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The House of Hope's Newsletter

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Hope Amplified in 2020

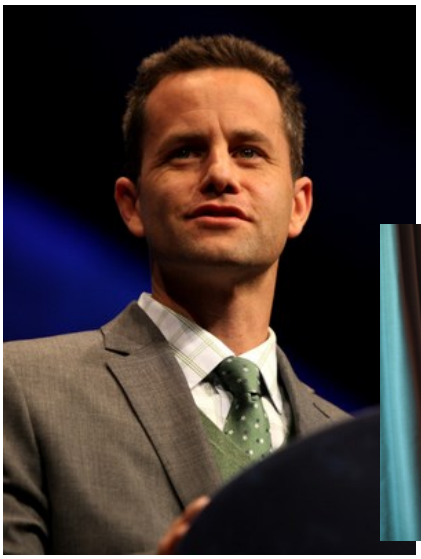
Proclaiming Christ in all We Do

Jeff Weatherford, In His Own Words

Hello, my name is Jeff Weatherford and this is my testimony. For most of my adult life, I have struggled with drugs and alcohol. My dad has been an alcoholic most of my life. He would come home from the bar and leave mini bottles on the coffee table. I would save them until the weekend and take them to a friend's to drink. This same friend introduced me to pot and I started smoking, drinking, and doing drugs at the age of 13. So, for the last 32 years I have been addicted to something, it hasn't been easy. I have lost pretty much everything; jobs, cars, my home and my family were all lost because of my addictions.

After being asked to leave my home by my now ex-wife, a friend of mine that I had been through another program with, told me about the House of Hope. After a few phone calls, they had a bed available for me and I came up September 15, 2017. I will be the first to admit that I didn't want to come, but I was tired of living the life I had been living and needed a change. It wasn't easy at first. The last program I had gone through was a 70-day program and this was going to be 9 to 12 months. My first thoughts were "what am I getting in to?!!" It didn't take long for me to realize that this was exactly where God wanted me to be. For the next year I buckled down and started getting my life back right with God as well as other areas. While at the House of Hope, I got my GED, graduated the Jobs for Life class, the RU program, and the Life Recovery program. My 9 to 12 month program turned into 17 months before I finally left.

Since leaving the house, it hasn't been perfect. I have some things that I am still dealing with. I left thinking that I had it all under control and took my focus off God. It didn't take me long to realize that I needed to refocus and get back on track. After resetting my priorities, I could see Him working in my life again. I was working for a man who I found out at the end of the job was a pastor. When we were done with the job, he asked if he could pray for me. I quickly said yes and he began praying about things that I never talked to him about. It was as if he had firsthand knowledge of things that I had been praying about for a while. That's when I realized that God wasn't done with me. I have a new outlook now and some direction that I didn't have long ago. There is even reconciliation going on with my family. I have the House of Hope to thank for this because without the things I learned while I was here, I don't know if I would have known where to turn. I praise God for all he is doing.



The Evening of Hope with Kirk Cameron and Anthony Evans

We are thrilled that Kirk Cameron and musician Anthony Evans, two men of God, are coming to speak (and sing) about how they have been used to **Amplify God** everyday. Please make sure you join us for this once in a lifetime opportunity on March 9th. General admission tickets are available at the Florence Center and through Ticketmaster. If you would like to be a sponsor, and come to the dinner before, please contact Julie at jmaxham@hofh.org or call 843-667-9000. We can't wait to see you at our annual fundraiser! It's going to be one for the books, don't miss out!

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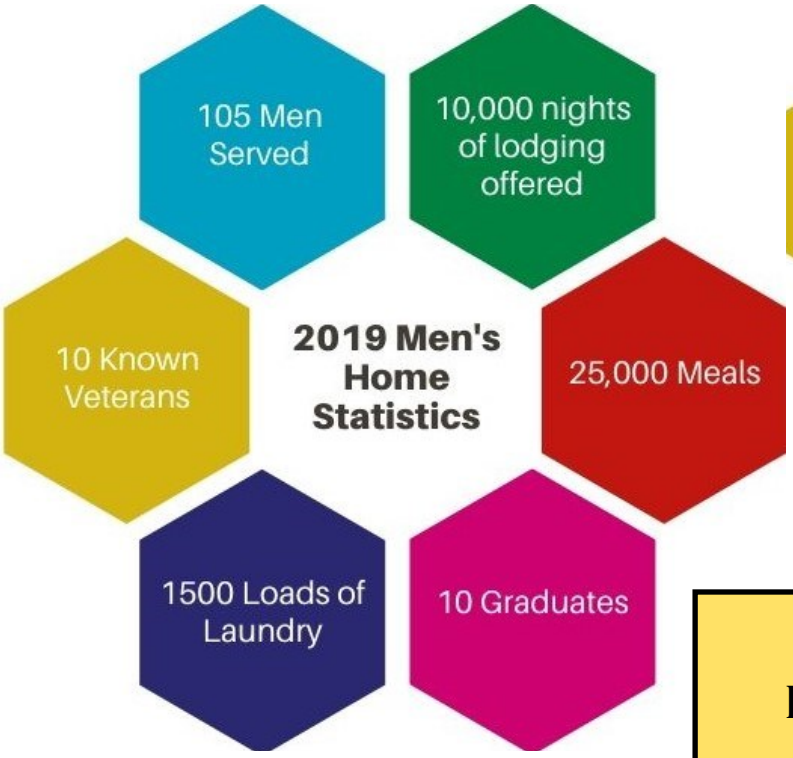
riches of this mystery, which is Christ

