Thank you for bringing great joy to hurting people

You changed Stephanie’s life

Celebrating rebirth this Christmas

“We were homeless, but now we’re happy.”

Share your Blessings

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Stephanie grew up hiding a terrible secret. “I was being molested by family members, but I couldn’t tell my mom because she’s not a loving person. I couldn’t trust her to believe me,” she says. “I felt like it was me against the world.”

The abuse and her mother’s rejection left Stephanie feeling unworthy of love. When she was 14, she began numbing her pain with drugs and, when she grew up, she was drawn into an abusive relationship. It was all she felt she deserved.

Then, after years of abuse, she left for the sake of her children. While they were staying with her mother, she took another crucial step. “I got clean,” she says. “But my mom couldn’t deal with the change. She kicked us out.”

Stephanie and her children were suddenly homeless, but she didn’t turn to drugs to cope. Instead, she turned to LA Family Housing, who referred her to our Casa de Vida Family Crisis Shelter. “They’ve given us a place to stay, food and diapers,” she says. “I thank God daily.”

Meanwhile, staff have given Stephanie spiritual and emotional support that have shown her she is worthy of love. “I never had a support system before,” she says. “They motivate me to keep going and strive to better myself every day.”

Stephanie is now studying to become a Pharmacy Technician and, after graduation, plans to get a job and stay here until she can afford a home for her family. “By not charging us anything, they allow us to save so we can get back on our feet,” she says.

This year, Stephanie and her children will be celebrating Christmas with a renewed spirit and the great joy that comes from a new life. “It’s been such a blessing to be in this house. I feel like God allowed us to be here. We were homeless, but now we’re happy.”

“WE WERE HOMELESS, BUT NOW WE’RE HAPPY.”

“I’m doing better, so everything’s better for my kids.”
It Starts With You...
You make transformation possible!

This has been a hard year for everyone, especially for your neighbors in the San Fernando, Santa Clarita, and Antelope Valleys and surrounding areas 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 $2.05 provides a meal and care for one person... and could be the first step toward lasting transformation.

Please Send Your Gift Today!

$2.05 for 1 hot meal
$22.00 for 1 night of safe shelter

A new life healed by God’s LOVE

Read Stephanie’s story to learn more!

YOUR GIFT TODAY... GOES TWICE AS FAR!

Deadline to give: Dec 31

Great news! Any gift you make will be matched through the $50,000 challenge grant from a generous friend to become $100,000 to provide food, shelter and care! This is truly a double blessing.

Your year-end gift will provide twice the hope for your neighbors who are struggling to get back on their feet after the pandemic!

- Add your special year-end gift to the reply card and send it today.
- Give online anytime at hopeofthevalley.org.

Thank you for blessing others through this year-end challenge!
**Share your Blessings this Christmas**

**FILL THE TABLES**

Donate these foods for the thousands of meals we’ll serve throughout the holiday season. Please deliver them to **11076 Norris Ave. in Pacoima** in time for Christmas.

- turkeys
- ham
- boxes of stuffing
- bags of potatoes
- canned fruits and vegetables
- coffee
- creamer
- sugar

**GIVE GIFT CARDS**

Gift cards to these merchants allow us to purchase holiday gifts and year-round necessities for our guests. Simply mail or deliver them to **11076 Norris Ave. in Pacoima**.

- Walmart
- Target
- Amazon

**MEET URGENT NEEDS**

These items are a vital part of the Mission’s everyday operations and the comfort of our guests. Please drop off your donations at **11076 Norris Ave. in Pacoima**.

- garbage bags
- paper towels
- toilet paper
- laundry detergent
- cold cereal
- coffee
- pasta
- pasta sauce

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

- $20.50 to feed & care for 10 people
- $51.25 to feed & care for 25 people
- $75.85 to feed & care for 37 people
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- $_______ to help as much as possible

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