the Rescue Missions Outreach meals. He went to a Mission staff member and said, “I need help or I will probably die on the streets.”

The Mission accepted him into the John E. White House of Hope Men’s Program. Today, David is drug-free, sober minded, growing in his faith and preparing himself to live the remainder of his life clean and sober. “I am so thankful for this Mission. You are giving me the tools I need to succeed in life. You gave me hope when I was at rock bottom and ready to end my life,” says David. “Thank you for loving and caring about me when I did not love or care about myself.”

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