

2020 Memorials

In Loving Memory

Alice Haywood

Ann Boyd

Bertha Tedsen

Brett Goldsby

Jerry Scott

Larry Zuber

Robert Renner

Sister Cecile Bertheau

anonymous

Adrian Wantt Sr.

Agnes Brassfield

Audry Beeson

Dorothy Lincoln

Frances Eleanor McDaniels

Linda Downe

Patricia Sherman

Romeo Avarez

Janice Yerton

Floyd Myers

Mary Myers

Ida Newell

Daniel and Janis Estevo

Daniel and Nancy Marchetti

Donald and Nancy Quintrell

Edwin Cox

Floyd Bonino

Jane Nelson

Linda Beatty

Nancy Allen

Orlando Giannini Jr

William and Georgette Eastland

Lana Angelel

Larry Angelel

Jan Niclai

Judy Santsche

Lois Schatz

Alan and Connie Jorgensen

Ken Wallan

Linda Wall

Margaret Werren

Bob and Sandy Sathrum

Thomas and Wendy DeFreitas

Elizabeth Woods

Nellie Hanson

Haline Sundet

Sigrid Weir

Family and Friends

Keith and Terry Blumer

Bob and Sandy Sathrum

Dwight Clark

Eureka Rescue Mission Auxiliary

Karen Oncken

Marlys Seitzer

Haline Sundet

Tom Burns

Kelly Livingston

Winfred Grissom

Edwin Cox

Eureka Rescue Mission

Rebuilding Broken Lives... One Life at a Time

CHANGED LIVES

Serving Our Community Since 1967

Holiday meals at the Mission

Holiday meals at the Mission were definitely different this year but nevertheless a complete success overall. We served a total of 664 holiday meals and provided a total of 207 holiday food boxes for families in our local community and surrounding areas. Thankfully we had good weather on Thanksgiving and Christmas and everyone got to enjoy some really tasty food! The only thing missing was the communal mealtime of sitting around tables and fellowshiping together. Hopefully this year we can get beyond all of these restrictions and back to normal in our nation. All of us are getting pretty restless because of the restrictions, and hope for an end to this flu virus very soon. Thank you to all of our supporters for all that you do in supporting this ministry of changing lives, without you we could not continue helping the less fortunate in our community. They are able to have food, shelter, hot showers, counseling and a warm place to sleep because God uses you to meet their needs. Thank you again and we pray that you have a very Happy New Year!

Change you helped provide in 2020

The statistics below are from our Men's Shelter as well as our Women and Children's Shelter for the year of 2020. We offer many additional services, beyond what is listed below.

We Lodged
41,115
people in our
various services

We Served
145,674
meals in our
facilities

We Provided
41,486
showers
to those in need

We Provided
28,380
pieces
of clothing
to those in need



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In His Presence

Each year at the Women and Children's Shelter we make sure that the Christmas celebration is focused on Christ's birth. Of course it's fun for the kids to tear open presents, and to be excited over the gifts "Santa" brought but many times, folks don't even realize that Christmas is not all about presents, it's about His PRESENCE. Holidays can be extremely difficult for those that have mostly lost everything already, but it brings good cheer when you know the true meaning of Christmas, the birth of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. This past year has definitely been a challenging year for many people having lost their homes, jobs, businesses, family members and friends, and unfortunately much more. Holding on tightly to hope and faith were the only things that helped some to keep moving forward. We witnessed many people in our mission family sink into depression and despair during this past year when things were already hard enough.



However, we serve a Mighty God who is able and willing to turn the sense of doom and gloom into hope and joy. We as a team were able to pour the love of Jesus Christ into the lives of each and every single person in our shelters. God gave us the strength to stand firm in our Faith and He used staff and community members to demonstrate His love. In spite of the worldwide flu virus, our community pulled together and made this Christmas more merry and bright than any other Christmas we have witnessed. Our Women and Children's Shelter Director, Kristen Freeman said, "I am overwhelmed by everyone who reached out to the Women and Children's Shelter to support this ministry. From businesses, families, individuals and even corporations, all came together making it amazing for the children in our community." We heard from different mothers that this year was by far the best Christmas they had ever experienced with their children. There were more than enough gifts for each child, but the real work is that God penetrated the hearts of the ladies at the shelter. They said they felt the love and presence of Jesus. Children in our community donated their time by making gifts, cookies, blankets and so much more. We are so thankful to be a part of this loving community and our hope is that this New Year will be a time of true repentance for our country. Blessings to you all in Christ!

