



Food...Shelter...Hope

Life is full of hope for Jamie Cornelius.

In a few weeks she will be moving from the Good Samaritan Rescue Mission into her own apartment, she's found her soul mate, and she has a grandchild on the way.

Getting to this point hasn't been easy for the 46-year-old. Life has certainly thrown her quite a few curve balls. Through it all, says Judi Bash, director of the Women's Shelter at the mission, she's faced all her trials and tribulations with a smile on her face. For that, she credits God.

"I try to keep a hold of God's word," Jamie said. "He's out there and he loves you. You have to keep him close." Keeping God close is something she's been doing on and off since she was a child, which wasn't easy for the youngster. Her mom was Catholic and her dad a Mormon. "We went to both churches," she said. "I was kind of confused, but tried to keep the faith."

Growing up Jamie did all things she was supposed to do, marrying, having children, and moving into a home. But it didn't last. While divorcing her husband, Jamie and her children were evicted from their home. With no place to go she was headed for the streets.

"I was feeling hopeless and scared," she said. "My ex-husband's cousin told me about the Good Samaritan Rescue Mission. She was staying there at the time." With kids in tow, she headed to the mission where she found warm beds for her and her children. She also found a woman named Penny who revived her faith in God.

Staff at the mission also put her on the track for a new home for the family through the HUD Housing Choice Voucher, a



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program administered through Mid-Michigan Community Action Center.

But there were more troubles ahead. She's landed in the hospital a couple times with respiratory failure, her mom died three years ago, and she lost three sisters and a brother to drugs. She was diagnosed with Post Traumatic Stress Disorder due to the family problems. Then she received a notice to quit from her landlord. Since it wasn't an eviction, she was still eligible for the HUD program. Not able to find a smaller place quick enough, Jamie once again headed to Good Samaritan Rescue Mission. This time around, Jamie is older and wiser.

"This time she is more focused on getting things done," said Judi Bash. She's saved money like she's supposed to, being accountable." It has all paid off. The inspection of the new home is scheduled in two weeks, she's found a home at First Church of the Nazarene, and someone who understands what she has gone through.

Jamie is the first to admit, she wouldn't be where she is now if it wasn't for the staff at the mission and her renewed faith in God. "I would be off track somewhere," she said. "God is good all the time."

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DIRECTOR'S DESK



"Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who according to His abundant mercy has begotten us again to a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead" 1 Peter 1:3(NKJV)

Food...Shelter...Hope

Ever since Mel Trotter set foot in the City of Saginaw, his goal was food...shelter...hope. He came to Saginaw with a burning passion to help people from their immediate trouble and the intent to share with them the message of a hope that could transform their life. Early pictures and records tell the compelling recount of the horse drawn gospel wagon rolling through the streets of Saginaw

picking up anyone interested for the evening meal and gospel service. One hundred and ten years later, Rescue Ministries of Mid-Michigan continues to fulfill the passion of our founder and the call of our Savior.

As was the case in 1905, we are beset by people needing help. Some are the victims of poverty, some are the results of bad choices, but all are in need of real hope. Food and shelter are the first two steps toward the end goal. Helping meet people where their most primary needs start, a place to lay their head at night in peace and safety without the pangs of hunger. These are our neighbors who have struggled with their personal value and purpose in life after facing rejection and depression almost daily. Then we can introduce our guests to a hope in life that transforms the values, decisions, and process of daily living. We are talking about leading people to THE HOPE that contains a joyful confidence and expectation, not a fleeting wish.

So as we near our 110th Anniversary celebration with Selah on October 24, 2015, it is with our feet firmly planted on the foundation of our founder's purpose joined with vision to impact lives in the challenges of the 21st century. Come join us as we continue and build on the legacy of care in Mid-Michigan.



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Room Sponsors

You have heard of the television show Extreme Makeover Home Edition. Right now Extreme Makeover Rescue Mission Edition is underway! The goal of the renovation is to have 10 efficiency style permanent housing rental units for low income single men. The project is funded by a grant received from the Federal Home Loan Bank of Pittsburg and the Serenus Johnson Construction Company is heading up the renovations. The grant only covers the renovations, and so we are seeking \$2,500 sponsors for each of the 10 rooms. Sponsorship will provide the furnishings and decorations needed for the opening of these rooms. Microwave, small refrigerator, bed frame and mattress, dresser, window coverings, love seat/chair are the one time expenditures needed for the opening of these rooms.

For more information on sponsoring a room contact Marlene Mika at 989-893-5973 ext. 221.

Samaritan Award & Highlights

Brian and Char Wieland avoid the spotlight or special recognition for all the ways they support the Mission so much, that mission staff members were afraid they would be upset when they surprised the couple with the much deserved Good Samaritan Award. As you see by the looks on their faces, they were surprised and 'very humbled'. Although uncomfortable and caught off guard, Brian was very gracious with his words upon accepting the award for both he and his wife, Char. "The Mission staff deserve this award, not us. We are shocked but very humbled by this and are always happy to be able to help when we can," said Brian.

Dan Streeter had this to say about the Wielands.
Brian and Char Wieland have been faithful volunteers for GSRM since the doors have opened. They possess a servant's heart to quietly and faithfully help people in need. They have spent much of their time assisting in the food service area of the ministry. We have been able to call upon them for huge needs and difficult tasks and they always find a way to help or find additional friends to join in helping. Their service can be best described as a humble heart wanting to be a blessing for people who need God's love and help.



Mission Needs

canned vegetables
canned fruit
coffee
cereal
various beverages
(kool-aid, lemonade)
pancake mix
syrup



Mission Statement:

"Expressing God's love by reaching out to the hurting and homeless of the Bay area by providing shelter and care, by developing a community of support, and by proclaiming the Gospel of Christ."



Thank You
110 Years of hope & care



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Rescue Ministries of Mid-Michigan Board of Directors honored Ken and Karen Streeter for 40 years of service.

The R3M Board of Directors recognizes your outstanding leadership, dedication, and service to Rescue Ministries of Mid-Michigan and to the hurting and homeless of our community. It is with our deepest appreciation that we want to thank you for your 40 years of service.



New Website

Check out our new look! Good Samaritan Rescue Mission updated our website. Visit the new site at www.gsrmbaycity.org and you'll be entered to win a Buffalo Wild Wings Gift Card!



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