Look at all God accomplished through the House of Hope in 2019!



The most important work we do however, is share the Hope of the Gospel. To that end we had 53 confirmed salvations! Praise the Lord!

Hope Amplified—Bryan Braddock

When someone mentions your name, what is the first thing you want to come to mind? Do you want to be known as a great mom, a nice guy, a super dad, an athlete, a leader, or a servant? Don't we all truly want to be known for something that distinguishes us from others? I pondered these questions as I thought about the opportunities God has given the House of Hope over the last few years. Three years ago we added an emergency shelter, and this year we will add a tiny house village to our existing ministries for the local homeless. We are thankful to have such an amazing community of volunteers, donors, and staff. But what are we known for? What comes to mind when you hear the House of Hope mentioned? My earnest hope and prayer is that this one thing stands out above the rest: that Christ's love and life-changing salvation shines through in ALL we do at House of Hope. Our desire is for the Hope and glory of Christ to be amplified in all we do in our community. He is the reason we exist, because whatever we do for people in need, we are ultimately doing for Him!

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t in you, the HOPE of Glory. **Colossians 1:27**

Hey! That Looks Like Fun!

Ever think about volunteering at the House of Hope? Now is a great time to get involved! We are looking for people who are willing to be on a schedule, whether it's three times a week or once a month! Our front desks and Mission Marts can always use a helping hand. Go to our website at hofh.org to fill out an application!

NAME:_____

ADDRESS:_____

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PHONE NUMBER:_____

EMAIL ADDRESS: _____

YES, I/We would like to support The House of Hope and help the homeless.
I/We would like to contribute:

- ❑ $500.00 will provide shelter for five residents for one month
- ❑ $200.00 will provide transportation for eight residents for one month
- ❑ $100.00 will provide cleaning supplies and personal items for 1 month
- ❑ $_____ Other
- ❑ My company will match my gift.
- ❑ **I would like to be a LIGHT OF HOPE monthly giver.**
  I would like my gift drafted on
  - ❑ 1st or ❑ 15th of each month.
  - ❑ Use my credit card information below.
  - ❑ Use my voided check enclosed.

Payment by: ❑ Check to House of Hope ❑Visa /MasterCard ❑ Discover

Card #_____

Exp. Date_____ 3 Digit Security Code_____

Name as it appears on the card: _____

Signature: _____

To donate online visit www.hofh.org. Or Text "Homeless" to 73256 for text giving

Great Finds at the Mission Marts!

Who here loves thrift store shopping? I love finding the treasures that show up. Sometimes it's a name brand dress or slacks, or furniture that I can up-cycle or amazing items I can re-sell! The real professionals go every day or two to get the best stuff, and the rest of us have to depend on luck. In my case, I watch on the **House of Hope Mission Mart** page on Facebook, because our Social Media Manager, Joy Gowan, often posts pictures of treasures on that page that prompt me to pop in! As was the case for this adorable metal service station that showed up there back in August! It's clearly a mid-century metal toy that are all the rage. I hurried over to the Palmetto Street Mission Mart and snatched it up for the low price of $10! I looked it up on eBay and found them listed for over $95! I decided to sell it locally and sold it the next day for $45! Not bad for a day's work. Wouldn't it be fun to do that for a living!? The other picture is a before and after of a piece I up-cycled this summer. Can you believe that this cute table was only $15 at the Mission Mart? I love how it turned out and thankfully for my creative side, I can pick these up pretty regularly. So don't forget to stop in at the Mission Marts for all the best finds!

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