Christmas Toy Giveaway

It is with great joy to report to you that the Christmas 2020 toy giveaway was a huge success at the Women and Children's Shelter! Through God's loving grace and mercy, 556 children were blessed by this year's toy distribution! Our wonderful community and United Bikers of Northern California provided all of the toys that we needed in order to completely fulfill the need. It was definitely a slow distribution at the beginning, however, once our friend Nazy Javid with North Coast News came down to the Men's Shelter and got the word out to the community, folks started pouring in to receive gifts for their kiddos. We were very careful in following protocol as far as social distancing, facemasks, hand sanitizer, and gloves throughout the two-day process. It just goes to show how faithful God is, that even in the midst of a pandemic full of uncertainty, He is still able and willing to meet all of our needs. The Bible says that God will never leave us nor forsake us and He has shown this to be completely true. It is such a blessing that even in the middle of this flu virus, these beautiful little children in our community and surrounding communities



were still able to have a very merry Christmas. We would like to thank every single person that helped make Christmas 2020 happen for so many kids and families, may God bless every single one of you. Through this upcoming year, may we all stand strong in our Faith, even in the midst of times of uncertainty. One thing we do know is that we can count on Jesus Christ who is the same yesterday, today and forever. May God richly bless you and we pray that you have a very Happy New Year!

I once was lost but now I'm found.

Before Andrew came to the

Eureka Rescue Mission he didn't believe in God, was completely broken, lost, and disconnected from his family who didn't want anything to do with him at all. He had no place to go and had absolutely no direction in his life due to drug abuse. Andrew was facing a whopping 8 years in prison but fortunately someone told him that the Eureka Rescue Missions' New Life Discipleship Program had openings, which if he entered, could save his life. Andrew said, "I figured I've tried everything else so I'll give it a shot." Sure enough, he entered the program, received Jesus as his Lord and Savior and successfully graduated. Andrew said, "My life has completely changed since being in the program and getting to know the Lord, I've been blessed in so many ways, I've found real friends who care about me. I have also been able to take care of medical issues, gotten my teeth fixed and gotten glasses so I can finally see. All of these things would have never happened if I didn't find Jesus. Since I graduated the program I got my drivers license for the first time and just bought my first car." Andrew's relationship with his family has been fully restored and he now is able to speak with them on a daily basis. In addition, he was searching for employment and landed a full time job at Lithia Dodge in Eureka as a Service Technician! We asked Andrew if he would like to share anything with our supporters and he said, "So many things have happened since I found this program and built my relationship with God, it's undeniable that God is real and I'm proud to say he is my Lord and Savior! Thank you to all who support this ministry, you helped change my life!"



Meet Ron Idler

I originally came to the mission in 2011 from Spokane WA. I had moved here with my daughter.

Due to circumstances, we became homeless and went our separate ways. Over some time I found the Eureka Rescue Mission. It seemed like my life choices were getting me nowhere and I was very unhappy, depressed, hopeless, and scared. I had found out the mission had a program that could help me get on my feet and introduce me to a new life in Christ. I joined the program but had many health issues and was on some serious pain meds. In reality, I was still on drugs and I really didn't put too much effort into making any real life changes. Long story short, I graduated from the program and immediately went back to Spokane and my addiction. I've been hospitalized for suicide attempts and in and out of jail over the years. I got involved in a toxic relationship that lasted about 7 years and chased this relationship up and down the West Coast fueled by whatever drug or drink I could put in me. During this time I picked up my first prison sentence. While in prison I started reading the Bible, going to church services and got baptized. I started praying and seeking guidance and upon release, I was let out to be homeless in San Diego. So at one point, my daughter got ahold of me and said she needed my help which brought me back to Eureka. Upon my arrival, I found myself homeless again and staying at the mission. After about a week of getting sick and finding myself drifting into despair, I rejoined the Eureka Rescue Mission New Life Program again. During this year I developed a personal relationship with Christ and found my identity in Him alone. I am so grateful for the Eureka Rescue Mission. This place truly does change lives. When I let go of the doubt and insecurity and put my trust in the Lord He gave me my heart's desires. I now have my own place and feel that I am stable in my life. There is no doubt in my mind God is real and I could never repay the kindness, love, and acceptance the Eureka Rescue Mission's Men's New Life Discipleship Program has shown me. Thank you all and God bless. Matthew 25:35, for I, was hungry and you gave Me food; I was thirsty and you gave Me drink; I was a stranger and you took Me in.

