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YOU HELPED TRUMAN FIND "A LITTLE BIT OF HEAVEN ON EARTH."

"GOD GAVE ME ANOTHER CHANCE."

Abandoned by his mother as an infant, Truman was raised by an adoptive family but always looked for a place to belong. He entered into a relationship with a woman in Nebraska and followed her to Indiana, where she had family.

When the relationship faltered, Truman decided to go home. But the day before he planned to leave, he was arrested and spent the next seven months in jail. Surprisingly, that was the beginning of a new life for Truman.

Keep reading Truman's story inside ➔

TRUMAN'S "LITTLE BIT OF HEAVEN" *continued from cover*

While he was in jail, Truman renewed his relationship with the Lord. "I was serving God," he says. "I was reading the Bible and talking to people about Jesus Christ." As his release date approached, he prayed, **"Lord, send me to a place where Your word is spoken, somewhere that has Christians around, somewhere where I can hear Your music. I want to go to church."**

God answered Truman's prayer by leading him to the Grant County Rescue Mission. Confident that God was making a way for him, Truman quickly secured a job at the Café Valley Bakery in Marion. He bought a used electric bike to get to work, and soon upgraded to a car.

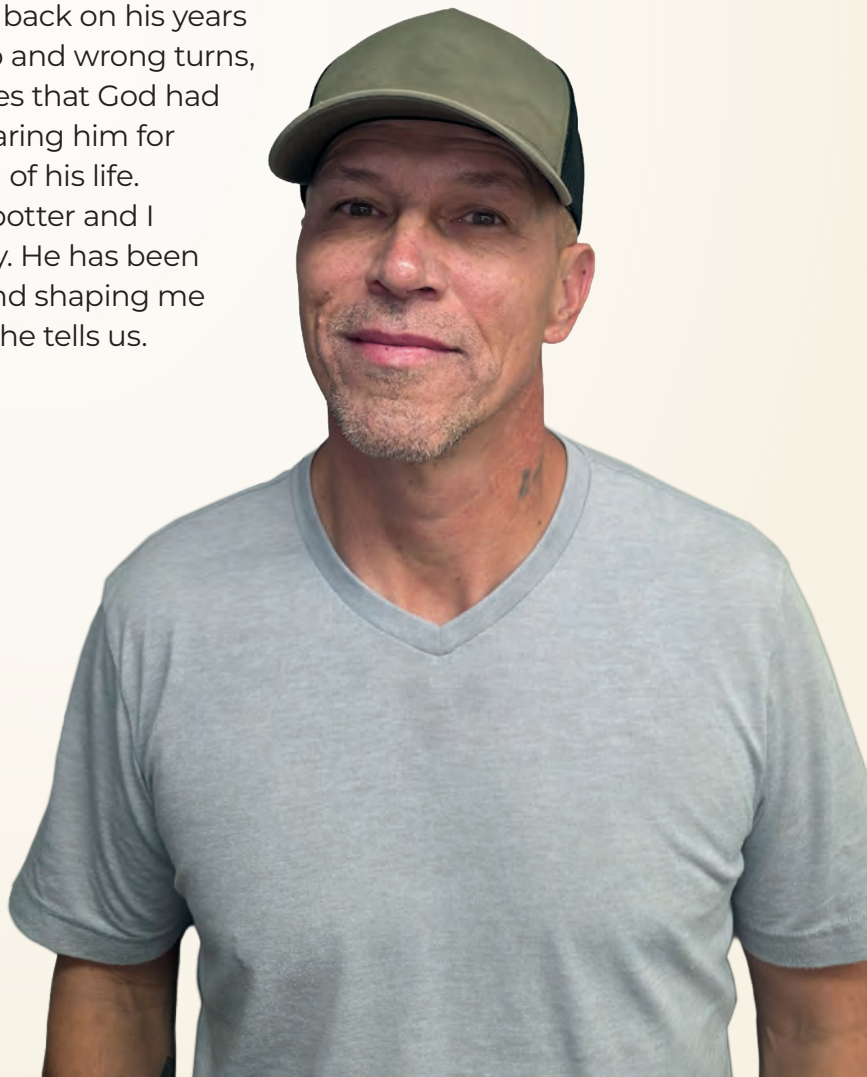
Today, Truman is thriving in his job and looking toward a future career as a truck driver. He is a father of four grown children and a proud grandfather as well. However, Truman is first and foremost a dedicated follower of Jesus Christ. Being at the Grant County Rescue Mission gives him the ideal opportunity to share his faith and encourage newcomers to the program.

"I tell them, 'You got to get a job; you got to do what you need to do. But don't forget that God is the one doing it for you. And don't give up. **If you still got breath in you, God has a purpose for you.'"**

Looking back on his years of hardship and wrong turns, Truman sees that God had been preparing him for this season of his life. "He is the potter and I am the clay. He has been molding and shaping me all my life," he tells us.

"God gave me another chance," Truman says. "I prayed, 'Lord, send me to a place where you are.' He brought me right here to a place where they have a Christian program for people, and I get to speak about the word of God and to pray with a lot of people. It's a little bit of heaven on earth, even if it's a shelter."

Thank you for making this "little bit of heaven" available for all those who need to find their place in God's plan.



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ANOTHER GREAT BREAKFAST BENEFIT ON THE BOOKS



We were once again blessed with great weather for our 35th Annual Fly-in/Cruise-in Pancake Breakfast on September 5. We also had a great turnout of folks who came for the all-you-can-eat pancakes and sausages and stayed to enjoy a spectacular display of more than 300 cars, 100 planes, 75 motorcycles, 25 tractors, 10 Polaris Slingshots, and six autocycles. Many attendees also experienced the thrill of a ride in the New Standard Bi-plane.

We owe a world of thanks to our sponsors, volunteers, and everyone who came to support the Grant County Rescue Mission. **Lives change here because you care!**

3,083 BREAKFASTS SERVED

- **250** gallons of pancake batter
- **9,000** sausages cooked
- **200** dedicated volunteers
- **OVER 516** vintage tractors, cars, trucks, airplanes, and motorcycles

















Rev. Brad D. Terhune
Executive Director/CEO

THE BEST GIFT OF ALL

Dear Friends in Ministry,

What was the best Christmas gift you ever got? Maybe you found a brand-new bike or the latest video game under the tree when you were a kid. Or it may have been a treasure handmade by your child or grandchild.

The best gift of all is something you can't buy or make in art class. You can't wrap it in shiny paper and tie it up with ribbon. But you give it every time you support the Grant County Rescue Mission.

It's the gift of hope. Most everyone who comes to our doors is all out of hope. They can't see beyond their immediate needs: a meal and a bed for the night. But the compassionate care you help provide kindles a spark of hope that lights their way to brighter days ahead.

With hope, everything is possible. Freedom from addiction. Restored relationships. Lasting stability. And a friendship with Jesus Christ that never ends.

Please give hope to a neighbor in need this holiday season. Your gift to the Grant County Rescue Mission will make a big difference. Shopping at our Thrift Stores is another great way to support our ministry. Our Marion Thrift Store is moving to a new location to serve you better; watch for more details.

Thank you for all you do. Merry Christmas!

YEAR-END PLANNED GIVING OPPORTUNITIES

There are many ways you can make an eligible year-end contribution to the Grant County Rescue Mission:

- Cash
- Check
- Property
- Credit card
- Liquidated stock
- NAP credit donations
- Contributions from IRAs
- In-kind building materials
- Donor Advised Funds donations
- Local church and local missions contributions
- Community foundation endowment donations

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